

February 21st, 1918.

Meeting minutes, etc.

It is decided in MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

February 21st, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- Town Planning Board.
- Jennings and Preston Streets Dump.
- Permit to Move.
- Laundries - Chinese Laundries.
- Bond or Insurance Policy for Licensed Taxi Autos.
- Estimates - Printing and Stationary Account.
- Oxford Street Building Line - Chas. A. Merritt.
- British Red Cross society Grant of \$2,000.00.
- Patriotic Fund - City's contribution.
- Assessment Plan of City - Progress payment H.B. Pickings.
- Loan for Purchase of Tramway Company Poles.
- Unexpected Balances Account.
- Superannuation of Firemen.
- Fire Department Superannuation Fund.
- Votes for Corporations.
- City Home Officials Superannuation.
- Junk License Morris Goldberg.
- City Electrician.
- Tracey Liquor Investigation..
- Salary Acting City Engineer.
- Gratuity to Family of John Spruin.
- Drainage No. 143 Gottingen Street - A. R. Richards.
- Taxation System.
- Bell's Lane - Narrowing of Thoroughfare.
- Coal Weighers.

TOWN PLANNING BOARD.

R. M. Hattie, Secretary of the Town Planning Board appeared before this Board and requested, under the authority of sub-section (3), section 3, chapter 3, Acts 1915, that J. H. Winfield be added to the Town Planning Board as a "ratepayer" member.

The Board now consists of three representatives of the City Council and two Ratepayers.

It is decided to recommend to City Council that Mr. Winfield be appointed a "Ratepayer" member of the Board.

Mr. Hattie asked for an appropriation from the City of \$500.00 to meet expenses of the Town Planning Board including preliminary cost of preparing scheme and pub-

*B/C ✓
Not sent to
Council
see B/C minutes
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lishing notices, etc.

It is decided not to recommend such a grant at present.

JENNINGS AND PRESTON STREETS DUMP.

Alderman Gillis complained of the dumping of tin cans and refuse instead of clean ashes at the dump on Jennings and Preston Streets.

PERMIT TO MOVE.

Alderman Gillis suggested that a law be instituted providing that no person be allowed to move his furniture, goods, chattles, stock, in trade or business, from one location to another without a written permit from the City Assessor. With such a law persons now unknown and not assessed would be found out and the Assessor would have an opportunity to assess them.

LAUNDRIES - CHINESE LAUNDRIES.

Alderman Gillis suggested that Chinese Laundries should each pay a special tax or license fee.

The City Solicitor pointed out that Chinese laundries could not be singled out from other laundries as a subject of taxation.

The Solicitor is instructed to draft an Act imposing a license fee of \$50.00 on each laundry.

BOND OR INSURANCE POLICY FOR LICENSED TAXI AUTOS.

Alderman Gillis asked that a regulation be provided to prevent reckless driving of dilapidated taxi automobiles by irresponsible licensed drivers who have old cars of other owners. He suggested that no license be issued for a car which is not insured or for which the owner cannot put up a guarantee company bond.

Referred to the City Solicitor.

ESTIMATES - PRINTING AND STATIONERY ACCOUNT.

The City Auditor asked that the sum of \$2500.00 be added to the estimates to cover deficit in Printing and

Engineer ✓

B/C ✓
Solicitor ✓

B/C ✓
Solicitor ✓

Solicitor ✓

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Stationery Account. The item is passed.

The City Auditor is requested by Controller Murphy to prepare a detailed schedule showing how the deficit is made up.

OXFORD STREET BUILDING LINE - CHAS. A. MERRITT.

Moved by Controller Murphy that the City Auditor be authorized to pay out of appropriation for streets the sum of \$125.00 ordered by City Council, February 7th, 1918, to be refunded to Chas. A. Merritt as a recompense for moving his dwelling back to conform to the Oxford Street building line, and if there are any difficulties in the matter to consult with the City Solicitor. Motion passed.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY GRANT OF \$2,000.00.

The sum of \$2,000.00 the amount of the City's grant to the funds of the British Red Cross Society Funds - see printed minutes City Council November 8th, 1917 page 264 - is ordered to be added to the Estimates 1918-19.

PATRIOTIC FUND - CITY'S CONTRIBUTION.

Controller Finlay reported that the Treasurer of the Canadian Patriotic Fund is asked for another instalment of \$10,000.00 of the City's contribution to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, and that they need \$5,000.00 of it immediately. It is decided to at once pay over an instalment of \$5,000.00.

ASSESSMENT PLAN OF CITY - PROGRESS PAYMENT H. B.

PICKINGS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
February 19th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Certificate #3.

I beg to recommend payment to H. B. Pickings of the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1800.00) on account on his contract for an assessment plan of the City of Halifax.

Estimated value of work completed	\$6300.00
20% retained	1260.00
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Paid on certificates 1 and 2	\$5040.00
	3240.00
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Balance recommended.....	\$1800.00

Council Auditor ✓

Engineer Clerk & Works Auditor ✓

Council ✓

Auditor Treasurer ✓

City works ✓

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

The account is passed for payment.

LOAN FOR PURCHASE OF TRAMWAY COMPANY POLES.

Read report City Treasurer as follows:-

Halifax, February 19th, 1918.

His Worship Mayor Martin
and Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report, as ordered, in re loan of \$10,800
(\$10,788. actually) made for the expropriation of Tram
Company Poles.

This sum was borrowed by resolution of Council, June
6th, 1912, from F. B. McCurdy & Co., at .93 of par, int-
erest 4% to be repaid July 1st, 1945, under sec. 55, chap.
27, acts 1896, (equal to 4.41%).

October 5th, 1916, by direction of Controller McKeen
and under the advice of City Solicitor, as read to your
Board, the money was drawn from the general account and
paid into the 1902 Sinking Fund account.

By arrangement with the Royal Bank the City is allowed
4% on its surplus deposits and charged 5% on its over-
drafts. As the City is generally the borrower it follows
that if a special deposit receipt were had fro this amount
4% would be paid by the Bank, but as this amount was right-
ly placed by the late Treasurer, in my opinion in the gen-
eral account, it was actually earning 5% for the ratepayers
by lessening the overdraft by that amount.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Filed.

UNEXPENDED BALANCES ACCOUNT.

Controller Murphy suggested that legislation be se-
cured to provide that unexpended balances from/^{fixed}current
yearly appropriations should not go into the so-called un-
expended Balances Fund but be applied in following years
more directly towards the reduction in amount of assessment
for like particular purposes for which they were originally
estimated.

Referred to the City Treasurer and City Solicitor
for report.

SUPERANNUATION OF FIREMEN.

Read report Controller Hines, as follows:-

Treasurer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓

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Halifax, N. S., February 19th, 1918.

His Worship Mayor Martin and
Members of Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In view of the change to be made in the Fire Dept. I beg to recommend that in accordance with Sec. 768, City Charter, Patrick Monaghan, Driver, Engine Bedford Row, John Hennessey, Driver at Quinpool Road House, injured in the service, and Joseph Johnson, Driver at Isle-ville House, injured by the recent explosion, be superannuated at the rate of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per year and that legislation be obtained to authorize that amount less that paid by Firemens' Superannuation Fund.

Patrick Monaghan, age sixty-seven (67) has twenty five (25) years service in the Permanent force, having been appointed in 1893. The Firemens Superannuation Fund will pay \$134.64 per year.

John Hennessey, age sixty-five (65) has twenty five (25) years service in the Permanent Force and sixteen (16) years on the volunteer force, having joined the Department in 1877; a period of forty-one years. The Fire- mens Superannuation Fund will pay \$108.13 per year.

Joseph Johnson, age sixty-four (64) has twenty five (25) years service in the Permanent force and eighteen (18) years in the Volunteer force, having joined the Department in 1875, a period of forty-three (43) years. The Firemen's Superannuation Fund will pay \$117.26 per year.

J. J. Hines,
Controller.

Approved and the following amounts ordered to be added to the Estimates:-

Superannuation Patrick Monaghan	\$365.36
do John Hennessey	391.87
do Joseph Johnson	382.74

The City Solicitor is instructed to draft legis- lation to legalize the assessment for the above purpose.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPERANNUATION FUND.

Controller Finlay, Controller Hines and the City Solicitor are requested to prepare an amendment to the Firemen's Superannuation Fund to provide that the amount of pension to be received shall be based on the average salary for last three years instead of an average salary for full period of contributions to the fund.

VOTES FOR CORPORATIONS.

Read report and Resolution Council of the Board of

Trade, as follows:-

*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓*

*Cont. Finlay ✓
Cont. Hines ✓
Solicitor ✓
Council ✓*

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Office of Board of Trade,
Halifax, February 21st, 1918.

To His Worship Mayor Martin and
Members of the Board of Control,
C i t y.

Gentlemen:-

I herewith enclose copy of resolution submitted by Special Committee on Taxation to the Council of this Board of Trade on Tuesday last, and unanimously adopted by the latter.

The object of the resolution is to place Halifax in keeping with other cities of Canada that grant a similar franchise.

I might further say that the request limits the franchise to one vote in only one ward where the corporation pay s taxes - said vote to be cast by a fully accredited representative, elected by the Corporation as such.

Trusting you will give this matter your favorable consideration and that it may be attended to at the present sitting of the Local Legislature.

I have the honor, Sirs, to be

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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Resolution unanimously passed by the Council of the Halifax Board of Trade - Tuesday, Feb. 19th, 1918.

WHEREAS the Civic Franchise is not now extended to incorporated companies, although a large part of the civic taxes are paid by incorporated companies, and,

WHEREAS the practice of incorporating business firms will undoubtedly continue to grow and an increasingly greater number of the Tax payers be prevented from having a vote in Civic affairs, and,

WHEREAS any form of Civic Government which permits the possibility of the Taxes being paid by one class in the community and the control of the expenditure thereof vested in another, is unsound, it is therefore

RESOLVED that the City Charter should be amended in such manner as may be necessary to extend the Civic Franchise to an accredited representative of every incorporated company doing business in its own name, within the City of Halifax, if such company is incorporated under the Laws of the Dominion of Canada or any Province thereof and is assessable for Taxes under the City Act.

Approved and the City Solicitor instructed to draft and submit to the Board legislation applicable to the situation.

Submitted Council

*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
Secretary ✓
Board of Trade ✓*

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CITY HOME OFFICIALS SUPERANNUATION.

The following amounts are ordered to be added to the estimates -

Superannuation B. J. Mulcahy, Superintendent	City Home	\$560.00
do Wm. O'Connell, Attendent No. 2	Male Ward, City Home	280 .00
do Michael Cambell, attendant No. 4	Male Ward, City Home	273. 28

*Solicitor
Council*

The City Solicitor is instructed to draft legislation to legalize the assessment for the above purpose.

JUNK LICENSE MORRIS GOLDBERG.

Read application Morris Goldberg for a license to carry a business as a Junk Dealer at Nos. 45-47 Upper Water Street.

Cont. Taylor

Referred to Controller Taylor for report.

CITY ELECTRICIAN.

Read report Controller Murphy, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
February 21st, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In a report bearing date of the 4th I recommended that some change be made whereby the City Electrician would devote himself entirely to the City's work. I feel satisfied the members of the Board and Council will agree as to the advisability of this change and, in order to if possible put it into effect, I have recommended that a sufficient amount be added to that already paid, to bring the salary of the City Electrician to \$2,000.00 per year.

In reaching this recommendation it was necessary to take into consideration the length of service which Mr. Colpitt, the present occupant, has with the City, as well as the work of the Department.

Council

I feel it is absolutely necessary that the change recommended be made, as the City has immediately before it so many questions bearing on its public utilities as to require the entire study and attention of this official.

John Murphy,
Controller.

Filed.

TRACEY LIQUOR INVESTIGATION.

Read letters (2) Social Service Council, as follows:-

February 21st, 1918.

The Social Service Council of N. S.,
Halifax, N. S., February 20, 1918.

To The Honorable the
Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

Replying to yours of the 14th inst I am instructed to write you again and say that we think that you have altogether missed the point in our communications asking for an investigation before a County Judge of the matters referred to in our former communications. We are not so particularly interested in the charge that liquor was stolen from the Inspector's room, although that is a serious enough matter. What we are insisting on for the sake of the good name of the City is that the charges of intoxication made against City Officials be investigated before a County Judge.

We would like to know whether the Board of Control is through with the investigation of the matter so far as it is concerned and whether or not it refuses to call for such an investigation as we have requested.

This Social Service Council considers the matter too serious to allow it to pass without being properly investigated. If officials have been guilty of misconduct they should be dismissed; if not, they should be exonerated.

We would also like to know whether or not our letter of January 21st to the City Council which is the body that must act in this matter has ever been presented to that body.

On behalf of the Social Service Council;

F. E. Barrett,
Secretary.

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The Social Service Council of N. S.,
Halifax, February 20th, 1918.

The City Council.
Honorable Sirs:-

It may be that we are not familiar as we would be with the method of procedure at City Hall, but the Council feel that common courtesy should have brought at least some reply from the Council to our communication of January 21st, enclosing a resolution of the Social Service Council asking the City Council to take the necessary steps required by the City Charter for the investigation of serious charges which have been made in the public press against certain city officials.

These charges publicly made and widely circulated should be either proven or disproven before a competent court. Until this is done the whole City Council is under the shadow of a disgrace that though it may be denied is not disproven.

On a two thirds vote of the City Council supporting the resolution the case would be properly investigated before a County Court Judge. We earnestly urge upon the

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members of the City Council that for their own sakes and for the sake of the good name of the city they at once take the course we have indicated.

On thehalf of the Social Service Council.

F. E. Barrett,
Secretary.

On motion of Controller Murphy it is ordered that the letter addressed to the City Council be referred to that body. In respect to the ltter addressed to the Board of Control the Secretary is instructed to acknowledge its receipt and to write the Social Service Council that the Board of Control with the assistance of the City Solicitor, F. H. Bell, K. C., and R. H. Murray, K. C., have presented as far as they are justifiable a searching inquiry into such matters as have come to their notice and that any finding on the result of the inquiry has not yet been arriaved at. Without announcing it as their final decision the Board in the meantime deem the circumstances warrant them in considering it unnecessary to proceed further.

SALARY ACTING CITY ENGINEER .

Read letter City Auditor, as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
Halifax, February 20th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

After consulting with the City Solicitor in the matter of the Acting Engineer's salary, I find that the matter in dispute can be entirely removed by a decision of your Board.

Mr. Doane has drawn \$185.00 per month, or at the rate of \$2220.00 per year.

If this amount is ordered by your Board as final whether Mr. Doane is paid more or less by the Military Department I shall then have in the current year \$280.00 extra pay the Acting City Engineer; and consequently if \$3020.00 is placed in the Estimates for 1918-19, I shall have sufficient to pay him \$3300.00 for next year.

W. W. Foster,
City Auditor.

Approved and the City Auditor authorized to dispense the appropriations as outlined in his letter so that the

*Rev. F. E. Barrett ✓
Council ✓*

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Acting City Engineer will be paid at the rate of \$3300. per year as intended by the sums voted.

Auditor ✓
Acting Engineer ✓
Council ✓

GRATUITY TO FAMILY OF HOHN SPRUIN:

On motion of Controller Hines, the City Solicitor is instructed to draft legislation providing for a gratuity of \$500.00 to be paid Mrs. Lynch, daughter of John Spruin, a veteran fireman who was killed while responding to an alarm of fire with the Fire Department on the morning of the explosion, December 6th, the amount to be included in the assessment for 1918-19.

Solicitor ✓
Council ✓

DRAINAGE NO 143 GOTTINGEN STREET - A. R. RICHARDS.

Read report City Health Board, as follows:-

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, February 21st, 1918.

From: Secretary City Health Board.
To: Mayor & Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to notify you that A. R. Richards, 37 North Park Street has neglected to comply with the orders of the Board of Health after being notified to provide a proper drainage system at No. 143 Gottingen Street.

I am directed by the City Health board in session on Wednesday, February 30th, to request that you take action to have the necessary work carried out in accordance with section 854 of the City Charter, Mr. Richards being willing that this be done.

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

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

TAXATION SYSTEM.

On motion of Controller Murphy, Controller Finlay is requested to report in writing as to whether in his opinion Chapter 39 of the Acts of 1916 relating to Taxation in the City of Halifax should be brought into force and put into active operation.

Cont Finlay ✓
Secty Board ✓
of Trade ✓

The Secretary is instructed to write the Board of Trade requesting that the proper Committee from that body may be pleased to meet with this board to discuss the subject at the earliest date convenient to them.

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BELL'S LANE - NARROWING OF THOROUGHFARE.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Solicitor is instructed to draft legislation extending for one year to the Halifax Central Realities Limited the privileges granted them under an agreement between them and the City ratified by Section 24, Chapter 84 Acts 1917, in respect to the narrowing of Bell Street between Argyle Street and ^{Barrington} Buckingham Street.

*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
J. W. Regan ✓*

COAL WEIGHERS.

Read report Coal Weighers for the month of January showing each man to have received for the month \$101.49.

Council ✓

Referred to City Council for its information.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin

P. F. Martin.
MAYOR.

J. W. Regan
CITY CLERK.

COMMISSION OF HEAD TAX, ST. JOHN, N. S.
Hon. Mayor City Chamberlain, St. John, N. S. re
the collection of the head tax on that City from non-
residents, as follows: enclosing a copy of the St. John
Act:-
Treasury Dept., City of St. John,
February 21st, 1918.
R. Thickett, Esq.,
City Collector, Halifax, N. S.
Dear Sir:-
Enclosed please find copy of by-law relating to
Business Lic. etc. The collection of fees under this
law has caused lots of trouble.
At present we have a license inspector who is paid
10¢ on his collections.
In year 1917 the revenue from this source was
only \$1,710, while in the year 1915, under the control
of the Police Department, the police being paid the same
commission as the Inspector, the revenue from licenses
was \$6,550.00.
I have tried, but without success, to have the license
collector collect the fees on a percentage basis, as I
believe this to be the only way the City can retain the

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

February 25th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell and Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- Collection of head tax St. John, N. B.
- Infectious Diseases Hospital.
- Oiling of Streets.
- Horse Sweepers for Paved Streets.
- Gratuity to Widows of Firemen.
- Water Meters.
- Police Appointments.
- Motor Vehicles - Reckless Driving.
- Poles in Streets
- Perquisites of Officials.
- Salary Superintendent City Home.
- Explosion Accounts \$16,347.98.
- Bill Board Quinpool Road.
- Tenements in Narrow Lanes.
- Health Board Estimates.
- City Clerk's Salary.
- Military Guards Devastated Area.
- Stenographers' Salaries.

COLLECTION OF HEAD TAX, ST. JOHN, N. B.

Read letter City Chamberlain, St. John, N. B. re the collection of the head tax in that City from non-residents, as follows; covering a copy of the St. John Act:-

Treasury Dept., City of St. John,
February 21st, 1918.

R. Theakston, Esq.,
City Collector, Halifax. N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Inclosed please find copy of bye-law relating to Business Law, etc., The collection of fees under this Law has caused lots of trouble.

At present we have a License Inspector who is paid 10% on his collections.

In year 1917 the revenue from this source was only \$1,910., while in the year 1913, under the control of the Police Department, the police being paid the same commission as the Inspector, the revenue from Licenses was \$5,660.00.

I have tried, but without success, to have the Labor Societies collect the fees on a percentage basis, as I believe this is the only way the City can obtain the Lic-

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enses on all laborers.

I trust the above is the information you desire,
and am,

George McKinnon,
Chamberlain.

Filed.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

Dr. N. E. McKay, Chairman of the City Health Board appeared before the Board and stated that tenders for the construction of a temporary Infectious Diseases Hospital on the City Home property had been received by the Relief Commission, the lowest tender being about \$27,000. Of this amount the Relief Commission offer to give the City outright a grant of \$10,000.00 towards the cost. The City has a claim against the Commission of about \$8,000.00 for damages to the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rock Head so that if this arrangement was acceptable to the City, the City would only have to finance about \$9,000.00 of the total cost of the proposed structure.

It is decided to recommend the approval of this arrangement to the City Council.

OILING OF STREETS.

Read extract minutes of City Council February 14th, as follows:-

"Alderman Kelly asked that the Board of Control consider the amending of the law relating to the oiling of streets so that the abutting owners would not have to pay the whole cost."

On motion of Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay it is decided to recommend to Council that the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare an Act providing that abutting property owners shall be required to pay 50% of the cost of oiling streets, the balance to be paid by the City.

HORSE SWEEPERS FOR PAVED STREETS.

Read extract minutes of City Council February 14th, as follows:-

Council ✓

*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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"Alderman Hart asked that the Board consider the matter of doing the spring cleaning of the paved streets with horse drawn sweepers instead of by hand sweepers."

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

GRATUITY TO WIDOWS OF FIREMEN.

Read extract minutes of City Council, February 14th, as follows:-

"Alderman H. S. Colwell asked that application be made to the Relief Commission to pay the gratuities to the widows of firemen killed in the explosion."

It is decided to defer this matter until the City puts in its general claim to the Commission for reimbursement.

WATER METERS.

Read extract minutes of City Council, February 14th, as follows:-

"The clause relating to water meters is referred back to the Board of Control with the recommendation that the definition of "occupant" be amended."

Water Meters.

Section 506 is amended by adding the following clause:-

(2) For the purpose of this Section the expression "occupant" shall include the owner of any premises if resident within the City or the agent of any owner not so residing and also any person actually occupying in and having control of the premises or part of the premises in which a meter is situated.

It is decided to again recommend to Council the adoption of the clause.

POLICE APPOINTMENTS.

Read extract minutes of City Council, February 14th, as follows:-

"Alderman Kelly asked that legislation be sought restoring to the City Council the authority to appoint and dismiss policemen."

It is decided to recommend to Council that no change be made in the law as it stands at present.

MOTOR VEHICLES - RECKLESS DRIVING.

Read extract minutes City Council, February 14th, as follows:-

Engineer ✓

plc ✓

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓

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"Alderman Gillis complained of the reckless driving of dilapidated taxi automobiles by irresponsible licensed taxi drivers, who have old cars which cannot be insured and who commit damage to the cars of other owners. He asked that the Board of Control consider means of mitigating the nuisance."

Also read extract Minutes Board of Control, February 21st, as follows:-

"Alderman Gillis asked that a regulation be provided to prevent reckless driving of dilapidated taxi automobiles by irresponsible licensed drivers who have old cars of other owners. He suggested that no license be issued for a car which is not insured or for which the owner can not put up a guarantee company bond."

Referred to the City Solicitor!

The suggestion of Alderman Gillis is not concurred in by the Board.

POLES IN STREETS.

Read extract minutes City Council, February 14th, as follows:-

"Alderman Kelly asked that the Board of Control revise the Ordinance relating to electric wire poles in streets to better regulate the character and appearance of poles and their location."

It is decided to inform the city Council that the existing poles and wire Ordinance fully covers the matters referred to by Alderman Kelly and that the Board of Public Utilities is now dealing with the same subject.

PERQUISITES OF OFFICIALS.

Read extract minutes of City Council, February 14th, as follows:-

"The Board of Control is requested to report as to a fixed policy to be pursued in regard to officials who in addition to their civic salaries are allowed, house rent, fuel, light, food and other perquisites, so that such officials may be privileged to contribute to the Officials' Superannuation Fund on a known and settled amount and be entitled to the benefits of that Fund accordingly."

Referred to Controller Finlay for report.

SALARY SUPERINTENDENT CITY HOME.

It is decided to recommend to Council a change in the estimates for the City Home providing for a salary of \$1500.00 for the Superintendent of that Institution, who will during the civic year 1918-19 be required to live out-

Council ✓

Cont. Finlay ✓

Council ✓

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side the building.

EXPLOSION ACCOUNTS \$16,347.98.

Read report City Auditor, as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
Halifax, February 22nd, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

Attached hereto please find statement of bills received to date. These accounts, which are chargeable to the Halifax Relief Commission, have been classified under the various Departments, as requested by the Board of Control, and total \$16,347.98.

W. W. Foster,
City Auditor.

The Secretary is instructed to forward the list of accounts to the City Council Advisory Relief Committee requesting them to lay the accounts before the Relief Commission with the request that that body advance a sum of money sufficient to pay the accounts until such time as a final determination is reached as to how the matter will eventually be financed.

BILL BOARD QUINPOOL ROAD.

Read application E. L. Ruddy Co., Ltd., for permission to build an advertising board on the north east corner of Quinpool Road and Kline Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

TENEMENTS IN NARROW LANES.

Read report City Health Board, as follows:-

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, February 22nd, 1918.

From: Secretary City Health Board.

To: Mayor & Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I am instructed by the Chairman of the City Health to submit for your information a copy of a letter forwarded to the chairman and members of the Government Relief Commission. The letter follows:-

"Gentlemen: I am directed by the chairman to bring to your attention, from a public health view point, the

*RP Bell ✓
Members ✓
Advisory
Committee*

Engineer ✓

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fact that along what used to be known as Locman Street, there are a number of houses in small narrow lanes with no proper sanitary conditions because of the absence of sufficient air space and of light, and especially sunlight, which conditions are essential to the preservation of the health of the occupants, especially children. These buildings have been breeders of disease and will continue to be so long as they are permitted to exist and be occupied. I do not know how the city council ever allowed tenement houses to be erected in such narrow lanes, and some of these houses have been erected within ten or twelve years, and now that they are partially destroyed by the recent disaster the chairman is of the opinion that the owners should not be permitted to rebuild them, but that is a matter which properly comes under the jurisdiction of the City Council. The purpose of this letter is to suggest to the Commission that no relief money be spent to rebuild houses in these lanes nor in any other congested lane in the City.

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

The following letter was received in reply:-

Halifax, Relief Commission,
February 20th, 1918.

John A. Watters, Esq.,
Secretary City Health Board,
City.

Dear Sir:-

We acknowledge yours of February 16th, While this matter does not come directly under the jurisdiction of the Commission, we have taken steps as are in our power, to see that every effort is made to prevent permanent repairs being made in districts such as you speak of, but we would suggest that you take this up at once with the City.

Ralph Bell,
Secretary.

The City Health Board is requested to make an inspection of all such buildings referred to in the report and to report to this Board details in all special cases of the class referred to.

HEALTH BOARD ESTIMATES.

The items of increases of salary in the City Health Board estimates referred back by the City Council for further consideration are referred back to the City Health Board for report.

CITY CLERK'S SALARY.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Hines that the salary of the City Clerk be reported up at \$2050.00. Motion lost. The salary is ordered to be

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reported up at \$1950.00

MILITARY GUARDS DEVESTATED AREA.

A telephone message from Col. Thompson, A. A. G. Military Headquarters, asked as to how long the Military Patrol for the devastated area of the City would be required.

The Secretary is instructed to inform Col. Thompson that the matter has been referred to Controller Taylor of the Police Department and the Acting City Engineer for report and that in the meantime the Board of Control is of the opinion as previously expressed to Col. Flowers that the patrol should be maintained until the Spring.

STENOGRAPHERS' SALARIES.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the two items in the estimates "Stenographers Salaries - \$700.00 and \$600.00 respectively" be passed at those figures, Controller Finlay dissenting.

The Board adjourns until two o'clock this afternoon.

H. S. Colwell

H. S. Colwell,
DEPUTY MAYOR.

J. J. W. Wagon
CITY CLERK.

POLICE SALARIES.

The Board concurs in the recommendation of the Council that the salary of the Chief of Police be placed at \$2000.00, the salaries of the Sergeants at \$1100.00, the salaries of the men at \$800.00 and of the Police Clerk at \$1150.00.

The Board also concurs in the recommendation of the Council that the appropriation for maintenance of the Police Patrol be placed at \$700.00.

FINANCE APPROPRIATION.

The Board concurs in the recommendation of the Council

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The Board of Control met again this afternoon at 2 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell and Controllers Hines, Murphy, Taylor and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Independent Audit of City Accounts.
Stipendiary Magistrate's Salary.
Police Salaries.
Streets Appropriation.
City Property and Town Clock.
Fire Department Estimates.
Printing and Stationery.
Temperance Inspector Tracey's Salary.
Public Highways Act \$39,000.00.
Town Planning Board.
City Engineer Doane - Recall of.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF CITY ACCOUNTS.

It is decided to recommend that the sum of \$2500.00 be added to the estimates to provide for an independent audit of the City's accounts.

STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATE'S SALARY.

It is decided to accept the recommendation of the City Council that the salary of the Stipendiary Magistrate be placed at \$2800.00, Controllers Finlay and Murphy dissenting.

POLICE SALARIES.

The Board concurs in the recommendation of the City Council that the salary of the Chief of Police be placed at \$2000.00; The salaries of the Sergeants at \$1150.00; The salaries of the Men at \$1000.00 and of the Police Clerk at \$1150.00.

The Board also concurs in the recommendation of the Council that the appropriation for maintenance of the Police Patrol Waggon be placed at \$500.00

STREETS APPROPRIATION.

The Board concurs in the recommendation of the Council

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that the appropriation for streets be placed at \$50,000.00.

CITY PROPERTY AND TOWN CLOCK.

Read recommendation of the City Council that provision be made for \$300.00 for the repair and maintenance of the Town Clock.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the estimate as recommended be amended to read as follows:-

"City Property and Town Clock	\$3,400.00
Town Clock Maintenance	100.00 "

FIRE DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES.

The Board concurs in the recommendations of the City Council in respect to the Fire Department and decides to recommend as follows:-

- Insurance of Firemen - \$850.00
- Salary of Carpenter and Property Overseer - \$1200.00
- Salaries of Engineers and Operators Motors - \$25.00 each per week.

Salaries of all other men of the re-organized Department \$20.00 each per week/

Amount for caretaker - \$125.00/

The item 50¢ per week for drivers watering streets - \$182.00 is eliminated from the estimate.

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

It is decided to recommend that this item be placed at \$4,000.00.

TEMPERANCE INSPECTOR TRACEY'S SALARY.

Read recommendation of the City Council that the salary of Temperance Inspector Tracey be increased to \$1500.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by the Deputy Mayor that the salary be placed at \$1500.00.

Motion put and lost Controller Finlay and the Deputy Mayor voting for the same and Controllers Taylor, Hines and Murphy against.

It is decided to report the item up at \$1350.00 as

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originally recommended, Controllers Finlay and the Deputy Mayor dissenting.

PUBLIC HIGHWAYS ACT \$39,000.00.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the amount required under the Public Highways Act, about \$39,000.00 be not included as an item in the estimate as presented by the Board but that the amount required be assessed and rated and added to the notices of taxation when the same are sent out, and collected therewith.

Council ✓

TOWN PLANNING BOARD.

Read extract minutes Board of Control, February 21st, at which meeting it was decided to recommend to Council that J. H. Winfield be appointed a "ratepayer" member of the Town Planning Board.

not

The City Clerk is instructed ^{not} to forward the recommendation to the City Council at present and further consideration of the matter is deferred.

CITY ENGINEER DOANE - RECALL OF.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that this Board recommend to the City Council that the Council request the Military authorities to permit Major F. W. W. Doane, the City Engineer, to return to his civic duties. Motion passed, Controller Murphy dissenting.

Council ✓

The Board adjourns.

H. S. Colwell

H. S. Colwell,

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. Fred Wray

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this evening at 10.45 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, chairman, and Controllers Taylor, Hines, Murphy and Finlay

The Board met for the purpose of considering recommendations made by the City Council at its session this evening in respect to various items in the Estimate for 1918-19, and other matters.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Infectious Diseases Hospital.
Salaries Stenographers City Clerk's Office.
City Prison Estimate.
Salary Temperance Act Inspector Tracey.
Town Planning.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

The City Clerk informed the Board that the City Council had referred back to this Board for further consideration a verbal report from this Board to the City Council approving of the principle of the construction of a temporary hospital for infectious diseases on the City Home property at an expenditure of about \$27,000.00 of which the Relief Commission would contribute \$10,000, the City about \$8,000 from its claim for damage to the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rockhead, and the balance of \$9,000.00 to be by a loan for the purpose.

After discussion the Board decides to report to Council withdrawing a verbal report made to the City Council at its session this evening, withholding the matter for further consideration.

SALARIES STENOGRAPHERS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Read resolution of Council passed at this evening's session of that body referring back to this Board its recommendation that the salaries of the Stenographers, City Clerk's Office, \$700 and \$600 respectively, be reduced to

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\$600 and \$500 respectively.

Moved by Controller Finlay that the recommendation of City Council be concurred in.

The motion is not seconded.

The items are referred back to the City Council as originally recommended by this Board.

CITY PRISON ESTIMATES.

Read resolution passed by the City Council at its session this evening recommending that this Board consider the advisability of striking from the Estimate the sum of \$700 for salary of one underkeeper.

The recommendation of the City Council is concurred in.

SALARY TEMPERANCE ACT INSPECTOR TRACEY.

Read resolution City Council recommending to this Board that the salary of Temperance Act Inspector Tracey be estimated at \$1,500.00.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Murphy that this Board adhere to its original recommendation that the salary be placed at \$1350.00.

Moved in amendment by Controller Finlay, that the recommendation of the City Council be concurred in and that the salary be placed at \$1500.00.

The motion being put is passed Controllers Taylor Murphy and Hines voting for it and Controller Finlay and the Deputy Mayor against it.

TOWN PLANNING.

Read recommendation of the City Council passed at its session this evening that this Board include in the Civic Estimate the sum of \$500.00 to meet expenses of the Town Planning Board.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the sum of \$300.00 be included in the Estimate for the purpose of advertising Town Planning.

The Board adjourned.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. H. H. H.
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

February 25th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this evening at 11.45 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, and Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murpy and Taylor.

TEMPERANCE ACT INSPECTOR TRACEY'S SALARY.

Read resolution of City Council passed at its session this evening again recommending to this Board that the salary of Temperance Act Inspector Tracey be estimated at \$1500.00.

It is decided to concur in the Council's recommendation, the Deputy Mayor and Controllers Finlay and Hines voting for concurrence and Controllers Murphy and Taylor against.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. Colwell

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. Wray

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, and Controllers Taylor, Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Laundries Special Tax.
Bicycles Special Tax.
City Home Improvement.
Grand Parade - Temporary Building.
Military Guards, Devastated Area.
Coal.
Fire Prevention Law.
City of Halifax Cheque \$210.82 Lost.
Street Railway Strike.

LAUNDRIES SPECIAL TAX.

On motion of Controller Finlay it is decided to recommend to Council that legislation be obtained imposing a special tax of \$100.00 on each laundry in the City.

BICYCLE-SPECIAL TAX.

It is decided not to impose a special tax on bicycles as recently suggested by Alderman Gillis.

CITY HOME IMPROVEMENT.

Read extract from the joint report of Controller Hines and the Secretary of the City Home re the installation of laundry equipment, a fumigating plant and a fire escape, submitted at a meeting of the Board of Control February 6th, as follows:-

"The facilities for washing the clothing, bedding, etc, are inadequate, the inmates being incapable of doing the work satisfactorily, it will necessitate the giving the work out to tender at a cost of about \$5000.00 per year (the number of pieces to be washed each week being about 2000), or would recommend that a washing plant be installed, consisting of a washing machine, 40x50 inch, 1 curb extractor, 26 inch, 1 steam mangle, 90 inch, This fixture installed with motor and all necessary equipment the estimated cost of which would be about \$3650.00. In order to have an up to date sanitary plant which would consist of a steam disinfectant chamber with formaldehyde attachment, would cost an extra amount of \$1,895.00, and would recommend that legislation be sought for this above purpose. We believe that a man to operate this plant could be secured for \$600 per year.

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*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
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As it is the intention to utilize the top floor of centre building of the institution as a home for feeble minded children, would recommend that a suitable fire escape be erected at an estimated cost of \$500.00. This is compulsory under existing law.

*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓*

It is decided on motion of Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy to recommend to Council the borrowing of a sum not to exceed \$6,000.00 for the foregoing purposes.

GRAND PARADE TEMPORARY BUILDING.

Read letter Col. W. E. Thompson, A. A. G., as follows:-

Headquarters Military Dist. No. 6,
Halifax, Nova Scotia,
25th February, 1918.

To
The City Clerk,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:-

Adverting to my letter to you of the 3rd instant, in reference to the use of the Recruiting Office at the Parade as Shelter for Cabmen during the Winter months, I am to inform you that it is reported that vandals are causing much damage to the building in question, and its contents, by breaking windows and interfering with the stoves installed therein. It is presumed that you are exercising the necessary supervision over the building.

W. E. Thompson, Colonel,
A. A. G., Military District No. 6.

The Acting City Engineer informs the Board that the windows in the building were broken by the explosion of December 6th and that the stoves referred have since been removed by the Military Authorities.

*Col W E Thompson ✓
City Engineer ✓*

The City Engineer is instructed to ask the Military Authorities to remove the building and to put the ground in its original condition before the structure was placed there.

MILITARY GUARDS DEVESTATED AREA.

The City Clerk informed the Board that the Military Headquarters through Colonel Thompson by telephone message desired to know if the Military Guards on duty at the routes leading to the devastated area were any longer required by the City for duty there.

*Col Thompson ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

The City Clerk is instructed to request the Military Authorities to maintain a foot guard of at least ten men

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on duty at the approaches to the devastated area and to
maintain the Military/^{mounted}guard as at present.

COAL.

Moved by Controller Murp hy, seconded by Controller
Finlay that the City Engineer present at Thursday's meet-
ing of the Board a detailed accounting of the coal pur-
chased by the City and sold to the public and supplied to
various civic institutions. Motion passed.

FIRE PREVENTION LAW.

A delegation from the Board of Trade consisting of
E. A. Saunders, Secretary, J. Norwood Duffus and W. S.
Davidson appeared before the Board and submitted amend-
ments to the Fire Prevention Law which they urged the City
to concur in.

The Board informed the delegation that they would
take the suggestions into consideration.

CITY OF HALIFAX CHEQUE \$210.82 LOST.

The Clerk of Works informed the Board that a City of
Halifax cheque for \$210.82, dated February 9th, 1918, No.
8579, to order of the Dominion Coal Company had been lost
by them, and that the Bank had been notified accordingly.

The City Treasurer is authorized to issue a duplicate
cheque.

STREET RAILWAY STRIKE.

Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell reports to the board that
the difference between the street Railway Company and their
Employees has been adjusted and that the Employees intend
returning to duty at once.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. Colwell
DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. Wragham
CITY CLERK.

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Engineer ✓

*Council ✓
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*Treasurer ✓
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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES:

Fire Prevention.
Shop, Willow Park/
Building Foundation in Devastated Area.
Taxes on Properties Destroyed in Disaster.
School Property Destroyed in Disaster.
City's Losses by Explosion.
Bill Boards.
Fire Department-Deputy Chief.
Relief Expenditure, \$16,347.98.
Deputy Assessor McDonald's Superannuation Assessments.
W. A. Messervey, Superannuation Assessments.
City Clerk's Stenographer.
Tuberculosis Hospital Loan.
Assessment Plans.
Temperance Act Enforcement.
Victoria General Hospital.
Public Schools Coal Accounts.
Infectious Diseases Hospital.

FIRE PREVENTION.

Read letter Board of Trade, as follows:-

Board of Trade, Halifax, N.S.,
February 28th, 1918.

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

With reference to the Special Committee from this Board which appeared before your Honorable Body on Tuesday morning last, I beg to advise you that on the afternoon of that day, a report was submitted from it to the members of Council.

At the latter meeting I was desired to write you and ask that you favorably consider the enactment of the points brought out in the draft bill left in your hands by our committee, as they are not considered very drastic in consideration of the great number of wooden structure in the City of Halifax.

The members of the Council of this Board consider it necessary that a systematic and regular examination should be made of the cellars, hallways, etc., in the business district at least four times a year, and the outlying districts at least twice a year; they also consider this examination would be very great benefit to the Fire department by making its members acquainted with the interiors of business and other buildings, and would also impress upon your the desirability of license issuing in connection with the carrying of stocks of an inflammable nature, as outlined.

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Another point the Council of this Board would like to impress upon your Honorable Body, is the power to prosecute by the Chief of the Fire Department or any such officer as may be appointed to carry out this examination work, presuming, however, he would have the advise of the City Solicitor.

As we stated at the meeting on Tuesday 1st, since our former application, made two years ago, for stringent rules and regulations in connection with Fire Prevention fires have occurred through accumulation of waste paper and other inflammables where premises had not been examined and we beg to urge upon you the necessity of either having new legislation or the present City Ordinance changed to conform with the draft act now in your hands.

Trusting this matter will receive your early and favorable consideration,

I have the honor, Sirs, to be,

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

Referred to Controller Hines for an early report.

SHOP - WILLOW PARK.

W. H. Covert, appeared before the Board, representing a Russian who had applied for a permit to erect a temporary structure to be used as a shop at Willow Park, urging that no obstacles be placed in the way of his client being permitted to proceed with the work, there being no legal objection to his doing so.

Referred to the City Engineer and City Solicitor for report.

Mr. Covert protests against any delay in the matter.

BUILDING FOUNDATION IN DEVESTATED AREA.

A Mr. Murphy appeared before the Board complaining that the foundation walls of a dwelling owned by him in the devastated area had been levelled off by the contractors while cleaning up the debris. He thought the portion of the foundation removed should have been allowed to remain to protect the underneath portions of it.

The City Engineer informed the Board that the City has nothing to do with the matter it being altogether in the hands of the Relief Commission.

TAXES ON PROPERTIES DESTROYED IN DISASTER.

Read report Controller Murphy as follows:--

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April 4/18 ✓
Cont. Hines ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓*

*Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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Halifax, N. S.,
February 28th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

A recent ruling handed out by the City Solicitor to the effect that property owners would be expected to pay taxes for the coming year on properties destroyed in the recent disaster, is causing some concern among those affected. In order therefore to relieve these people of further worry, I think it advisable that this Board ask the Commission to make some definite announcement as to their policy in this regard.

It is admitted that the City cannot expect to collect taxes on these properties. In order that those whose properties have been destroyed will know exactly where they stand in this matter, I would recommend that the Commission be asked to make the earliest possible announcement on same.

John Murphy,
Controller.

Approved.

SCHOOL PROPERTY DESTROYED IN DISASTER.

The Secretary of the Board of Control is instructed to request the Board of School Commissioners to submit to the City Engineer a copy of their appraisal of damage to school properties.

CITY'S LOSSES BY EXPLOSION.

His Worship the Mayor and the Acting City Engineer are authorized to appoint two competent appraisers to inspect City properties damaged by the explosion and to compare their estimates of damage with the figures already obtained by the Acting City Engineer, and to furnish a statement as to how the same compare in their opinion.

BILL BOARDS.

Read application E. L. Ruddy Company for permission to erect bill boards at the following locations:-

Vacant Lot, north east corner Coburg Rd and Chestnut St.

Vacant Lot, west of 101 Coburg Road.

#215 Jubilee Road.

Wall of house of Dr. A. C. Hawkins, north west corner Cunard and Gottingen Streets.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

*R P Bell
Secy Relief
Com.*

*Miss Wilson
Engineer*

*Mayor
Engineer*

Engineer

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FIRE DEPARTMENT - DEPUTY CHIEF.

Read application J. Zong for position as Deputy Chief of the Fire Department.

Referred to Controller Hines for report.

RELIEF EXPENDITURE \$16,347.98.

Controller Murphy verbally reported that the City Council's advisory Relief Committee had waited upon the Relief Commission and presented bills totalling \$16,347.98 for various relief work, including temporary repairs to different City institutions.

The Commission advised the Committee that they would, on application, loan the City the sum required to pay the accounts.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the offer of the Commission be accepted.

DEPUTY ASSESSOR McDONALD'S SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS.

Read report City Treasurer recommending that Mrs. Maria McDonald, widow of Deputy Assessor George A. McDonald be refunded the sum of \$383.00, the amount of his contribution to the Officials' Superannuation Fund.

Approved.

W. E. MESSERVEY, SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS.

Read report City Treasurer re superannuation assessments W. E. Messervey, ex Liquor License Inspector, as follows:-

Halifax, February 28th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

Under sub.sec. 2, sec. 300 Cap. 74, Acts 1914, any official or employee who has contributed to the fund for not less than 2 years and

A - Whose office is abolished or

B - Who (if appointed annually) fails of re-appointment shall be entitled to receive from the fund in one payment an amount equal to the whole of his contribution without interest. The question at issue, is whether Mr. Messervey ceased to be an official, under A, or B, when his

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office of License Inspector was abolished and he became Market Clerk.

He has not paid anything into the Superannuation Fund since March 1916 and he considers himself as no longer attached to that Fund.

The ruling of the City Solicitor should be obtained as similar cases might arise if other officials were obliged from like causes to change offices without ceasing to be an official.

The amount paid by him is \$468.00.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
Trustees

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

CITY CLERK'S STENOGRAPHER.

Read resignation Miss Kathleen Monaghan, stenographer, City Clerk's Office to take effect March 31st.

Accepted.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL LOAN.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Murphy that the proposed Act for a contribution of \$25,000.00 from the City towards the establishment of a permanent tuberculosis hospital be increased to the sum of \$35,000.00, and the City Solicitor instructed to have the Act amended accordingly. Motion passed.

ASSESSMENT PLANS.

Moved by Controller Finlay that legislative authority be obtained for the meeting of a short term loan of \$2,500.00 for improvements in the City Assessor's Office in connection with the Assessment Plans.

Referred back to Controller Finlay to present to the Board a statement in detail of the requirements of the Assessor's Department in this connection.

TEMPERANCE ACT ENFORCEMENT.

Read letter R. H. Murray, K. C., covering account for legal services in connection with the enforcement of the Temperance Act, as follows:-

Solicitor ✓

Miss Monaghan ✓

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓

Cont Finlay ✓

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June \$22.50, July \$17.50, October \$50.00, November \$10.00, February \$32.50, Total \$132.50.

Referred to Controller Finlay for report.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The Secretary is instructed to notify the City Solicitor that the Board desires to discuss with him the matter of amending Victoria General Hospital legislation in respect to the admission and discharge of patients.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS COAL ACCOUNTS.

Read letter School Board, as follows:-

Office of School Commissioners,
Halifax, February 28th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Board of School Commissioners to request that the bills for coal supplied by the City to the Schools, be submitted to this Board as soon as possible, in order that they may adjust the claims for payment of fuel used in the various schools by the Reconstruction Committee.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

The Acting City Engineer informs the Board that the City's statements of coal accounts will be ready for submission to the Board on Tuesday next.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

Controller Murphy reported that the Advisory Committee had waited upon the Relief Commission and advised them that the City was not in favor of the awarding of a contract for \$27,000.00 for the erection of a temporary infectious diseases hospital on the City Home property.

It is decided to report to Council that the Relief Commission has under consideration a proposal to assist the situation with respect to the immediate necessity for providing accommodation for cases of Infectious Diseases. The Commission is prepared to expend up to \$10,000.00 for this purpose and this Board recommends that applicatib n

Cont Finlay

*Solicitor
Cont Murphy*

City Engineer

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be made to them to utilize that sum in improving and enlarging the present Infectious Diseases Hospital at Rockhead which was damaged by the Explosion.

The City has a claim of about \$8,000.00 for damage done to the building which when adjusted and added to the \$10,000.00 which the Commission is prepared to expend would make a fund of \$18,000.00. If this money were expended on the present building and an enlargement of it, necessitated by the anticipations of the Commission because of the extraordinary conditions existing through lack of housing accommodation and the large number of non-residents now temporarily within the City it would stand as a more permanent work than the originally proposed erection of a temporary structure on the City Home property and the sum of \$10,000.00 would be applied to a permanently useful purpose instead of being practically wasted.

*Verbal report
to Council ✓*

*Letter City
Health Board ✓*

The Secretary is instructed to inform the City Health Board of the recommendation of this Board to the City Council and to inform that that a special meeting of the City Council has been called for the afternoon of March 4th to consider the same and any recommendation the Board of Health may be pleased to make on the subject and to ask them to concur in the same.

The Board adjourned.

P. J. Martin

MAYOR.

L. Fred Wagoner

CITY CLERK

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 1st, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay, Murphy and Taylor.

TAXATION IN THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

The Board of Control held a conference this morning with a Committee of the Board of Trade consisting of H. R. Silver, L. R. Miles, G. McG. Mitchell, G. L. Stairs, and John McKeen, and the City Council's committee on taxation consisting of Aldermen Kelly, Macnab and Godwin, in respect to Chapter 39 of the Acts of 1916 entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Taxation in the City of Halifax".

The Board of Trade Committee presented a report which had received the approval of the Council of that body, covering several amendments to the new taxation Act.

The report follows:-

Board of Trade, Halifax, N. S.
February 19th, 1918.

To the President and Members
of the Council, Halifax,
Board of Trade.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee which was appointed by the Council of the Board to report on the proposed amendments to the Law relating to Taxation in the City of Halifax has held numerous meetings themselves and also with the representatives of other classes of rate payers in the community, for the purpose of discussing any proposed changes. Among those with whom conferences were held, were, Insurance Agents, Retail Merchants and Real Estate Owners and Agents, as well as a committee from the City Council appointed for that purpose.

In view of the proposed act having been passed by the Legislature and being capable of being brought into effect by "Order in Council", your Committee is of the opinion that any amendments proposed should not alter the principle of the act, but only apply to the application thereof, and the changes which they propose are made with that object in view.

The representatives of the Fire Insurance Companies contended that inasmuch as their Companies pay a License

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for doing business in the City, they should not be obliged to pay a "business tax", on the grounds that they would thus be doubly taxed, but as in some cases the whole of this License is paid by the Company, itself, and not by the Agent, your Committee is of the opinion that the "business tax" should be applied to Insurance Agents as well as to other lines of business. It may be that in the logical working out of the Act these licenses should some time be eliminated, but we cannot recommend that this should be done at the present time.

Your Committee would recommend that Section 4 of the proposed Act, which reads: "That the Business Tax shall be at the rate of 1% of the assessed value of the premises in respect of which it is imposed, if not less than \$4,000, and that the rate shall be $\frac{1}{2}$ % if such value is less than \$4,000," should be changed to read:

"The Business Tax shall be at the rate of 1% of the assessed value of the premises in respect of which it is imposed, except that in the case of retail stores, if the assessed value of the premises used for that purpose is less than \$2000, the rate shall be $\frac{1}{2}$ % of the assessed value of the premises."

The change here as you will note is that the rate is to be applied to all business placed except retail stores occupying premises assessed at less than \$2000, instead of \$4000, as in the original/

Section 5, which reads:- "That the rate of Household Taxes shall be $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% in respect to properties, the assessed value of which exceeds \$1,500 and no household taxes shall be applied in respect to any premises of a value less than that amount," Your Committee recommends that the minimum be reduced to \$1,000 as this will give Civic Franchise to a considerable number of people who would otherwise not have it.

Section, 9, which reads:- "That hereafter all buildings and other improvements on any land shall be rated at a rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ % on the value of the same as assessed by the assessors, must be considered jointly with Section 10, which says, "That the remainder of the amount yearly required by the City shall be raised by a rate sufficient to reach that amount on the assessed value of land, apart from buildings or other improvements." Your Committee recommends that in view of the probably increased rate which it will be necessary to levy on land during the present and future years, it would be more equitable to increase the rate on buildings and improvements to $1\frac{1}{2}$ % and thus automatically reduce the rate on land. This change would appeal to the owners of land and perhaps minimize their opposition to the putting of the Act into effect.

We may say that the Committee from the City Council with whom this Committee conferred are not in favor of this change, and brought forward many reasons why the Tax on buildings and improvements should not be increased, some of which are undoubtedly sound. Nevertheless it will be remembered that when the rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ % on buildings and improvements was proposed in conjunction with a land Tax of 3.62% and circumstances have since arisen which will probably increase the Land Tax to 4%, and inasmuch as it cannot be learned that Land in the residential areas is being held at extreme values, we are of the opinion that the Tax on Build-

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ings and Improvements should bear part of the expected increase and therefore would recommend that the rate on Buildings and Improvements should be $1\frac{3}{4}\%$, and the remainder of the amount required be raised as provided for in Section 10.

A draft of the proposed amended Sections is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. R. Silver,
Chairman.

Proposed changes in the Act to amend the Law of
Taxation in the City of Halifax.

(Chapter 39).

Section 4 to read:-

"The Business Tax shall be at the rate of 1% of the assessed value of the premises in respect of which it is imposed, except that in the case of retail stores, if the assessed value of the premises used for that purpose is less than \$2,000, the rate shall be $\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the assessed value of the premises."

Section 5 to read:-

"The rate of 'Household Tax' shall be $\frac{1}{4}\%$ of the 1% in respect to all properties, the assessed value of which exceeds \$1,000.00 and no 'Household Tax' shall be payable in respect to any premises of value less than that amount."

Section 9 to read:-

"Hereafter all Buildings and other Improvements upon any land shall be rated at a rate of $1\frac{3}{4}\%$ on the value of the same as determined by the assessors."

The proposed amendments were fully discussed and agreed to and it was decided to recommend to Council that the City Solicitor be authorized to incorporate them in the Act as amendments thereto.

It was further decided to recommend that immediately upon the said amendments receiving the sanction of the Legislature all necessary steps be taken by the City Solicitor to amend the Provisions of the City Charter in accordance with Chapter 39 of the Acts of 1916 and the amendments suggested by the Board of Trade, and apply to the Governor in Council for an Order declaring the said amended Act to be in force and effect.

The Board adjourned.

P. H. Martin
MAYOR.

L. D. Wagoner
CITY CLERK.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL,

March 4th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this afternoon at 5.20 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

Read resolution of City Council referring back to this Board for further consideration its report in respect to Infectious Diseases Hospital.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that this Board recommend to the City Council that the City proceed with the construction of a temporary Isolation Hospital on the City Home property. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned.

Council ✓

P. H. Martin
MAYOR.

L. J. Murphy
CITY CLERK .

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 5th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Waggon for Superintendent Water Department.
Fire Department - Chief Engineer.
Town Planning Board.
Public Schools - Richmond and Bloomfield Schools.
Chestnut Street Sewer.
Fire Prevention - Temporary Shelters and Tenement Opposite Halifax Hotel.
Temperance Act Enforcement - R. H. Murray Account.
City Clerk's Stenographers.
Bill Boards.
Assessment Plan.
Fuel for Winter of 1918-19.
Electric Lighting Contract - Halifax Power Co.
Fire Insurance Public Gardens.
Upper Water Street Foot of Bell's Lane.
Cambridge Street Sewer.
Charges for Transfer of Baggage.
City Electrician - Application S. A. Woods for Position.
Tracey Liquor Investigation.
City Prison Report for February.
North West Arm Trunk Sewer, Section 2.
Loan \$60000.00 for Fire Equipment.
Hack and Taxi Licenses.
Accounts.

WAGGON FOR SUPERINTENDENT WATER DEPARTMENT.

Read report Clerk of Works, as follows:-

Halifax, March 5th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

The waggon used last season by the Superintendent of the Water Department being beyond repair, and as it has been found necessary to have a new one, at your request the Superintendent has obtained quotations for one that will be suitable for his use.

Messrs. Stroud & Eveleigh quote \$155.00

A. Lamphier 170.00

A. J. McNutt could not quote a price.

The Superintendent states that Messrs. Stroud and Eveleigh's waggon is the lowest in price and most satisfactory.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

It is decided to accept the offer of Stroud & Eve-

leigh.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT - CHIEF ENGINEER.

Read application George Chaplain, 84 Willow Street,
for position of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Referred to Controller Hines.

TOWN PLANNING BOARD.

Read letter R. M. Hattie, Secretary Town Planning
Board, as follows:-

27 Coburg Rd., Halifax, N. S.,
March 2nd, 1918.

His Worship Mayor Martin,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I sent a notice to Mr. Winfield to attend the Town
Planning Board meeting the other day under the impression
that he had been appointed to it. I found however that
the Board of Control while approving his appointment, de-
ferred action on account of the question of the money
vote. I presume that the fact of the money now being
voted clears the way to recommend Mr. Winfield's appoint-
ment up to the Council, and I write to remind you, so that
the matter may not be lost sight of. I wonder if you
could not take action on this matter at the next meeting
of the Board of Control.

At the same time it may not be amiss for me to re-
mind you of the Town Planning Board's decision that you
should ask the Board of Control to instruct the City Sol-
icitor to advise the Town Planning Board in legal matters
pertaining to its work. Perhaps you would take this up
also at the next meeting of the Board of Control.

I enclose minutes of the T. P. Board meeting of Fir-
day afternoon.

R. M. Hattie.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Town Plann-
ing Board that they are informed Mr. J. H. Winfield is
already a member of the said Board, representing the
County of Halifax.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - RICHMOND AND BLOOMFIELD SCHOOLS.

Read report Board of School Commissioners, as foll-
ows:-

Board of School Commissioners Office,
Halifax, March 5th, 1918.

His Wor ship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In order to supply school accommodation for the
children of Richmond and Bloomfield Schools, the Board of

Carl Hines

R. M. Hattie

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School Commissioners opened negotiations with the Relief Commission asking that if, after inspection by an expert the outer walls of Bloomfield High School building were declared safe - the Board not wishing to incur the responsibility of accident or injury, the Commission would advance a loan on the same terms as previous loan, i.e. The Board to award the contract at its discretion, and appoint an inspector for the work, but inviting the Commission to appoint an inspector to co-operate with him.

The Commission decided to undertake this repair work itself by its Reconstruction department, and charge the expenditure to the School Board, agreeing that the Board might appoint an inspector.

The Board being anxious to reopen the School but unable to finance the necessary outlay by any other means, was compelled to accept the Commission's offer, and now ask that the Board of Control pass a resolution similar to the previous one for an amount sufficient to cover the necessary outlay.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

The Board is addressed by John P. Quinn, Chairman of the Board of School Commissioners.

It is decided to request the City Council's Advisory Committee to take the matter of the School Board's application up with the Relief Commission at a meeting to be held this afternoon.

CHESTNUT STREET SEWER.

Nelson Riggs appeared before the Board asking when the construction of the Chestnut Street sewer would be begun.

The City Engineer informed the Board that this sewer would probably be started in about three week's time.

FIRE PREVENTION - TEMPORARY SHELTERS AND TENEMENT

OPPOSITE HALIFAX HOTEL.

Read joint report Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., March 5, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report on the emergency shelters on the Provincial Exhibition Grounds, the Common, the Citadel, and also the brick tenement building opposite the Halifax Hotel, as follows:-

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*His Worship the Mayor Chairman
Committee ✓*

Engineer ✓

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I would recommend,

1. (Exhibition Grounds). That a Chemical Engine now in reserve at Brunswick Street Station be put in commission at once on the Exhibition Grounds, and that three men be attached to same. This would necessitate the building of an engine house conveniently located in the immediate vicinity. I would suggest that either the south side or the west side of this block be chosen for this location.
2. That a fire alarm box be installed in the engine house.
3. That a liberal supply of ladders be conveniently placed on the grounds.
4. That in the near future a triple combination chemical hose and pumping car be secured for the far North end of the City, as the distance required to be covered by the present horse driven apparatus is over an extensive radius, and at a fire in this part of the City in particular, pumping apparatus is required to be immediately put in action.
5. (Common). I do not think it necessary that ~~from~~ any apparatus should be installed on the Common, as that from Brunswick Street, West Street, Grafton Street and Quinpool Road Stations could reach this locality in very short time; but as the nearest fire alarm box is on the corner of Cogswell and Creighton Streets (Box 5) and in the event of this box being sounded, would bring the apparatus considerable out of its way, which would cause much delay, I therefore recommend that an alarm box be installed in a more convenient location.
6. In reference to the Citadel Shelters I think the same might apply to this as on the Common, the nearest alarm Box being Box 31, Dresden Row and Annandale Street. As the laying down of the water mains in each of these locations will be under the supervision of the City Engineer, I presume that the hydrants will be so located as to be of the most benefit in case of fire.
7. Regarding the brick tenement, opposite the Halifax Hotel I think it would be wise to keep a watchman on duty at night, as there are 38 stoves in this building and as there are 25 families, 134 people in all, mostly women and children, living in this house. In the event of a fire, the result might be serious owing to the complicated construction of this building.

J. J. Hines,
Controller H.F.D

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

Also read letter Military Authorities as follows:-

Militia and Defence, Halifax, N.S.
27th February, 1918.

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

Sir:-
This Headquarters is beginning to feel a bit ex-

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cerned about the additional fire hazard caused by the recent erection of huts on the Common and about the Citadel. It is expected that other huts will shortly be erected on the North Common for the exclusive use of soldiers.

It is always customary, where troops are located in any number, to have a regularly trained fire picket, available at all times.

It is proposed to establish such a picket and have a regular fire drill instituted at the Depot Battalion, which will be located at the Armouries and adjoining huts. It is desired that every possible use shall be made of this picket, and to that end I would suggest that a meeting be arranged between representatives of the City Government having to do with Fire Department affairs, and Representatives of this Headquarters, to arrange co-operation.

If you approve of this suggestion, and will advise me who will represent the City at such a conference and when and where it will be convenient for them to attend, I will be very pleased to have Military representatives present.

W. E. Thompson, Colonel,
A. A. G., Mil. Dist., No. 6.

Colonel Thompson's letter is referred to Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department to act as a Committee to meet with the Military authorities.

The report of Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department is referred to the City Council's Advisory Committee to take up with the Relief Commission.

TEMPERANCE ACT ENFORCEMENT - R. H. MURRAY ACCOUNT.

Controller Finlay reports that he had consulted Temperance Act Inspector Tracey with regard to the accounts of R. H. Murray, K. C., \$132.50, for legal services in the enforcement of the Temperance Act and recommends that the sum be paid.

Approved.

CITY CLERK'S STENOGRAPHERS.

Read report Controller Finlay, as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
March 5th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I hereby recommend that Miss Mary Langdon, who has

*clerk Finlay
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Cont. Hines
Col Thompson
His Worship the
Mayor's
committee*

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been temporarily employed for the past five consecutive months in the office of the City Assessor, and who has proven an efficient clerk and stenographer, be appointed stenographer in the City Clerk's office, said appointment to date from the first of March, Salary \$500 per year. and from April 1st, \$600.00 per year.

I also recommend that Miss Carrie Higgins, who has done considerable work as stenographer in the City Collector's Office, substituting from time to time, be appointed 2nd stenographer in the City Clerk's Office, said appointment to take effect April 1st, at a salary of \$500 per year.

A. J. Finlay,
Controller.

Read applications for position as stenographer in the City Clerk's Office from the following named:-

Margaret Bonnell, Murial Thompson, Mary J. Mooney, Eva Hayes, Ethel M. Fraser, Gertrude Currie.

Consideration deferred until Thursday's meeting.

BILL BOARDS.

Read application E. L. Ruddy Company for permission to maintain a bill board on a vacant lot on Chebucto Rd. east of Willow Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ASSESSMENT PLAN.

Read report Controller Finlay, as follows:-

Office of Chief Assessor,
March 5th, 1918.

The Mayor and Members Board
of Control, City.

Gentlemen:-

I herewith submit a memo showing various items paid out of the amount borrowed for purchasing assessment plan of our City, together with a memo of the requirements to complete the work.

I would recommend that a short Term Borrowing Bill be put through for the sum of Twenty Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to provide for these items.

A. J. Finlay.

MEMO OF REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

25,000 Cards, Alphabetical @ \$18 per Thousand (Geo. Alphabetical and Poll Tax cards)	\$450.00
1 Safe Cabinet	200.00
6 #42 Sections @ \$13	78.00
1 #12	4.00

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1 #660 B.B. Colored Guides	\$ 50.50
Set Printed Guides	60.00
Set R. P. Numerical Guides	20.00
1 Mammoth Fireproof Vertical B. P. Cabinet for City Plans	12 5.00
2 #214 Typewriter chairs (upholstered)	20.00
1 Adding machine	400.00
	<u>\$ 1,407.50</u>

Controller Finlay also lays upon the table a tabulated detailed statements of the expenditures up to date on account of assessment plans, as per request of the Board.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the sum of \$2,500.00 be added to the City's short Term Borrowing Bill for the purposes named.

FUEL FOR WINTER OF 1918-19.

Read letter Monetary Times, Toronto, as follows:-

The Monetary Times, Toronto,
Ontario, February 28th, 1918.

the City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

The Monetary Times has devoted considerable attention to the fuel problem in Canada. On February 6th, we sent a communication to your Mayor on the subject and enclosed copy of an article which appeared in the Monetary Times Annual of January 4th, by Mr. Arthur V. White, entitled "Canada's Fuel Problem Demands National Action."

Since publication of the article we have received many comments through the public press, and by letter, which clearly represent the deep concern felt by the country at large in connection with our grave fuel problem.

Enclosed herewith is a digest of some of the comments from the Press of Canada. We desire to obtain the views of representative municipalities which are immediately dependent upon imported coal, with the object of ascertaining what effort is being put forth to meet the possible fuel shortage of the winter of 1918-19.

We would appreciate receiving, as soon as convenient your reply to the following questions:-

(a) Have your Municipal Authorities any suggestions to make respecting means by which the fuel problem may be alleviated in your Municipality for next winter?

(b) To what extent is your Municipality making effort to lay in a supply of wood fuel for 1918-19, with a view to supplementing such coal supplies as will be available?

(c) If no action has been taken up to the present, (as indicated in question (b) - what

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ACTION does your Municipality intend to take?
An early reply will be appreciated.

Fred. W. Field,
The Editor.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor to confer with
the Honorable R. G. Beazley, the Fuel Controller for
Nova Scotia.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT - HALIFAX POWER COMPANY.

Read letter Halifax power Company as follows:-

Halifax, March 2nd, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

Pardon my delay in further answering your letter of
the 4th of February, but I have been waiting to hear
from our New York people. Our arrangements are now
sufficiently advanced to ask you to have a plebiscite
taken, in accordance with the Act of the Legislature at
their last session. We think the most favorable time
would be on the 1st of April, the day on which the civic
election is held.

Samuel M. Brookfield,
President Halifax Power Co.

Deferred until Thursday's meeting.

The City Solicitor is requested to submit his op-
inion in writing as to whether the City is under any ob-
ligation to the Halifax Power Company under the provisions
of Section 31 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916 and the
agreement referred to therein and appended as Schedule A
to said Act.

FIRE INSURANCE PUBLIC GARDENS.

Tenders are received and opened for fire insurance
on Public gardens properties as follows:-

Halifax Fire Insurance Company,
27th February 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

The Halifax Fire Insurance Company hereby tender for
\$2000.00 insurance on the Keepers Dwelling in the Public

Mayor
Hon R G Beazley ✓

Solicitor ✓
M/C ✓

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Gardens, at the rate of 75¢ per \$100 for 3 years.

Edward S. Goudge,
Secty. & Treas.

The Acadia Fire Insurance Co.,
February 21st, 1918.

City Clerk,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to tender for the insurance on the following property:-

- \$4000 on building occupied by Superintendent of the Public Gardens; rate on same being 35¢ per \$100 per annum, or 70¢ for three years.
- \$4000 on buildings known as Pottage Shed, Stable, Conservatories, and Contents of same; rate being 1½% for \$100 per annum, or 3% for three years.

In the event of the buildings and their contents being insured separately, a lower rate could be obtained as follows:-

Buildings & Contents,- Pottage Shed and Stable, - 1½% per annum per \$100., or 3% for three years.

Greenhouses or Conservatories and contents- 1½% per annum per \$100, or 2½% for three yrs.

Heating apparatus will be included in the covering.

R. K. Elliot,
Secty. - Treas.

It is decided to recommend to Council the acceptance of the tender of the Acadia Fire Insurance Company.

UPPER WATER STREET, FOOT OF BELL'S LANE.

Read complaint from property owners and tax payers Upper Water Street re condition of the sidewalk and gutter on Water Street in front of Wentzell's building.

Referred to the City Engineer.

CAMBRIDGE STREET SEWER.

Read letter Colin C. E. Tyrer asking if the Cambridge Street sewer will be constructed during the early Spring.

Referred to the City Engineer.

CHARGES FOR TRANSFER OF BAGGAGE.

Read letter Queen Hotel, as follows:-

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

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Queen Hotel, Private Office,
Halifax, March 1st, 1918.

Hack Committee,
City Hall, City.

Gentlemen:-

Since the explosion the Halifax Transfer Co., have been charging us at the rate of .50¢ per package from the station to this Hotel, three packages for \$1.00, four packages for \$1.50, five packages for \$2.00. I consider this rate exorbitant and would ask that this matter be looked into.

If the above is the regular tariff rate, I would appreciate if you would advise me, and greatly oblige,

Wm. Mombourquette,
Manager.

Referred to Controller Taylor for report.

CITY ELECTRICIAN - APPLICATION S. A. WOODS FOR THE POSITION.

Read application S. A. Woods, 161 Duke Street, Hamilton, Ontario, for the position of City Electrician.

Ordered to be acknowledged and placed on file.

TRACEY LIQUOR INVESTIGATION.

Read letter Social Service Council, as follows:-

The Social Service Council of N.S.,
Halifax, February 28th, 1918.

To the Honorable Members of
City Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Executive of the Social Service Council held this afternoon I was instructed to write the City Council requesting that they deal with the matter of our request for an investigation into the charges made publicly and not yet disproven that city officials were intoxicated during the awful days following the disaster of December 6th.

I am also instructed to make request that the opportunity be given representatives of the Social Service Council to support their request when it comes before the City Council.

F. E. Barrett,
Secretary.

Referred to the City Council.

CITY PRISON REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

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

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NORTH WEST ARM TRUNK SEWER, SECTION 2.

Read certificate Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
March 2nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Certificate #6.

I beg to recommend payment to the Cook Construction Company and Wheaton Bros. of the sum of seven thousand one hundred and fifty seven dollars and seventy cents, (\$7157.70) on account on their contract for constructing the second section of the North West arm intercepting sewer from Oakland Road to Chain Rock.

Estimated value of work done	\$74,972.75
Less 10% retained	7,497.27
	<u>\$67,475.48</u>
Less paid on certificates 1 to 5	60,317.78
Balance recommended	<u>\$7,157.70</u>

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment.

LOAN \$6,000.00 FOR FIRE EQUIPMENT.

On motion of Controller Hines it is unanimously decided to recommend to City Council that the sum of \$6000. be added to the City's borrowing Bill for additional fire equipment.

HACK AND TAXI LICENSES.

On recommendation of Controller Taylor the City Solicitor is instructed to draft and submit amendments to Ordinance No. 14 relating to 'Hacks' providing for an extension of the time for submitting applications for horse drawn and motor hacks up to June 1st in any year, and requiring the full license fee to be deposited with the application.

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts are passed for payment-
City Prison, \$147.60; Library, \$3.85; Police, \$59.36.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

City Prison.

J. J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	\$12.08
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*Cont. Taylor ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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City Prison - Continued.

W. I. Hubley	Groceries	\$38.03
G. C. Hartlen & Co.	Beef	13.32
Frank Fraser	Feed and Straw	51.47
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Rental	14.85
Rainnie & Keator	Policy 500840	1.24
Neil Fox	Supplies	6.50
Clayton & Sons	Thread	2.00
Imperial Oil Co.	Royalite	1.76
Irwin & Sons	Drugs	6.35
		<u>\$147.60</u>

Citizens' Free Library.

T. C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	1.45
Canadian Finance	Subscription	2.00
Book Room	Book	.40
		<u>\$ 3.85</u>

Police Accounts.

R. N. McDonald	Acct. Rendered	2.50
Howard McPatridge	Services	12.50
Tel. & Tel. Co.	Monthly acct.	18.59
T. C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	5.95
London Rubber Stamp Co.	Stamp	.30
City Taxi Service	Taxi hire	3.00
A. M. Bell	Oil Hat	.67
Imperial Oil Co.	Oil	2.70
G. A. Burbidge	Drugs	21.65
		<u>\$ 59.36</u>

Temperance Act Enforcement.

R. H. Murray, K. C.	Legal Services	\$132.50
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The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

P. J. Martin *L. J. Vaughan*

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 7th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- Plumbing in Dwelling Houses under Health Rules.
- Public Gardens Insurance.
- City Home Tender for Ice.
- City Home Monthly Report.
- Fare Department Report for February.
- Isolation Hospital.
- Fire Protection Temporary Shelters and the Theakston Apartments.
- Fire Department Loan \$20,000.00 from Relief Commission.
- City Clerk's Stenographers.
- Electric Lighting Contract - Halifax Power Co.
- Bill Boards, E. L. Ruddy Co.
- Town Planning.
- Tuberculosis Hospital.
- Superintendent City Home.
- City Property and Market Deficit.
- Sale of Overshoes and Boots by Relief Commission.
- Oxford Street and Jubilee Road Drainage.
- City Fuel Yard.
- Water Agreement Between City and Canadian Government Railways.
- Fire Protection North End of City.
- Increase of Rentals.
- Building Laws.
- Accounts.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES UNDER HEALTH RULES.

Read report Clerk of Works re plumbing under Health Rules, as follows:-

City Works Office,
March 7th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is a statement of amounts to be collected by the City Collector for plumbing done in houses by order of the city Health Board during the year ending February 1918.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

No.	Street	Contractor	Plumbing Contract	Total
16-18-20	May	W. S. Craig	\$ 298.00	\$ 298.00
96	Gerrish	G.H. Kinsman	173.00	173.00
48	Maynard	G.H. Kinsman	144.00	144.00
105-107	Roome	E.H. Kinsman	683.00	683.00
			\$1298.00	\$1298.00

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Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council.

PUBLIC GARDENS INSURANCE.

Read tender Rainnie & Keator for insurance on Public Gardens.

The Secretary is instructed to inform Messrs. Rainnie & Keator that their tender did not come in in time, the insurance having been placed by the Board yesterday.

CITY HOME TENDER FOR ICE.

Controller Hines submits tender from Geo. Hutchinson, Dartmouth, \$30.00, for ice for the City Home for 1918-19. The only tender received.

Accepted.

CITY HOME MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report City Home for the month of February showing the number of inmates at the end of the month to have been 321. Filed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

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

Halifax, March 7th, 1918.

Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to make the following report for the month of February.-

1. There were 40 alarms of fire from the following causes:-

Chimneys, 20; defective flue, 3; stove upset, 1; oil stove, 3; electric pole, 1; plumber's lamp, 1; thawing water pipes, 2; matches, 1; automobile, 1; rubbish in cellar, 1; bonfire 1; unknown, 1; blacksmith shop; 1; smoke house, 1; bedding, 1; electric wires, 1;

Insurance at risk	\$108,100.00	
Insurance losses		\$19,520.00
Loss without Insurance		2,500.00
		<u>\$22,020.00</u>

I am unable to get the loss of the Martin-Senour Ltd. as I am informed by the Manager that all the insurance at risk was carried at Montreal and their stock was fully covered.

2. I desire to bring to the notice of your Board that during the Matrin-Senour Ltd. fire it was impossible to

Council ✓

Rainnie & Keator ✓

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raise ladders owing to the net work of wires surrounding this building, and would recommend that some action be taken to have overhead wires placed underground when possible.

3. I might add that at such fires a water tower would be of great assistance to the Department.

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

Clauses 2 and 3 of the report are referred to Controller Hines, the Chief of the Fire Department and the City Engineer and City Electrician for report.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

Read letter Halifax Relief Commission re temporary isolation hospital, as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
March 6th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our conference of yesterday, your latest proposal was considered by us and communicated to our Chairman. In view of the serious delay which will be involved in carrying out your proposal, the Commission cannot accept it.

From the standpoint of the Commission the situation is an emergency one and demands the speediest action and unless this is recognized by the City agreeing to accede to the policy of the Commission in this emergent matter, the Commission must proceed at once to make its own arrangements in order to discharge its special responsibilities.

Ralph P. Bell,
Secretary.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the City accept the decision of the relief Commission and request them to proceed with the erection of an emergency isolation hospital on the Morris Street front of the City Home property with the further request that the Commission call for new tenders for the heating and plumbing of the proposed structure.

FIRE PROTECTION TEMPORARY SHELTERS AND THE THEAKSTON APARTMENTS.

Read letter Halifax Relief Commission as follows:-

Council ✓
Cont. Hines ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
City Engineer ✓
City Electrician ✓

Council ✓

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Halifax Relief Commission,
March 6th, 1918.

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

Dear Sirs:-

A copy of report of Controller Hines of the Fire Department to His Worship the Mayor and the Board of Control re better fire protection for emergency shelters and temporary houses was submitted to the Commission this morning and it was decided that we would immediately employ a night-watchman to patrol the corridors of the "Theakston Apartments" opposite the Halifax Hotel.

The Commission is very glad to note the precaution that it is proposed to take to provide better fire protection for the buildings on the Exhibition Grounds and Common, and wishes to commend the Department for thier prompt consideration of this very important matter.

Ralph P. Bell,
Secretary.

Referred to Controller Hines, the Chief of the Fire Department and the City Engineer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT LOAN \$20,000.00 FROM RELIEF COMMISSION

Controller Hines submits the following resolution:-

Whereas the Fire Department suffered a heavy loss through the late disaster to its equipment for fighting fires, and for the protection of the property of the citizens it is necessary to replace this as soon as possible;

And Whereas the value of the damage done was considerable over twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00);

Therefore Resolved that the Halifax Relief Commission be asked to loan the Vity an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for purposes of replacing equipment damaged and destroyed by the late explosion.

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

CITY CLERK'S STENOGRAPHERS.

Again read report Controller Finlay submitted at meeting March 5th.

Moved by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted.
Not seconded.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that Miss Mary Langdon and Miss Carry Higgins be temporarily appointed as stenographers in the City Clerk's

*Cont. Hines ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
Engineer ✓
Clerk*

Council ✓

*Miss M Langdon ✓
Miss C Higgins ✓
Auditor ✓*

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Office at the salaries mentioned in Controller Finlay's report. Motion passed.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT - HALIFAX POWER CO.

Again read letter from the Halifax Power Company submitted at meeting March 5th.

The letter is ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.

BILL BOARDS, E. L. RUDDY CO.

Read application E. L. Ruddy Company for permits for bill boards, as follows:-

- On Fence immediately west of 76 South Street.
- On Vacant Lot south of 101 Upper Water Street.
- On Fence on Vacant Lot Market Street immediately north of the north west corner of Market and George Sts.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

TOWN PLANNING.

Read notice from the Town Planning Board as follows:

Halifax, N. S., Mar. 4th, 1918.

Nova Scotia Town Planning Act -1915.

To the Board of Control and
City Council, Halifax. N. S.

Gentlemen:-

I hereby give you notice pursuant to the above Act and Article One of the Town Planning Procedure Regulations 1916, that application is intended to be made at the expiration of four weeks from the service of this notice by this Board to the Commissioner of Works and Mines, for authority to prepare a Town Planning Scheme in respect to the lands situated on the City of Halifax as described on the attached sheet and as enclosed within a red border on the map marked "Map No. 1", which has been deposited at the City Engineer's Office, City Hall, Halifax, and which map will be open for inspection by any person interested without payment of any fee until the first day of April, 1918, on any Saturday between the hours of 10 A. M. and 1 P. M. and on any other week day between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M.

I hereby also give you further notice that if and when application is made to the Commissioner for authority to prepare a scheme, notice of the application will be made by advertisement in the Mail and Echo newspapers and if such authority is given notice of the fact will be given in like manner.

I also give you notice that if you desire to confer with the Board in regard to the proposed application, the Board will on being so informed be prepared to arrange for a conference at any time within twenty-one (21) days from

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the service of this notice upon you.

R. M. Hattie,
Secretary to the Town Planning
Board.

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Copy of Advertisement Containing Description of
Area proposed to be included in Town Planning Scheme of
Halifax Town Planning Board.

N. S. Town Planning Act, 1915
City of Halifax
Town Planning Scheme.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Town Planning Act, 1915, and the Procedure Regulations under the Act that the Town Planning Board of the City of Halifax intends at the expiration of four weeks from the date of publication of this Notice to apply to the Commissioner of Public Works and Mines for authority to prepare a Town Planning Scheme in respect to the lands situated in the City of Halifax as described below and enclosed within a red border on the map marked "Map No. 1." which has been deposited at the Office of the City Engineer, City Hall, Halifax, and which map will be open to inspection by any person interested, without payment of any fee, until the first day of April, 1918, on any Saturday between the hours of 10. a. m. and 1 p. m. and on any other week day between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN HEREBY that when application is made to the Commissioner of Public Works and Mines for such authority to prepare a scheme, notice of the Application will be given by advertisement in the newspapers, and if such authority is given, notice of the fact will also be given in like manner.

Dated this fourth day of March, 1918.

R. M. Hattie,
Secretary to Town Planning
Board.

DESCRIPTION OF AREA

Beginning at the shore of the North West Arm where the same is intersected by the north boundary of Point Pleasant Park; thence in a north-westwardly direction by the shore of the North West Arm to the North West Arm Bridge; thence northerly and easterly by the centre line of the Dutch Village Road to the shore of Bedford Basin, following the boundary line dividing the City of Halifax from the Municipality of Halifax; thence easterly, northerly and southerly by the shore of Bedford Basin and the Harbour of Halifax to a point formed by the intersection of the said shore with the extension into the Harbour of the north line of the Wellington Barracks, so called; thence in a south-westerly direction by the said extension of the north line of the said Wellington Barracks property and the north line of the said property to the east line of Gottingen Street; thence in a south easterly direction by the said east line of Gottingen Street to the south line of North Street; thence in a south-westerly direction by the

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said south line of North Street to the east line of Robie Street; thence southerly to the east line of Robie Street to the north line of South Street; thence easterly by the north line of South Street to the west line of Pleasant Street; thence southerly by the west line of Pleasant Street to the north line of property recently acquired by the Dominion Government for the purposes of the Halifax Ocean Terminals Railway; thence westerly, southerly and westerly by the various corners of the boundary line of the said Dominion Government Property to the east line of South Bland Street; thence southerly by the said east line of South Street to the south line of Atlantic Street; thence westerly by the said south line of Atlantic Street to the east line of McLean Street; thence southerly by the said east line of McLean Street to the south line of Owen Street; thence westerly by the south line of Owen Street to the east line of Young Avenue; thence southerly by the east line of Young Avenue to the north line of Clarence Street; thence easterly by the north line of Clarence Street and by the boundary of the above mentioned Dominion Government property to the boundary of Point Pleasant Park, so called; thence southerly by the said Point Pleasant Park boundary to the south line of Miller Street; thence westerly by the said south line of Miller Street to east line of Francklyn Street; thence south-easterly by the east line of Francklyn Street to the north boundary line of Point Pleasant Park, thence south-westerly by the said boundary line of Point Pleasant Park to the place of beginning. The above described area being shown enclosed by a red line on a Plan entitled "Halifax Town Planning Scheme, Map No. 1, signed by H. W. Johnston, Acting City Engineer, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax on the fourth day of March, A. D. 1918, as plan No. 4098."

Referred to the City Council for its information.

The City Engineer is requested to keep the Board of Control posted as to the transactions of the Town Planning Board.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read joint report Controllers Finlay and Hines and letter from Dr. W. H. Hattie, Provincial Health Officer, re the selection of a site for a permanent tuberculosis hospital, as follows:-

Halifax, March 7th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

On behalf of the committee appointed by the Board to look up a suitable site upon which to construct the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital. Your Committee beg to report that shortly after its appointment your committee met and delegated a sub-committee composed of the acting City Engineer, Dr. W. H. Hattie, and myself to select a site. We examined various properties, eventually deciding upon that

Council ✓
City Engineer ✓

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portion of land situated near the mouth of the Arm, immediately north of Point Pleasant Park, commonly known as the People's Heat and Light Company's property at present owned by the N. S. Tram & Power Co. In the opinion of Dr. Hattie and myself this property is an ideal one for the purpose above mentioned, being well sheltered fronting on the Arm, having a southerly and western exposure, is within the City limits and only about ten minutes walk from the car line. It has all the facilities of sewerage, gas, water, and electric light as well as peacable atmosphere so necessary for people suffering from this dreaded disease.

The property has a frontage on the Arm of 550 feet by 960 feet in depth, containing approximately 10 1/2 acres. The assessed value of whole property is Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000.00). As the property is much more than required and the price asked by owner is so much out of proportion to the assessed value they recommended that the southerly half of this part of land adjoining the park be acquired for a site for the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital and that the necessary legal proceedings be taken to expropriate the same.

Appended is the report of W. H. Hattie approving of this site.

A. J. Finlay,
Controller.

J. J. Hines,
Controller.

Dept. of Public Health, N. S.,
Halifax, March 6th, 1918.

Controller A. J. Finlay,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Finlay:-

In compliance with your request for an opinion with reference to the suitability of the site near the mouth of the North West Arm, and to the north and west of the park, for the proposed hospital for tuberculosis, I have no hesitation in saying, that of the various sites, visited in company with you and the acting city engineer, this is much the most desirable. This site is a very beautiful one and is likely to always remain well open to sun and breeze. While not as accessible to the tram line as the Hazelwood site, it is free from the most reasonable objection offered to the Hazelwood site, namely: the smoke and noise of passing trains. I regard it as a very good location for the proposed hospital, and feel that it embraces practically all of the points in favour of the Hazelwood site.

W. H. Hattie,
Provincial Health Officer.

It is unanimously decided to recommend the foregoing to the City Council for approval.

SUPERINTENDENT CITY HOME.

Read applications in response to advertisement in the newspapers for the position of Superintendent of the City

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Home, as follows:-

- Wm. J. O'Connell, 26 Jubilee Road.
- Adam J. Cruikshanks, 108 West Street.
- John H. Buchanan,
- Arnold Marshall, Eastern Passage.
- R. L. Berringer, 5 Shirley Street.
- E. E. Coates, Dundas Street, Dartmouth.

Referred to Controller Hines for report.

The Board decided to meet later for the purpose of receiving Controller Hines' report.

Shortly after the adjournment of this meeting the Board reassembled and received Controller Hines' report recommending the appointment of John H. Buchanan as Superintendent of the City Home at \$1,500.00 per year beginning May 1st, 1918.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy that the recommendation be approved and submitted to the City Council for concurrence. Motion passed.

Council ✓

CITY PROPERTY AND MARKET MAINTENANCE DEFICIT.

Read letter and financial statement City Auditor re deficit in City Property and Market Maintenance account, as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
March 6th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I enclose statement from Committee on Works showing that it will require to May 1st, 1918, approximately \$1,800.00 to balance account of current year of City Property and Market Maintenance, as appears in the Estimates.

This will require Legislation to arrange.

W. W. Foster,
City Auditor.

City Property and Market Maintenance Account.

May 1917 to March 1918.

Receipts and Appropriation.....\$2,501.70

Expenditure

City Property	Market	
\$2,520.69	\$1,765.79	4,286.48
	overdrawn	1,784.78

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\$1,784.78

Unpaid Accounts.

<u>City Property</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Total</u>
1,239.68	206.40	1,446.08

Estimated expenditure to May 1st

120.00	342.34	<u>462.34</u>	1,908.42
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\$3,693.20

Market Receipts

2,075.70

Balance to be provided

\$1,617.50

Council ✓

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that legislation be sought authorizing the City to pay the deficit, not to exceed \$1,500.00.

SALE OF OVERSHOES AND BOOTS BY RELIEF COMMISSION.

Controller Finlay referred to an advertisement in the newspapers by the Relief Commission announcing a sale of overshoes, rubbers, boots. He thought these goods should be sold by the Relief Commission to the dealers and not to the Citizens generally.

*His worship the Mayor ✓
Chairman*

Referred to the City Council's Advisory Committee to take up with the relief Commission.

OXFORD STREET AND JUBILEE ROAD DRAINAGE.

Controller Hines called attention to a complaint of S. O. Hogg of water backing up at his property Oxford Street and Jubilee Road.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

CITY FUEL YARD.

Read reports Acting City Engineer and Clerk of Works re the operations of the City Fuel Yard during the past season, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
March 7th, 1918.

His worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith the accounts for the City Fuel Yard. From these it will be seen that there was sold 3425½ tons of bituminous coal and 703½ tons of anthracite. 639 tons of the former and 298 tons of the latter were sold to citizens, the balance being required for municipal purposes.

The City obtained the bituminous coal required for their own use at \$7.60 per ton or 90¢ below the dealers'

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price at the time, and the anthracite at \$13.50 or \$1.00 below the prices being charged by the dealers. This means that there was a total saving to the City on Fuel Account of over \$2900.00 and there is a balance of \$762.65 to carry forward as a nucleus for doing the same work next year should it be deemed advisable to undertake it.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

City Fuel Yard - 1917.

Liabilities -

Paid accounts as per statement Clerk of Works \$33441.52

Liabilities outstanding

Milford Milling Co. \$98.55

Demurrage (in dispute) 408.00

Coal weighers fees additional 192.09

Trucking and trimming (to be adjusted) 381.07

1079.71

Total Liabilities

\$34521.23

Assets-

Cash received from citizens

8704.16

Due from schools

1750 /1700 tons Bit. @ \$7.60 -13306.46

170 /1020 " anthra @ 13.50 2231 .08

" " Engine Houses

195/500 tons Bit. @ 7.60 1483.90

31/600 " anthra @ 13.50 422.55

" " Court House and Jail

135 tons Bit @ \$7.60 1026.00

43 /940 tons Anthra. @ 13.50 586.84

" " Other city property

705/525 tons Bit. @ \$7.60 5359.99

160 tons anth. @ \$13.50 2162.90

26579.72

35283.88

Balance

\$762.65

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City Fuel Yard - 1917 - Details of Coal Supplied.

S C H O O L S

Bituminous

Anthracite.

Academy 36 tons

Acadian 36

Africville 6

Alexandra 91

Alexander McKay 125

Bloomfield Common)

Bloomfield High) 225 - 1600 lbs.

Chebucto Road 177 - 1900 lbs.

College Street. 1

60-790 lbs.

Halifax Industrial Sch.

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Joseph Howe 100

LeMarchant Street 59 @ 900

Manuel Training 61 - 1400

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	<u>Bituminous</u>	<u>Anthracite</u>
Orphanage (Protestant)	3	
" (R. C.)		12
Morris Street	90	
Oxford Street	65 - 1300	
Quinpool road	80 - 1300	
Richmond	76	
St. Joseph's	91 - 700	
St. Mary's Boys'	54	
" " Girls'	1	82-230
St. Patrick's Boys'	80	
" " Girls (Common)		
" " " High	161 - 600	
" " Home		8
Tower Road	125	
School Board workshop	3	
	<u>1750 - 1700</u>	<u>170 - 1020</u>
<u>Engine Houses</u>		
Central	46-1000 lbs.	4 -300
Ialesville	13	
West	40	4
Quinpool Road	6	7
Morris St	41	7-1400
Bedford Row	40-500	4-1900
Spring Garden Rd.		3-1000
Grafton St.	8-1000	
	<u>195- 500</u>	<u>31-600</u>
County Court House	80	43-940
County Jail	55	
	<u>135</u>	<u>43-940</u>
<u>Other City Property.</u>		
City Home	374-725	24-510
City Prison	100	10
City Stone Crusher	15	
City Workshops	74-800	
City Hall	41	114-60
City Market	27	
City Stables	1	
Steam Roller	6	
Sidewalks	2	
Chain Lakes pipe house	1 -1000	5
Sewers	14-1000	
Public Gardens	31	6-1860
Infectious Disease Hosp.	19	
	<u>705- 525</u>	<u>160-430</u>
<u>Sales to Private Persons.</u>		
	638 -1900	298
<u>Total Sale of Coal</u>		
Bituminous	3425 @ 625	
Anthracite	703 - 990	

City Fuel Special Account.

Receipts, payments, and Liabilities outstanding up to
and including March 6th, 1918.

	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
Dominion Coal Co.	\$11645.01	

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	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Outstanding.</u>
Freight & Shunting	4638.82	
Milford Mining Co.	4320.31	98.55
Freight & Shunting	909.92	
Martin Camp Co. (Rail)	2399.50	
" " " (Vessel)	1654.00	
Freight & Shunting	2046.25	
" " Vessel	1654.00	
Watchman at Wharf	34.00	
" " Cotton Fcty.	230.00	
Buckley Coal & Cont. Co.	3708.29	366.97
Grant, Oxley Co. Insurance	66.00	
Extra truckage on coal	3.75	
G.P. Henry, use of scales	1.83	
Brookfield Bros. Lumber	12.32	
Telegrams, New York	2.59	
A & W. McKinley, printed	7.70	
Demurrage on cars (indispute)		408.00
Shovelling coal at yard	16.50	
City weighers	55.60	
Advertising	68.04	
Exchange on Draft to N.Y.	20.12	
Hogan & Co. repairs to scales	44.40	
W. Gates, stove and pipe	7.00	
	<u>\$33441.52</u>	<u>\$1065.61.</u>

Total receipts from sales of coal to private parties.....\$8704.16.

All coal supplied to private parties by this department was paid for in advance.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Approved and recommended to the City Council for concurrence.

WATER AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY AND CANADIAN GOVERNMENT

RAILWAYS.

The City Engineer lays upon the table a draft of an agreement between the Canadian Government Railways and the City of Halifax for supply of water from the City.

Referred to the City Engineer and Controller Murphy for report.

FIRE PROTECTION NORTH END OF THE CITY.

Controller Hines recommends for the protection of the temporary shelters on the Exhibition Grounds and for the protection of the north end property generally that the Relief Commission be requested to erect a temporary fire station on the incinerator property or give the Fire

Council ✓

Engineer ✓
Cont Murphy ✓

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Department the use of one of the buildings at present used by the Contractors on the said Incinerator property for the accommodation of a chemical engine and horses and men and that the offer of the American LaFrance Fire Engine Company to repair the motor fire engine "Patricia" for \$6,000.00 be accepted, the said engine when repaired to be placed in the temporary fire station proposed to be erected.

Council ✓

Controller Hines' recommendation is approved and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council.

INCREASE OF RENTALS.

Moved by Controller Murphy, that the City Solicitor be requested to draft an Act providing for the control by the City of rentals so as to prevent landlords taking advantage of existing conditions caused by the explosion by increasing rentals.

M/C ✓

Consideration of the report is deferred.

BUILDING LAWS.

On motion of Controller Murphy it is decided to recommend to the Council that the City Solicitor be authorized to draft and submit to the Local Legislature an Act authorizing the City to revise the City's Building Laws and put the same into operation when so revised.

Council ✓

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts are passed for payments: City Home, \$6466.11; General, \$1712.20; Gardens, \$336.48; Fire Department, \$1205.05; Works Dept., \$6292.89.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

City Home.

Wentzells Ltd.	Flour, etc.	1134.76
H. L. Williston	Meats	559.37
A. Wilson & Sch	Fresh Fish	57.15
Smith & Proctor	Butter	327.60
William Rogers	Milk	159.60
Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	3.60
F. W. Fraser	Forage	35.22
The Buckley coal Co.	Coal	521.06
Davis & Fraser	Mess Pork	104.50
W. Y. Kennedy	Dry goods	107.79
N. S. Tram Co.	Light	47.86

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City Home - Continued.

Amherst Boot & Shoe Co,	Boots	18.00
H. H. Marshall	Newspaper	6.00
Dr. L. Thomas	Lunacy certificate	10.00
Dr. Fraser Harris	do	5.00
Brander, Morris & Co.	Blinds, etc.	96.85
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	10.54
Jas. Simmonds, Ltd.	Hardware	78.10
T. C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	1.50
H. McPatrick	Horseshoeing	2.95
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Exchange Service	7.50
Halifax Herald	Advertising	4.18
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	6.29
A. Carter	Repairs	5.65
Hillis & Sons	Sections for range	4.20
A. J. McNutt	Repairs	5.65
Fraser Bros.	Team Hire	6.00
B. J. Mulcahy	Cash expended	415.80
Salaries	Pay sheet, Feb.	831.80
		<u>777.39.60</u>
N. S. Hospital	Maintenance	2066.11
		<u>\$2843.51</u>

General Accounts.

London Rubber Stamp. Co.	Stamps	
	Collector .50	
	Clerk .50	1.00
A. & W. MacKinlay	Books	
	Collector .35	
	Assessor 22.75	
	Treasurer 2.50	25.60
T. C. Allen & Co.	Stationery, etc.	
	Collector 7.70	
	Clerk 5.50	
	Assessor 8.95	
	Mayor 14.35	36.50
Halifax Herald	Advertising	28.91
Blackadar Bros.	do	27.15
E. M. Vieth	Allowance	10.00
Canada Law Book Co.	Vol. 29, U. C. C.	3.00
St. Patrick's Home	Juvenile Offenders	388.17
do	Truants	571.16
Hazelwood Hospital	Maintenance of patients, gr. end - ing Feb. 1st,	615.71
		<u>\$1712.20</u>

Gardens.

Acadian Fire Insurance Co.	Policy, 3 yrs.	148.00
Tramway Co.	Electric Light	3.29
W. P. Meyer	Brooms, etc.	56.75
Fenwick nurseries	Seeds	11.55
Geo. D. McKenzie Co	Coal	64.00
Geo. A. Perrier	Furnace bars, etc.	11.55
S. C. Thompson	Fodder	49.44
		<u>\$336.48</u>

Fire Department

Tramway Co.	Light & Power	38.07
Ungar's Laundry	Work	10.30
Brander, Morris Co.	Linoleum	127.00
Burns & Kelliber	Packing	9.50
James T. Brodie	Lumber	70.88

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Fire Dept.- continued.

T. C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	1.45
City Home	Wood	1.00
Cragg Bros.	Hose	287.50
C. P. R. Tel. Co.	Telegrams	10.60
James Donohue	Metal Basket	24.00
E. B. Eddy Co.	Paper	9.07
Globe Manufacturing Co.	Coats	135.50
Robt Horner	Horseshoeing	17.25
Hillis & Sons	Car bumpers	36.25
C. H. Jordan	Horseshoeing	3.75
A. H. Lamphier	Carriagework	4.25
London Rubber Stamp. Co.	Stamp	1.35
John McInnes & Son	Lumber	42.76
Dr. H. McFatridge	Horseshoeing	8.80
A. J. McNutt	Repairs	12.00
P. O. Sculis	Repairs	.50
Sheehan Motor Co.	Driving	6.00
Stroud & Gveleigh	Carriagework	3.65
Telephone Co.	Phones	42.84
Farquhar Bros.	Plumbing	1.35
Frank W. Fraser	Fodder	299.33
		<u>\$1205.05</u>

Works Department.

Streets	273.49
Fuel	127.60
Internal Health	353.61
City Hall Lighting	150.45
Sewerage	176.12
Street Lighting	3861.60
Teams and Stables	267.13
Water Maintenance	457.06
City Property	66.57
Fuel	366.97
Fuel	192.09
	<u>\$6292.69</u>

The Board adjourned.

P. J. Martin
MAYOR.

L. Fred Wray
CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 7th, 1918.

A meeting of the Board of Control was held this evening at 8 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor.

SUPERANNUATION CHIEF OF POLICE JOHN A. RUDLAND.

Read report City Treasurer as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
March 7th, 1918.

His Worship Mayor Martin and
Members of Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In re superannuation of Chief of Police John A. Rudland, the Police Superannuation Fund will pay $\frac{24}{35}$ of his salary, \$1097.14 and the amount to be levied will be $\frac{1}{35}$, viz.- \$45.72.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Trustees,

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

On motion of Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay it is decided to recommend to Council that Chief of Police John A. Rudland be superannuated at his own request at an allowance of ~~\$142.86~~ ^{\$1142.86}, being the allowance for twenty-five years' service on his present salary of \$1,600.00 and that any amount required in addition to the amount he is entitled to receive from the Police Superannuation Fund be included in the estimates each year and that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare any requisite legislation.

The Board adjourned.

P. H. Martin
MAYOR.

L. J. O'Rourke
CITY CLERK

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Taylor, Finlay, Murphy and Hines.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Water Rates, T. L. E. Piers, 266 Jubilee Road.
Fuel Shortage,
Damage to School Properties.
Electric Lighting Contract.
Rate of Interest on City Bonds.
Electric Wiring Inspection.
Fire Alarm ~~W~~ Signal Boxes.
Temperance Act Inspector.
Fire Protection Temporary Dwellings.
City Home Deficit, \$9,294.03
Superintendent City Home.
City Electrician.
Cash Statement, City Treasurer.
Temporary Huts, North Common.
Colin F. McGillvary, Superannuation.
Bill Boards.
Water Supply, Willow Park.
Halifax Power Company, Plebiscite.
Police Appointments.
Purchase of Hose.

WATER RATES, T. L. E. PIERS, 266 JUBILEE ROAD.

Read letter T. L. E. Piers re water rates charged him for premises 266 Jubilee Road. Referred to City Engineer for report. *Filed.*

FUEL SHORTAGE.

Read letter Hon. R. G. Beazley, Fuel Controller, re shortage of fuel supply as follows:-

Fuel Controller for Canada,

Halifax, N. S., March 11th, 1918

City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Respecting your letter of March 10th, containing extracts from letter of "Monetary Times" of Toronto in regard to fuel supply for winter of 1918-19, I think the matter might well be left in the hands of the Canadian Fuel Controller appointed by the Federal Government, who, at the present time, are preparing such Legislation as will effectively deal with all the phases of the situation referred to by the "Monetary Times".

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Respectfully yours,

R. G. Beazley.

Filed.

DAMAGE TO SCHOOL PROPERTY.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners
as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners,
Halifax, N. S., March 11/1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter of March 6th,
re appraisalment of damage to school properties,
I am directed to say that the Board has this mat-
ter at present under consideration, and as
soon as the total information is complete, will
submit the same to you.

I am,

Yours very truly,

S. J. Wilson,

Secretary.

Filed.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

Read letter Nova Scotia Tram and Power Com-
pany re Electric Lighting Contract, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., March 8th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

I beg to call your attention to the fact
that the Contract for Street lighting between
the City and this Company expired on the 1st inst-
ant.

In renewing the Contract in 1917 it was
pointed out to the City that this Compnay would not
agree to any further extension of the said Contract
at the price then prevailing.

In order that I may be able to submit the
question to my Directors for decision will you not

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Board of Control

kindly ascertain and advise me at your convenience what the wish of the City Officials is in connection with the further supply of Street Lighting.

Yours truly,

H. R. Mallison,

Managing Director.

RATE OF INTEREST ON CITY BONDS.

Read report Controller Finlay recommending that legislature ^{be} be obtained fixing the rate of interest on City Bonds not to exceed 6%, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
March 11th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and
Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

After consultation with the City Auditor and the City Treasurer and in compliance with the suggestion embodied in letters received from various brokers, I beg to advise that Legislation be obtained at the present session, to amend Sub-Section B. Sec. 4, Cap. 51 Acts 1905. The Sub-section now reads "with such rate of interest, not exceeding five (5) per cent", if amended it will read, "not exceeding six (6) percent".

This would greatly facilitate the sale of our Bonds and of course, would keep down the capital debt while not materially altering the interest account, in the present state of the money market.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Finlay,

Controller.

Approved.

ELECTRIC WIRING INSPECTION.

Read letter City Electrician re Electric

Wiring Inspection, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
Halifax, N. S., March 11, 1918

To His Worship the Mayor,
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Cont. Finlay ✓

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✓ Alderman Parker

re wire inspection where temporary repairs are being made in the North end of the City, I beg to report, that as far as I know, all repairs to wiring are being inspected; in cases where service has been discontinued, no permits for re-connection have been issued without inspection since about a week or ten days after the explosion.

Respectfully submitted,

P. R. Colpitt,

City Electrician.

A copy of the report ordered to be forwarded to Alderman Parker.

FIRE ALARM SIGNAL BOXES.

Read report of City Electrician as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
Halifax, N., S. Mar. 11th, 1918

To His Worship the Mayor,
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

With reference to the estimate for additional F. A. Signal Boxes, I beg to recommend the following lay-out.

- Russell St, near Isléville.
- Almon & Robie St.,
- Windsor & North St.,
- Lawrence, midway between Windsor & Harvard.
- Chebucto & Mumford Rd.,
- Rosebank & Jubilee Rd.,
- Preston & York St.,
- Louisburg & Shirley St.,
- Chestnut & Watt St.,
- Robie & Bliss St.,
- Waterloo & South St.,
- Fenwick & Queen St.,
- Pleasant & Tobin St.,
- Granville & George St.,
- Grafton & Buckingham St.,

The total cost if best grade successive type Boxes are selected will be about \$4,000.00

In this estimate there is no provision made for the devastated area where most of the six boxes were destroyed, on the assumption that nothing will be required in that district for at least a year.

The installation of Alarm circuits should receive attention if the signal system is to be increased as above outlined. This would reduce the risk of open circuits on the signal system and at the same time provide additional alarm boxes service in the Engine houses. I would suggest however, that the additional Boxes

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be installed first, and leaving the consideration of Alarm Circuits for another year.

The accompanying plan shows the Boxes now in service, with the proposed additions distinctly marked, also those at present out of service.

Respectfully submitted,

P. R. Colpitt,

City Electrician.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy that the City Solicitor be instructed to add to the City's Borrowing Bill the sum of \$6,000.00 for the ^{purpose of improving} ~~purchase and improvement~~ of the fire alarm system.)

Motion passed. The City Electrician is instructed to further report ^{as to} the probable cost of ~~the~~ fire alarm boxes and the probable date of delivery if purchased.

TEMPERANCE ACT INSPECTOR.

Read application E. S. Tracey, ^{for the} position of ~~an~~ Inspector under ^{the} Nova Scotia Temperance Act.

Moved by Controller Finlay that Mr. Tracey be appointed inspector, not seconded. Consideration of ^{the} application is deferred until the regular time for ^{the appointment} ~~applications~~ of Officials ^{in the} ~~until~~ month of May.

FIRE PROTECTION TEMPORARY DWELLINGS.

Controller Hines and the City Electrician are authorized to utilize two of the fire alarm boxes of the devastated area for protection of the Temporary residences erected on the North Common, one to be installed at the Corner of Sackville and North Park ^{streets} and other at the Exhibition Grounds.

CITY HOME DEFICIT, \$9,294.03

Controller Hines submits statement showing

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Solicitor ✓
Electrician ✓
Auditor ✓
Cont. Hines ✓

Asst. City Clerk ✓
E. S. Tracey ✓

Cont. Hines ✓
Electrician ✓

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deficit in the City Home appropriation, for the current year \$9,294.03, as follows:-

Probable Receipts & Expenditure.

City Home, March & April, 1918.

(1)

Dr.

To account March & Apr.	\$11,000.00
" Coal	3,172.60
" Ins. N. S. Hospital	650.00
" J. T. Logan, Wood.	390.00
" Repairs, No. 7 N.	225.00
" Furniture, No. 7 N.	60.00

\$15,497.60

Cr.

By cash balance	\$3,422.29	
" Prov. Government	1,684.73	
" cash on hand	275.00	
" Receipts fr. wood	400.00	
" Receipts from maintenance & Let.	421.55	<u>6,203.57</u>

Balance Dr. \$ 9,294.03

(2)

Expenditure.

	Estimate	Cash	Deficit.
Coal	3150.00	5016.86	1866.86
Salaries	9543.00	10492.91	949.91
Flour	4422.00	5637.60	1215.60
Batter	2450.00	2519.11	69.11
Milk	1471.50	1698.54	227.04
Meat	5300.00	6686.59	1386.59
Mess Pork	800.00	1250.20	450.20
Potatoes	1200.00	1917.33	717.33
Dry Goods	1700.00	2475.79	775.79
Light	390.00	465.00	75.00
Nurses Clothing	200.00	269.50	69.50
Sundry Furnishings	30.00	198.48	168.48

\$50656.50 : \$38627.91 : \$7971.41

Revenue

Transient Poor	3900.00	3400.00	500.00
			<u>\$8471.41</u>

Expenditure not Estimated for.

Kitchen range	212.00
Repairs to Plumbing	68.65

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Drain Pipe	35.00
Repairs to Bake Oven	25.30
Repairs to Boilers	99.72
Window Blinds.	96.85
Repairs No. 7	225.00
Furniture No. 7	60.00
	<hr/>
	\$9 294.03

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller

Finlay that the sum be included in the City's Borrowing Bill and that it be placed on the Tax Bills as a special rate. Motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT CITY HOME.

Read letter John H. Buchanan re his application for the position of Superintendent of the City Home, Deferred until Thursday's meeting.

CITY ELECTRICIAN.

Read application J. D. Purdy, 1124 Fiske St. Scranton, Pa

The Secretary is instructed to inform Mr. Purdy that there is no vacancy in the office of City Electrician at the present time.

CASH STATEMENT, CITY TREASURER.

Read Cash Statement of City Treasurer for the month of February. Filed.

TEMPORARY HUTS ON NORTH COMMON.

Read report Acting City Engineer covering letter Major General Lessard, re temporary buildings for troops on North Common, as follows:
Halifax, N. S. March 11th, 1918.

From the General Officer Commanding
Military District No. 6.
To H. W. Johnston Esq.,
Acting City Engineer
Halifax, N. S.

HUTS -HALIFAX NORTH COMMON.

Sir:-

As it is the intention of the Militia Department to erect temporary buildings for troops on the North Common of Halifax, a plan of proposed site is attached for your information, and I would ask that your Council approve of same. An early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,
F. L. Lessard,
Major General
Commanding Military District #6

TEMPORARY HUTS ON NORTH COMMON.
City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N., S. Mar. 12/1918

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached letter received from the General Officer Commanding Military District #6, asking for permission to erect temporary buildings for troops on the North Common of Halifax. I understand from the Department that these huts are being erected for temporary accommodation during the war and the demobilization of troops after it. The fee simple of the Common vests in the City, and the City can refuse or grant permission to the Militia

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Department to erect temporary structures thereon.

Should the Board decide to accede to the request of the Department, I would suggest that an agreement be prepared by the City Solicitor, covering the use of the Common for the intended purpose, with a clause that the buildings be removed within a specified period after the termination of the war.

Respectfully submitted.

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the

Military authorities be given permission to erect the temporary buildings referred to and the report of the Acting City Engineer is adopted.

COLIN MCGILLVARY, - SUPERANNUATION.

Read request, Colin F. McGillvary, Sewer Foreman, that he be superannuated beginning May 1st. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

BILL BOARDS.

Read report Acting City Engineer on application of the E. L. Ruddy Company for permission to erect Bill Boards, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N. S. March 12, 1918

BILL BOARDS.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the following applications from the E. L. Ruddy Co. Ltd., for permission to erect bill boards at various points of the City.

1. Vacant lot N. E. Corner of Coburg Rd. and Chestnut St.
2. " " west of #100 Coburg Rd.
3. On lot north side of Jubilee Road near #215.

These three bill boards are proposed in what may be considered as one of the best residential districts in the City and would be prominent features on the landscape in this district.

There are, undoubtedly, certain locations in the City where bill boards as recently erected by the E. L. Ruddy Co. have made an improvement in the general appearance of the lot and street, but I am of the opinion that the erection of the

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Council ✓
Engineer ✓
- my endorsement ✓

Engineer ✓

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boards in the localities asked for above, would detract considerable from the appearance of the district and possibly have a depreciating effect on the value of property there.

4. Wall of house at the north-west corner of Gottingen and Cunard Streets.

This is a case where the erection of a board in the proposed location would undoubtedly be an improvement over existing conditions and I would recommend that the permission asked for in this case be granted.

5. At the north east corner of Quinpool Road and Kline Street.

Quinpool Road is the main artery leading out of the City to the west, and is building up with a good class of residences. For the same reasons as given in connection with the first three boards, I am unable to recommend permission for a bill board in this location.

6. Chebucto Road-133' east of Willow Street.

This board has already been erected without any permit and I have received numerous objections from property owners in the vicinity. It is within the residential district, and I think as a matter of general policy, no board should be allowed to be erected within this district except under exceptional circumstances where the erection may make an improvement. I cannot recommend a permit for this board.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

The report of the Acting City Engineer with exception of clause 4 is adopted and permits for the bill boards asked for, refused. Clause 4 of the report are permits for bill boards on the wall of house on the Northwest corner of Gottingen and Cunard Streets, is deferred for the present.

WATER SUPPLY, WILLOW PARK.

Controllers Hines and Taylor and His Worship the Mayor informed the Board of receipt by them of complaints of lack of water supply at Willow Park. Deferred for consultation with City Engineer.

Engineer ✓
A P Byron ✓
E L Kuddy Co

Engineer ✓

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HALIFAX POWER COMPANY-PLEBISCITE.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Solicitor is requested to submit in writing his opinion as to the percentage of votes required to be polled in favor of the bringing into force an act to authorize the City to become ^a shareholder in the Halifax Power Company.

Solicitor ✓

POLICE APPOINTMENTS.

On motion of Controller Taylor it is unanimously decided to recommend to the City Council that Acting Chief of Police, Frank Hanrahan be appointed Chief of Police, to begin from April 15, 1918. ~~On recommendation of~~ and recommended by Controller Taylor ~~that~~ Acting Deputy Chief of Police Clarence Northover ~~be~~ is appointed Deputy Chief of Police, and Acting Police Sergt. Robert Young, is appointed ^a Sergeant of Police.

Council ✓
Cont. Taylor ✓
City Police ✓

PURCHASE OF HOSE.

On motion of Controller Hines, the Secretary is instructed to advertise for tenders for 2000 feet of hose, tenders to be receivable up to April 18th.

City Clerk ✓
Cont. Hines ✓

The Board adjourned.

P. J. Martin
MAYOR

L. J. Cunningham
CITY CLERK.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL.

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The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Finlay, Taylor, Murphy and Hines.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- Water Supply Willow Park.
- Chinese Laundry-Kent & Barrington Sts.
- Bill Boards.
- Recruiting Station Grand Parade.
- Coal Weighers Report for February.
- Isolation Hospital.
- Water Street Cleaning Up.
- Police Appointments.
- Water Supply, John Mullane, 146 Agricola St.
- Special License Fees.
- Poles in Streets.
- Halifax Power Company Plebiscite.
- Superintendent City Home.

WATER SUPPLY WILLOW PARK.

Alderman Parker appeared before the Board and complained of lack of water supply at Willow Park. The Acting City Engineer in reply to Alderman Parker stated that the shortage will continue while the cold weather lasts, but the service will improve when the waste is stopped.

CHINESE LAUNDRY.-KENT & BARRINGTON STREETS

Read petition against the utilization of the building on the corner of Barrington and Kent Streets as a Chinese Laundry and Boarding House., also letter J. H. Holland on the same subject.

The Acting Engineer informed the Board that the property in question is not in the residential district, the letter and petition are referred to the City Solicitor for report.

BILL BOARDS.

Read application E. L. Ruddy Co. for permission to erect bill board on the north-west corner of

Engineer ✓
The
Solicitor ✓

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Cunard and Hunter Streets. ^{the} Board is addressed by A. P. Ryan representing the E. L. Ruddy Company.

The application is referred to the City Engineer to consult with ^{the} Alderman ^e for wards 4 and 5 and report.

RECRUITING STATION GRAND PARADE.

^{Colonel} Read letter ^{the} W. E. Thompson re building on the Grand Parade, formerly used as a Recruiting Station, as follows:-

Military And Defence,
Halifax, N. S. March 13th, 1918

To - The City Clerk;
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Adverting to previous correspondence regarding the building on the Parade formerly used as a Recruiting Station, and latterly as a shelter for Cabmen, will you please inform me at your earliest convenience if the City Authorities would be disposed to take over this building without cost, and to dispose of it in any manner they may see fit.

Yours truly,

W. E. Thompson, Colonel.

Asst. Adjt.-General, Military District No 6

The City Engineer is instructed to move the building to the City Storeyard, on Bell Road.

COAL WEIGHERS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

Read report for Coal Weighers for month of February, showing each man to have received \$700⁴ Filed.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

The City Clerk is instructed to write ^{the} Relief Commission requesting them to proceed with the construction of ^{an} the Isolation Hospital on the Morris Street front of the City Home property as per resolution adopted by the City Council on March

✓ Engineer ✓

✓ Col W E Thompson ✓
✓ Engineer ✓

Council ✓

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7th instant, and further requesting that the Relief Commission loan the City the difference in cost between the \$10,000.00 the Commission propose^d to spend and the total cost of the building, not to exceed \$18,000.00

Letter
R.P. Bell ✓

WATER STREET CLEANING UP.

The City Engineer is instructed to clean up Water street from Buckingham Street north.

Engineer ✓

POLICE APPOINTMENTS.

Read extracts from minutes ^{of a} meeting ^{of the} City Council March 7th, referring back to this Board for further consideration the matter of restoring to the City Council the authority to appoint and dismiss Policemen.

Council ✓
Subcommittee ✓
Engineer ✓

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that this Board concur in the recommendation ^{of the} Council that Legislation be sought, restoring to the City Council the authority to appoint and dismiss Policemen.

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓

Motion put and passed, Controllers Murphy, Hines and Finlay voted ⁱⁿ for the motion and His worship the Mayor and Controller Taylor against.

Council ✓
Subcommittee ✓

WATER SUPPLY, J. MULLANE, 146 AGRICOLA ST.

John Mullane appeared before the Board stating that he has had no water supply in house 146 Agricola Street, since February 23rd.

Engineer ✓

The Acting City Engineer informed the Board that Mr. Mullane's service pipe is frozed between the street line and his house.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

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SPECIAL LICENSE FEES.

Read extract ^{from} minutes ^{of a} meeting ^{the} of City Council ^{held on} March 7th, as follows:-

Office of City Clerk,
March 12th, 1918.

"At suggestion of members of Council the Board of Control is requested to take into Consideration the advisability of licensing restaurants, shoe shine parlors, and increasing the license fee for public Billiard and Pool Rooms, Bowling Alleys and Bill Boards".

It is decided to recommend to Council that Legislation be sought in imposing a license fee of \$25.00 on Restaurants, and authorizing the City Health Board to pass By-laws for the inspection and regulation of restaurants.

Controller Murphy dissents.

It is decided to recommend that Legislation be secured fixing ^a the license fee of \$5.00 a chair ^{on} Shoe Shine Parlors. On motion of Controller Taylor the City Solicitor is instructed to ^{draft an amendment to} amend the ordinance relating to Billiard Tables and Bowling Alleys, increasing the fees for the ^{first} Billiard Table to \$50.00 and for ^{each} additional table \$10.00 each., and the fee for Bowling Alleys to \$2.00 for ^{the first} Bed and ^{each} \$10.00 for additional beds.

It is decided not to increase the fees under the Bill Board Ordinance.

POLES IN STREETS.

Read extract from minutes of meeting of City Council March 7th, referring back to this Board for further consideration its report re

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Solicitor ✓
City Health Board ✓

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Solicitor ✓

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Solicitor ✓

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Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓

Poles in Streets, Referred to the City Engineer and City Electrician for report as to ^{whether} ~~ques-~~
~~tion~~ ^{the} of new regulations now under consideration by the Board of Public Utilities and the City's Ordinance re Poles and Wires ^{Cover} covering the feature of Alderman Kelly's complaint.

HALIFAX POWER COMPANY PLEBISCITE.

Read opinion City Solicitor as follows :-

Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N. S. March 13th, 1918.

Secretary Board of Control.

Re Halifax Power Company Plebiscite.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to the request of the Board for my opinion as to the percentage of voters required to be polled in favor of bringing into force the Act authorizing the City to become a shareholder in the Halifax Power Company, I beg to say as follows:-

Subsection 2 of Section 5 of the Act is as follows:-

"Such proclamation shall not be made until one third of the total qualified voters on the civic list of voters shall be polled and not less than sixty per cent, of those voting at an election for a mayor or alderman have expressed themselves in favor of the Act in the manner herein provided."

This clause by itself appears to make it clear that in order to bring the Act into force no less than one third of the voters qualified to vote at an election for Mayor have voted upon the plebiscite, and that sixty percent of this third must be in the affirmative. Subsection 1 6 of the same Section reads, "That if it appears from the return of the City Clerk as to the result of the plebiscite that five-eighths of the voters have voted in the affirmative the Provincial Secretary may bring the Act into force by proclamation." The conflict between the two sections is in my opinion confined to the difference between sixty percent and five-eighths or one-fortieth, the result apparently of an amendment

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to the latter subsection having been made without consideration of the preceding subsection.

I am of opinion that the latter clause must stand, but only to the extent to which there is a conflict, and that consequently the result of the two sections is that not less than one third of the voters must express their opinion on the subject of the plebiscite and that to insure the issue of a proclamation not less than five-eighths of all such voting must be in the affirmative.

Yours truly,

F. H. Bell,

City Solicitor.

Approved., and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for info information.

SUPERINTENDENT CITY HOME.

Read ^{from minutes of} extract ^{held March 7th} minutes City Council, ref-

erring back to this Board for further consideration its report recommending the appointment of John H. Buchanan as Superintendent of the City Home.

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Murphy that this Board again refer back to the City Council without change or amendment its report recommending the appointment of John. H. Buchanan as ^{superintendent of the City Home.}

Motion passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned.

P. J. Martin
MAYOR

L. J. O'Connell
CITY CLERK.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 19th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Beatrice Harrington Expenses.
Stayner's Wharf Property Repairs.
Bill Boards and Letter Sidney Locke.
Willow Park as a Residential Area.
Superannuation of Policeman
Taxes on Property Destroyed by the Disaster.
North End Fire Protection.
Loans to City From Relief Commission.
Isolation Hospital.
Gas Inspection.
Flemming Park- Memorial Tower.
Over Expenditure of Estimated Appropriations.
Superannuation Assessments-Ira J. Ingraham.
Tax Exemptions.
Water Supply Willow Park.
Fire Prevention and Inspection of Buildings.
John McAskill's Superannuation Assessments.
Union Engine Co. and Veteran Firemans Association-
Assistance at Fires.
Victoria General Hospital Accounts.
Snow Removal by Tramway Company.
Controller Hines-Leave of Absence.
Evening Mail ~~Quote~~ Greater Reconstruction-
Special Issue.
Public Abattoir Loan \$10,000.00

BEATRICE HARRINGTON EXPENSES.

The Secretary of the City Home appears before the Board and submits correspondence and bills amounting to \$53.45 for care and transportation of Beatrice Harrington, a refugee at the time of the disaster, from Halifax to Truro.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

STAYNER'S WHARF PROPERTY REPAIRS.

Read letter Dartmouth Ferry Commission urging expediency in the matter of the repairs to Stayners Wharf Property, occupied by William Grant.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

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Sec'y City Home
Solicitor ✓

Engineer ✓

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BILL BOARDS-LETTER SIDNEY LOCKE.

Read letter Sidney Locke re Bill Boards and other matters.

Referred to the City Engineer.

SUPERANNUATION FO POLICEMEN.

Read extract minutes of meeting of the City Council, March 7th requesting that the Board of Control take into consideration the advisability of amending the law in respect to the age limit for superannuation of members of the Police Force.

Referred to Controller Taylor for report.

WILLOW PARK AS A RESIDENTIAL AREA.

Read extract from minutes of meeting of the City Council March 7th, as follows:-

"Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Parker that the Board of Control be authorized to prepare legislation defining a residential area for Willow Park". Passed.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

TAXES ON PROPERTY DESTROYED IN THE DISASTER.

Read letter Relief Commission as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
March 12th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
The Board of Control,
CITY.

Dear Sirs:-

Re Taxes on Property destroyed in
the Disaster.

Your letter in connection with the above matter was considered by the Commission this morning, and it was decided to advise you that the Commission is not in a position to make any announcement on this subject at the present time.

Yours truly,
Ralph Bell,
Secretary.

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NORTH END FIRE PROTECTION.

Read letter Relief Commission, as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
March 15th, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk, - City Hall,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

Re North End Fire Protection.

This matter was considered at a meeting of the Commission this morning, and I was instructed to inform you that we are taking this up with out Reconstruction Department and will advise you further on report from them.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Bell,
SECRETARY.

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LOANS TO CITY FROM RELIEF COMMISSION.

Read letters (2) Relief Commission, as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
March 12th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
The Board of Control.
CITY.

Dear Sirs:-

Your letter of the 8th instant was considered by the Commission today, and I was instructed to advise you that in view of the circumstances in which the Commission finds itself at present it is impossible for them to consider any further advances at present.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Bell,
SECRETARY.

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Halifax Relief Commission,
March 12th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
The Board of Control.
CITY.

Dear Sirs:-

Replying to yours of March 9th re per-

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Chief Fire ✓
Supt. ✓
Cont. Mines ✓

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PERMANENT WORK TO Civic properties, your communication was before the Commission today, and I was instructed to advise you that in view of the position assumed by the Government it will be impossible for the Relief Commission to make any further advances to the City.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Ball,

SECRETARY.

Read report Controller Murphy, as follows :-

Halifax N. S., March 19th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:- RE FINANCING OF CIVIC EXPENDITURES
DUE TO DISASTER OF DEC. 6th, 1917.

The recent decision of the Relief Commission to advance the City no further amounts to take care of expenditures for emergency and permanent work on civic institutions damaged in disaster of December 6th., makes necessary that some other means be found of financing these expenditures until such time as definite decision is reached as to the lines along which they will adjust with the City.

The Commission's stand in this matter is presumable based on the policy at present laid down by the Government of with-holding its decision regarding the adjustment of larger claims for the present. It would seem unwise for the City to put out a permanent bond issue to take care of the expenditures involved, as we are justified in assuming that eventually the City's claims will be taken care of, and that the Commission's present attitude is simply to enable them to first clean up what are considered the most pressing demands on their funds.

In as much as the Commission is required to set aside a large amount for the establishment of a permanent compensation fund, which amount will necessarily be invested in some approved bond issue, it would seem to me a reasonable request that we ask the Commission to accept a sufficient amount of City of Halifax Bonds to enable us to proceed with the necessary repairs to our various buildings. We have already introduced legislation permitting us to issue debentures for the purpose, if found necessary, so that these bonds would be fully authorized.

The outstanding advantage of our financing as suggested would be, that in the event of a full adjustment being made of the City's losses, the bonds could then be cancelled, whereas, if the City is compelled to put out a bond issue in the regular way, these bonds

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would be necessarily have to run their stated term, thereby compelling the City to provide annually interest and sinking funds to take up such an issue.

If this suggestion is favorably considered I would recommend it be placed before the Commission for consideration.

Yours truly,

John Murphy,

CONTROLLER.

Controller Murphy's report is approved and ordered to be forwarded to the City's Advisory Relief Committee to take up ~~the~~ with the Relief Commission.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

Read letter Relief Commission as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
March 15th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 14th instant was considered by the Commission this morning, and to avoid any possibility of misunderstanding at a later date I was instructed to advise you that the Commission's grant of \$10,000.00 is made on the distinct understanding, as was stated at a conference held with your Committee on February 27th, that said sum would be taken into consideration in the final adjustment with the City. The Commission wishes to confirm, however, what was also stated at the meeting, that the ultimate consideration of this item will be on a very liberal basis.

The last paragraph of your letter is somewhat ambiguous, but we read it to mean that the cost of this building is not to exceed \$25,000.

It is, of course, impossible to tell what the total cost of the building will be until the tenders are in and we will therefore have to defer an adjustment as to this amount until that time.

R P Bell ✓
all members ✓
Advisory Committee ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Secretary ✓

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As we understand it, it is your wish that we should loan to the City that portion of the cost of the building in excess of \$10,000.

Kindly confirm this letter at the earliest possible moment so that the work may be proceeded with immediately.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Bell,

SECRETARY.

Controller Murphy informs the Board

that the subject matter of the communication was discussed between the City's Advisory Relief Committee and the Relief Commission and that the Secretary of the Relief Commission had by telephone message advised the City Clerk that the Commission would further communicate with the City on the matter.

GAS INSPECTION.

Alderman Kelly appeared before the Board and complained of the quality of gas supplied by the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company Ltd., stating that testing of the quality and purity of gas has not been carried on by the Dominion Government Officials since August 15.

The Secretary is instructed to write the Minister of Inland Revenue calling his attention to the condition and requesting that directions be given that proper testing and inspection be regularly carried out, as provided by law.

FLEMING PARK- MEMORIAL TOWER.

Alderman Kelly stated to the Board that the Memorial Tower in the Fleming Park had not been attended to since the explosion of December 6th, that windows were broken and open to

*R. P. Bell ✓
Relief Advisory
Committee
Chairman of
Health Board.*

*Minister to
Inland Revenue ✓*

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the weather.

Referred to the City Engineer to attend to.

OVER EXPENDITURE OF ESTIMATED APPROPRIATIONS.

Read letter City Auditor, as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
Halifax, March 15th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In line with improvements in our civic audit I would suggest that an Act be obtained at the present session of the Provincial Legislature, providing that before liability is incurred or expenditure authorized to be made, the Auditor shall be satisfied that the same is authorized by the legislation and within the appropriation. This would I think, be in the interest of the City of Halifax, preventing overdrafts, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Foster,

CITY AUDITOR.

Moved by Controller Finally that legislation be applied for in line with the suggestion of the City Auditor. The motion is not seconded. The communication is filed.

SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS-IRA J. INGRAHAM.

Read report City Treasurer re Superannuation assessments of Ira J. Ingraham recently resigned as City Prison Underkeeper, as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
March 18th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
Members of Board of Control

Gentlemen:-

In re above request, Sub. sec 3 Sec 300 Acts 1914 Cap. 74 reads "In no case shall any official or employee who has contributed to the fund for less than 2 years be entitled to receive any allowance or payment from the fund".

Ira J. Ingraham has served but one year and nine months.

Respectfully submitted,
James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Mr. Ingraham ✓

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

TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Read letter Board of Trade, as follows:-

Board of Trade,
March 13, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

Would you kindly appoint a member of your Honourable Body to sit with the special committee of this Board to discuss the matter of Tax Exemptions in the City of Halifax, with a view of curtailing, and, if possible, eliminating same to some extent.

The first meeting of this Committee, for the purpose of organizing, will be held on Thursday afternoon next, March 21st., at 4 o'clock and it is desirable that your representative should be present.

E. A. Saunders,

Secretary.

*Cont. Murphy ✓
E. A. Saunders ✓*

Controller Murphy is unanimously appointed to act as a Committee ^{of} ~~to~~ this Board to discuss the matter of Tax Exemptions with the Board of Trades' Committee.

WATER SUPPLY WILLOW PARK.

Alderman Parker, C. V. Monaghan, C. S. Pickford E. A. Saunders and other residents of Willow Park appeared before the Board and complained of lack of water supply at Willow Park.

Mr. Pickford demands that the practise of supplying the Victoria General Hospital and the City Home and other large users of water from the high service be discontinued at once and that all institutions on the low service levels be supplied from the low service.

The City Engineer is instructed to report on the matter of supplying the City Home with water

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from the low service system. On motion of Controller Murphy the City Engineer is authorized to consult with the Honorable E. H. Armstrong, M. E.C and to inform him that the City is compelled to confine to the low service system its supplying of water to the Victoria General Hospital, through urgent demands of citizens on the higher part of the high service water system, who are now deprived of water because the high service system is supplying water to localities which should be served from the low service.

*Engineer
Hon E.H. Armstrong*

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines, that the Victoria General Hospital and any other large users of water now being supplied from the high service who should be supplied from the low service be immediately cut off from the high service and be supplied only from the low service. Motion passed unanimously.

FIRE PREVENTION AND INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS

Read letter Board of Trade, as follows:-

Board of Trade,
March 19th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

I have been desired by the Council of this Board, to wire and ask what action you have taken with referent to the delegation which appeared before your Honourable Body on Febraury 21st. last, in connection with Fire Prevention and also to a letter from this Board on the same subject, dated February 28th.

While concurring in the view of the City Solicitor that there is no use having legislation without administration, we would again urge that some steps be taken so as to have the inspection of buildings without the area stated in the draft Act, compulsory.

This Board is sorry to trespass upon your

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valuable time, but would like to see more stringent measures in connection with Fire Prevention than the present City Ordinance calls for.

E. A. Saunders,

SECRETARY.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by

Controller Hines that this Board approve of the Board of Trades request for such amendments to the City Charter as will make it compulsory on the part of the Chief of the Fire Department to inspect buildings and prosecute for offences without reference to the Board of Control, and that the City Solicitor be authorized to draft and submit to the Legislature, Legislation necessary to give effect to the suggestion of the Board of Trade. Motion passed.

*E. A. Saunders
City Solicitor ✓
Chief Fire Dept. ✓
Council ✓
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JOHN McASKILL'S SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
March 19, 1918.

JOHN McASKILL'S SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering report from the City Treasurer and bills in connection with the funeral expenses of the late John McAskill, formerly sub-foreman of the Water Department.

Mr. McAskill paid into the fund the sum of \$323.83 Section 301 of the City Charter provides that "if any official or employee who has contributed to the Superannuation fund dies Before being superannuated, leaving a wife or child who is a minor or is dependent upon him, such wife or child shall be entitled to receive from the Fund in one payment, and amount equal to the total contributions without interest."

From the best information I can obtain, Mr. McAskill left neither wife nor children dependent upon him, but the trustees of the Sinking Fund were asked by one of the children to pay the bur -

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ial expenses from the payments into the Fund. The trustees agreed to do this. They may or may not have the power to do this, but I am certain that no official interested in the fund would for one moment object to their course of action.

The only matter in dispute in connection with the bills submitted, was the question of buying a larger lot at the Cemetery than was required. This is a matter which I think can be adjusted between the City and the Registrar of the Cemetery.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer/

Approved, and referred to Controller Finlay for an adjustment of the amount to be paid for Cemetery Lot.

UNION ENGINE COMPANY AND VETERAN FIREMAN'S

ASSOCIATION - ASSISTANCE AT FIRES.

Read letter Union Engine Company and Veteran Fireman Association ^{being} offering the services of their members at the disposal of the Fire Department, in case of necessity, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. March 12/18

To the City of Halifax
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

At the Annual Meeting of the Union Engine Co. And Veteran Fireman Association, held March 6th, 1918.

A resolution was unanimously passed, viz: Whereas:- The City Council have decided to have a paid Fire Department, equipped and managed on modern principles and the number of men employed may be fully prepared to successfully fight any ordinary fire, but in the event of a very large conflagration, assistance of a substantial kind is an absolute necessity.

Therefore Resolved, that we renew our offer to place ourselves at the disposal of Chief Churchill whom we have every confidence in whenever he thinks our practical service may be of a benefit to the City in helping to extinguish conflagrations which are likely to tax the endurance of the Halifax Fire Department.

John J. Cahill,
Secretary.

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*Inspected
Engineer ✓*

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Council ✓

On motion of Controller Hines the offer is ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for acceptance with the recommendation that the thanks of the City be suitably acknowledged.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read copy of letter from the City Clerk to the Victoria General Hospital re accounts for January and February, as follows:-

Office of City Clerk,
March 12th, 1918.

*Check accounts
and compare
with City Clerk
copy of letter*

W. W. Kenny Esq.,
Superintendent Victoria General Hospital,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

I have checked accounts for V. H. G patients charged against the City for the months of January and February 1918 and find as follows:-

January account	\$295.00		
Less Credits	\$62.70		
Less Disputed	46.00	106.70	\$186.30
February account	\$1135.85		
Less Disputed		616.00	519.85
Amount due Hospital.			\$706.15

Council ✓

Will you please let me know if our statement agree so that I may place the account before the Board of Control for settlement on the terms of previous payments.

I enclose copies of the monthly statements as amended by us.

Yours truly,

L. Fred Monaghan
City Clerk.

Approved and the accounts passed for payment.

SNOW REMOVAL BY TRAMWAY COMPANY.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the City Solicitor be instructed

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to at once notify the Nova Scotia Tramway and Power Company Ltd., to immediately comply with the Law in regard to the removal of snow and ice from streets through which its Tramway operates, calling ^{is} their attention to the very dangerous condition at present existing. Motion passed. .

Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓

CONTROLLER HINES LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Controller Hines informed the Board that it was his intention to be absent from the City for about ten days and requested that Controller Murphy be authorized to take charge of the Fire Department and the City Home during his leave of absence. Approved.

Cont-Hines ✓
Cont Murphy ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
Secy City Home ✓

EVENING MAIL "GREATER RECONSTRUCTION" SPECIAL ISSUE.

Read letter Evening Mail requesting the City to advertise in the special issue soon to be published entitled "Greater Reconstruction," the rates being;—full page \$200.00, half page \$100.00 and quarter page \$50.00. Deferred for further consideration.

ABATTOIR LOAN—\$10,000.00

On motion of Controller Finlay the City Solicitor is requested to add to the City's Borrowing Bill a clause providing for an additional loan of \$10,000.00 for the Public Abattoir.

Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Council ✓

The Board adjourned.

W.S. Calwell DEPUTY MAYOR
James M. Mowghan CITY CLERK.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 21st, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Explosion Expenses.
Motor Fire Engine Patricia.
City Electrician.
Fences.
Leon Archibald, Application for Engineer's Staff.
Loans for Repairs to Civic Properties.
Halifax Power Company-Electric Lighting Contract.

EXPLOSION EXPENSES.

Read letter Relief Commission as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
March 20th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Commission would like specific information at the earliest possible moment covering the following points.

1. The amount paid out by the city or for which the City is obligated to pay, or has paid:-

(a) For the relief of all kinds.

Note: (A statement in detail unless heretofore supplied should be attached to the report)

(b) For other purposes consequent on the Disaster.

2. Careful estimate as to the loss the City is likely to incur by reason of loss of taxes or other income; stating the amounts as estimated in respect of the present and two succeeding years;

3. The loss to the City by reason of the occupation of any public buildings for the purpose of relief.

4. Amounts of insurance carried against the buildings and contents respectively and statement as to whether any thereof has been paid and if so the amount.

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5. Any suggestions which may occur to the Committee in respect of which it may think the Relief Commission should be advised.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Bell,

Secretary.

Referred to the City Clerk, the City Engineer and the City Auditor and City Assessor for report.

MOTOR FIRE ENGINE PATRICIA.

Read letter American La France Fire Engine Company re repairs to the Motor Fire Engine Patricia, which was wrecked in the explosion of December 6th, as follows:-

American LaFrance Fire Engine Co.
Toronto Ont, March 18th, 1918

Mr. E. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Acknowledging yours of March 12th with official notice of action of your Board of Control and City Council .

We are pleased to advise you that your Patricia is being rushed as rapidly as possible and we will get in into your hands just as quickly as possible.

We thank you for the action and are pleased to advise you that we think that your City Council and citizens at large, will be suprised at the appearance of the Patricia upon its return,

Very truly yours,

The American LaFrance Fire Engine Co.,
of Canada Ltd.,
G. H. Thomas.

Filed.

CITY ELECTRICIAN.

Read application G. A. Innis, Duluth Minnesota, for position of City Electrician.

The Secretary is instructed to inform Mr. Innis

*City Health Board ✓
Supt. Public Gardens ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Secy. of Home ✓
City Electrician ✓
City Clerk ✓
City Engineer ✓
City Auditor ✓
City Assessor ✓
Governor of ✓
Prison ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
Assessor ✓*

G. A. Innis ✓

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That the position is not now vacant.

FENCES.

Read letter Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities,
re Legislation respecting fences, as follows:-

Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities
Bridgewater N. S.,
March 20th, 1918.

Dear Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
City Hall,

Dear Sir:-

A Bill is now before the Legislature,
which we have had prepared and introduced in pur-
suance of a resolution of our last convention,
which will amend Ch. 93 of R. S. N. S. 1900
"Of Fences", so as to require all fences of in-
closed lands to be so constructed as to inclose
animals.

Will you please solicit the interest of
your representatives in the Legislature in sup-
port of this Bill and otherwise assist in its
passage.

Arthur Roberts,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Referred to special Committee on Legislation.

LEON ARCHIBALD-APPLICATION FOR ENGINEER'S
STAFF.

Read application Leon Archibald, Wolfville,
N. S., for a position on the staff of the City
Engineer.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

LOANS FOR REPAIRS TO CIVIC BUILDINGS.

Read letter of Relief Commission as follows:-

Halifax, Relief Commission
March 18th, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk-City Hall,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your of March 12th I have been
instructed to say that since the Local Legislature
is now in Session, the Commission assumes that

*Solicitor ✓
Arthur Roberts ✓*

Engineer ✓

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the City has submitted Legislation authorizing it to borrow to the extent that may be required to repair Civic Properties. As soon as the City has obtained such Legislation the Commission will be open to confer with it in respect to further means.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Bell,

Secretary.

Filed.

HALIFAX POWER COMPANY-ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

On motion of Controller Murphy the Secretary is instructed to request S. M. Brookfield President of the Halifax Power Company to attend at the Mayor's Office at 10.30 o'clock tomorrow morning for the purpose of discussing the Halifax Power Company's proposal in connection with the City's Electric Lighting Contract.

The Board Adjourned.

W. S. Calwell
DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. Mowbray
CITY CLERK.

Letter S.M. Brookfield ✓

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

March 26th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Fire Prevention and Inspection of Buildings.
Salvation Army-Annual Grant.
Insurance Motor Fire Apparatus.
Sewer Assessments-Edgar W. Jeffrey, 135 Henry St.
Electric Lighting Contract.
Oiling of Streets.
Superannuation-Colin McGillvary.
Tuberculosis Hospital Site.
Taxes on Properties Destroyed in the Disaster.
Tenders for City Works Supplies.
Tenders for Police Clothing.
Tenders for Printing, Stationary, Bookbinding etc.,
Hack and Taxi Licenses.

FIRE PREVENTION AND INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

E. A. Saunders, Secretary of the Board of Trade appeared before the Board stating that the Draft Act submitted by the Board of Trade, respecting the inspection of buildings by the Chief of the Fire Department and the prosecution by him for offences against the Fire Prevention Act, approved of by the Board of Control, March 19th instant ^{had} ~~but~~ not yet been presented to the Legislature.

The Secretary explained to the Board that the Draft Act submitted by the Board of Trade, had not been adopted by this Board in its entirety but only in so far as ^{related to the} ~~its~~ application made ^{by} ~~to~~ the Board of Trade, March 19th. See Board of Control ^{minutes} ~~meeting~~ March 19th, page ⁹¹¹ ~~911~~, and 912.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that this Board do now approve of the Draft Act submitted by the Board of Trade at meeting February 26th, 1918 and instructe~~d~~ the

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City Solicitor to submit the same to the Legislature for enactment at its present session. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor ✓
Secy Board ✓
Trade ✓
Council ✓
April 4/18 ✓

Controller Murphy assures the Secretary of the Board of Trade that the City Solicitor will present the bill in time for consideration at the present session of the Legislature.

The Draft Act reads as follows:-

A BILL

entitled an Act to amend the law in relation to the City of Halifax.

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:-

1. It shall be the duty of the Chief of the Fire Department to inspect or cause to be inspected by Fire Department Officers or members or by an official appointed for the purpose, as often as may be necessary, but no less than twice a year in outlying districts and four times a year in closely built portion of the City all public thoroughfares, buildings and premises except the interior of private dwellings, and any private dwelling may also be entered for a special reason or when complaint is made that dangerous conditions exist for the purpose of ascertaining and causing to be corrected any conditions liable to cause fire or any violations of the provisions or intent of this Act or of any ordinance of the City relating to the fire hazard.

2. Whenever the Chief of the Fire Department or any Fire Department officer or member or official appointed for inspection purposes as aforesaid shall find any building or other structure which, for want of repairs or by reason of age or dilapidated condition or any other cause is, in his or their opinion, especially liable to fire and which is, in his or their opinion, so situated as to endanger other property, or shall find in any building or upon any premises or other place any combustible or explosive material or dangerous or unnecessary accumulation of rubbish, waste paper, boxes, shavings or any other highly inflammable materials especially liable to fire, and so situated as to endanger other property in case of fire, or shall find obstructions to or on fire escapes, stairs, passageways, doors, windows or other entrances to or exits from buildings liable to interfere with the operation of the Fire Department or egress of occupants in case of fire, he or they shall, by

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notice in writing to the owner or occupant order the same to be removed or remedied and such order shall forthwith be complied with by such owner or occupant of such premises or buildings

3. Whenever the Chief of the Fire Department shall find that the appliances on or in any building, structure or premises for protection against fire are not in proper condition or of insufficient size or number or are otherwise insufficient for the purpose for which the same are designed or intended, or shall find that such appliances are reasonable necessary for the protection of such building, structure or premises and are wholly wanting, he shall order by notice in writing to the owner or occupant of such premises in the notice in writing to the owner or occupant of such premises in the case of such improper condition or insufficiency of such appliances that the same be placed in proper condition and rendered reasonably sufficient to afford reasonable protection against fire, and in case of absence of such appliances where, in his opinion, the same are reasonably necessary for protection against fire, he shall order by similar notice in writing the installation of appliances sufficient to afford such reasonable protection in case of fire in said building, structure or premises and to the occupants thereof or persons rightfully on or in the same.

4. Any owner or occupant failing to comply with any such order within ten days after the service of same shall be liable to a penalty as hereinafter stated. The service of any such order or notice in writing upon the occupant of the premises to whom it is directed by be made by either delivering a true copy of same to such occupant personally, or by delivering the same to and leaving it with any person in charge of such premises or, in case no such person is found upon such premises, by affixing a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on the door or entrance of the said premises, and the service of any such order or notice in writing upon the owner of such premises may be made by delivering a true copy of same to such owner personally or if such owner is absent from the city, by mailing such copy addressed to the owner at his last known address or place of abode.

5. No person, firm, or corporation shall manufacture, transport, use, care for, keep, sell, give away or otherwise dispose of any explosives or inflammables or other substance of like nature or materials, compounds, combinations or things whatsoever which may tend to increase fire hazard or conduct any hazardous business or operation or perform any service of like dangerous character within the city with-

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without first obtaining a license or permit therefor, which license or permit shall set forth and describe the amount or quantity of said explosives inflammables or other substances or things which may be manufactured, kept or otherwise dealt with by such license and the terms, conditions and restrictions under which the same shall be so manufactured, kept or otherwise dealt with. Application for such license or permit shall be made in writing to the Chief of the Fire department and shall be accompanied by such particulars or facts as he shall require or deem necessary and the said Chief of the Fire Department shall investigate the facts and circumstances in connection with such application and may either grant or refuse such license or permit, and no fee or charge shall be made for such license or permit.

6. No person shall kindle, maintain or assist in maintaining any bonfire or other exposed fire within the city except under written permit from the Chief of the Fire Department and any such fire shall be confined within metallic receptacles approved by him and be conducted under such proper safeguards as he may direct as to time and weather and other conditions, and such permit shall carry with it an obligation on the part of the person to whom the same is granted to keep a sufficient safe control of said fire and to be responsible for all damage therefrom and that all resultant embers shall be extinguished and hot ashes removed or wet down after said fire.

7. Any person, firm or corporation violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this Act or of any license or permit issued hereunder shall for each day on which such violation or failure to comply continues shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty five dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding sixty days and for a second or any subsequent offence, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months and in addition to the said penalties in case of fire resulting directly or indirectly from any omission or neglect or properly comply with any order or notice in writing of the Chief of the Fire Department, the person or persons culpable or negligent in respect thereto shall be liable in a civil action at the suit of the city of Halifax to pay all costs and expenses of the Fire Department incurred in and about the use of employees, apparatus and materials in the extinguishment of any such fires. Any such Civil action may be commenced and prosecuted before either the Stipendiary Magistrates of

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of the City of Halifax or the County Court Judge at Halifax and the amount of all such costs and expenses when collected shall be paid to the Treasurer of the city of Halifax and placed by him to the credit of the Fire Department Fund of the city of Halifax.

8. Any person dissatisfied with any order or decision of the Chief of the Fire Department under this Act shall have the right of appeal therefrom to the Judge of the County Court for District No. 1 who upon such appeal shall determine whether such decision or order was just or reasonable and the decision or order of such Judge upon such appeal shall be final.

See Board of Control minutes February 26th, page 846, February 28th, ^{page} 847, March 19th, page 911

SALVATION ARMY ANNUAL GRANT.

Read circular letter from the Salvation Army Headquarters, Toronto, asking for a continuance of the City's grant to their Women's Social and Prison Operations.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the circular letter and to inform the Salvation Army Headquarters that the City made provision in its Estimates for the incoming year for the usual grant for this purpose.

INSURANCE MOTOR FIRE APPARATUS.

In the absence of Controller Hines from the City, Controller Murphy verbally reported that information had been obtained in respect to insurance on Motor Fire Engines. A sample Policy was obtained showing annual premium required for insurance of the "Cornwallis" as follows:-

Public Liability Insurance -Limits \$5000.00 and \$10,000.00	Annual Premium \$250.00
Collision @3% on Maker's price \$11,750.00	Annual Premium \$352.50

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*W. J. Richards.
W. J. Richards.*

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Property damage to other people's property-	
Limit \$1000.00	
Annual Premium	<u>\$100.00</u>
Total	\$702.50

The Collision clause which costs annually \$352.50 does not insure the apparatus against fire from any cause whatever, from striking the roadbed, street or steam railway rails or ties or upsetting, nor tires unless the total damage including tires exceeds \$200.00

The question relating to such insurance having been raised in Council it is decided to submit the information to the Council.

SEWER ASSESSMENTS-EDGAR W JEFFREY, 135 HENRY ST.

Read letter Edgar W. Jeffrey, 135 Henry Street claiming exemption from sewer rates on one street, his property abutting on two streets.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

The Board again takes up ^{the} letter of the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company Ltd., submitted at Board of Control meeting March 12th, 1918, page 888.

The City Engineer is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the Company's letter and to ask them under what conditions they will extend the contract for the period of twelve months.

OILING OF STREETS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
March 26th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

An amendment to section 16 chap. 46 of the Acts of 1915 is being sought to provide that the City

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

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pay half the cost of oiling the streets and the property owner the other half. The section referred to provides that "the Council may make an ordinance authorizing the City on presentation of a petition signed by a majority of the persons owning property fronting on any street or portion of a street to use oil or other liquid on such street or portion and to collect the cost of so doing from all the owners of property so fronting and to include such cost in the rates and taxes upon such property."

I would suggest that while this section is being amended, a further amendment should be made allowing the City to oil any streets it may deem necessary, even without a petition from the abutting owners, and charge the half cost to them. This would be in line with the Permanent Pavement Act which allows the City to order permanent pavement on any street even though the owners do not ask for it.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

The report is approved and the City Solicitor is instructed to prepare and submit to the Legislature ^{the} an amendment to existing Legislation suggested by the Acting City Engineer.

*Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Council ✓*

SUPERANNUATION - COLIN MCGILLVARY.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
March 26th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering request from Colin F. McGillvary for superannuation. He has been employed in the City Works Department as a foreman for 27 years. He states in his letter that he is in his 61st year and has been paying into the Superannuation Fund since May 1st 1906.

Mr. McGillvary for some years was a faithful employee of the Works Department and had charge of sewer construction, but latterly he has been unable to perform his work.

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

Engineer ✓
City Treasurer ✓
Council ✓

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Referred to the Trustees of the Official's Superannuation Fund for report.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL SITE.

Read letter Halifax County Anti-Tuberculosis League, as follows:-

County
The Halifax/Anti-Tuberculosis League,
March 22, 1918.

To the Mayor of the City
of Halifax.

Sir:-

At a meeting of the Council of the Halifax Co. Anti-Tuberculosis League on Thursday, March 14, the following resolution was passed.
"that this Council heartily approve the site for a Hospital for advanced Tuberculosis situated just north of Point Pleasant Park on the North West Arm, and urge immediate building."

Harriett Schon,

Secretary.

referred to the City Council for their information.

TAXES ON PROPERTIES DESTROYED IN THE DISASTER.

Read report of Controller Murphy, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., March 26th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control

Gentlemen:-

I took up with the Relief Commission yesterday the question of exemption from taxes for coming year, on properties destroyed in the disaster of December 6th., pointing out to them that in as much as the City could not possibly ask for taxes on these properties, it would be necessary, in the event of the Commission not being in a position to definitely announce its policy in this regard, that we seek legislation before the House adjourns, to enable us to meet this situation.

The Commission is giving this matter its immediate attention and will advise us definitely on Thursday of its decision.

John Murphy,

Controller.

Council ✓

Board of Control ✓

March 26th, 1918.

Deferred for consideration at Thursday's meeting.

TENDERS FOR CITY WORKS SUPPLIES.

The City Engineer is instructed to advertise for City Works supplies and services for 1918-1919.

Engineer ✓

TENDERS FOR POLICE CLOTHING.

The Chief of Police is instructed to advertise for tenders for Police Uniform clothing.

*Cont. Taylor ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

TENDERS FOR PRINTING, STATIONARY, BOOK-BINDING ETC.,

The City Clerk is instructed to advertise for tenders for printing, stationary, book-binding, etc., for the year 1918-19.

City Clerk ✓

HACK AND TAXI LICENSES.

On motion of Controller Taylor the City Solicitor is instructed to submit in time at for consideration of the next meeting of the City Council, in accordance with resolution passed by this Board on March 5th, page 868, amendments to Ordinance No.14 relating to Hacks, providing for an extension of the time for submitting applications for Horse drawn and Motor Hacks up to June 1st in any year and requesting the full license fee to be deposited with the application in each case.

*Cont. Taylor ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Asst. City Clerk ✓
City Solicitor ✓*

The Board adjourned.

H.S. COLWELL

DEPUTY 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; Acting Mayor H. S. Colwell, *Chairman* and Controllers Taylor, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

I. O. D. E. Canteen on Grand Parade.
Superannuation Assessments, J. D. McAskill.
Report Chief of Fire Department for November 1917.
Superannuation, Colin McGillivray, Foreman Works Department.
Chinese Laundry, Barrington Street.
Tramway Fares for School Children.
Sewer Frontage Assessments.
Attendance City Solicitor and City Engineer at Meetings.
Disciplining of Policemen.
City Engineer F. W. W. Doane, Recall of.
Memorial Tower and Fleming Park.
Lower Water Street, Snow and Ice.
Rubbish Deposited on Streets.
Destruction of Fence and Trees by Vehicles.

I.O.D.E. CANTEEN ON GRAND PARADE.

Engineer ✓
Mrs. M. Odevaine and Mrs. Col. Allen Duffus appeared before and addressed the Board, submitting a petition from Chebucto Chapter I.O.D.E for permission to put up a temporary building on the Grand Parade for the purpose of operating a canteen.

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

SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS JOHN D. McASKILL.

Read report Trustees of the Officials Superannuation Fund, as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
March 27th, 1918.

To Dep. Mayor Colwell
and
Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Attached you will please find amended bill of the Fairview Cemetery in re burial account of the late John D. McAskill.

The amended amount as passed by the

Account

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Trustees, reads:-

Snow & Co. Ltd.	\$69.00
James Flannigan	37.00
Fairview Cemetery	11.00
	<hr/>
	\$117.00

It is recommended that the same be paid from the amount paid into the Superannuation Fund by the deceased.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of
the Trustees,

James J. Hopewell,

City Treasurer.

Approved.

REPORT CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR

NOVEMBER 1917.

Read report late Chief of Fire Department Edward Condon for November 1917, submitted at meeting December 4th, 1917, consideration of which was at the time deferred. The report is as follows:-

Office of Chief of Fire Department,
December 4th, 1917.

The Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to make the following report for the month of November:-

There have been seventeen alarms of fire from the following causes:- chimneys 11 smoke backing down chimney, 2, matches 1, false 1, lamp explosion 1, overheating stove pipe 1.

Insurance at risk	\$37,000.00
Loss by Insurance	125.00

Resignations.

E Sharpe, callman No. 2 Steamer Division, resigned on November 26th.

James Vass, callman on No. 5 Steamer, who has had leave of absence from the City for three months, has not yet reported for duty. I consider he should be dismissed, as he has been off duty eight months in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief H.F.D.

Chief Finlay ✓
Sept - ✓

March 28th, 1918.

Referred to Chief Churchill for report.

SUPERANNUATION COLIN MCGILLVARY, FOREMAN

WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Read report Trustees of the Officials Superannuation Fund, as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
March, 27th, 1918.

To Dep. Mayor Colwell,
and
Members of Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The Trustees of the Official Superannuation Fund met this day to consider the attached application of Colin McGillvary for retirement. His age is 61 years, first appointment April 1st, 1891, service 27 years.

Under the Act the basis of his superannuation is made up on the estimated salary of the last 3 years which would be \$732.00 yielding an allowance of \$395.28 per year.

Under Sub-sec. 1 Sec 299 of the City Charter if a two-thirds majority vote of the whole Council decides to retire him from his employment he will be entitled to receive from the Fund \$175.68 per year, and such other sum as the Council shall decide on the recommendation of the Board of Control to be paid from the general revenues of the City to be raised by taxation.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Trustees

James J. Hopewell,

City Treasurer.

Moved by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted and that this Board recommend to the City Council that Legislation be obtained authorizing the Superannuation of Colin McGillvary at the total sum of \$500.00 per year., the difference to be paid from the general revenues of the City. Not seconded. The matter is deferred until Tuesday's meeting of the Board, Controller/Finlay in the meantime will discuss the matter with the City Engineer.

Engineer ✓
Cont. Finlay ✓
Board of Control ✓
Council ✓

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CHINESE LAUNDRY-BARRINGTON STREET.

Read letter Fong Ging re Chinese Laundry and Boarding-House corner of Kent and Barrington Streets, as follows:-

211 Pleasant Street,
Halifax, Mar. 26th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

With reference to the petition of John H. Holland and others protesting against the purchase by me of the property at the corner of Pleasant and Kent streets, I have the honor to call to your attention the following facts:

1. That I purchased the said property under agreement of sale over 4 years ago for the sum of \$7000.00, and only a small amount still remains unpaid.

2. I conducted a laundry in the same building for the period of about 10 years before removing to my present place of business where I have been for the past ten years. Thus altogether I have been conducting a laundry on Pleasant Street for the past 20 years-- I have yet to learn of any complaint being made against me or the manner in which I conduct my business.

3. I have never been in the police court on any charge in this city or any other place, and Mr. Holland or no other man can lay his finger on anything against me or any person in my employ.

4. These are facts which can be substantiated and are not mere baseless rumors on which Mr. Holland bases his very offensive letter to the Mayor.

5. As a rate payer in this City I question Mr. Holland's right to make charges against me or the Chinaman in general I am prepared to run my business to suit myself, and in full accordance with the laws of the land. I realize that there is no provision by which I can be at present prevented from making use of my own property in such manner as I deem best so long as I do not thereby violate the laws in force, and I can assure Your Honourable Body that I have no intention of resorting to such occupations as Mr. Holland suggests.

I therefore submit that you will give this matter your fair and full consideration, and that

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before any action is taken to disbar ~~be~~ from the
exercises of the ordinary rights of ownership
that I be given a chance to be heard.

Yours truly,

Fong Ging.

Filed.

TRAMWAY FARES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Alderman Kelly appeared before the Board,
stating that the Legislation proposed by the City
Council for the reduction of Street Railway Fares
for School Children does not appear in the City's
Bill now before the Legislature.

The Secretary is instructed to write the
City Solicitor, calling his attention to the
matter.

SEWER FRONTAGE ASSESSMENTS.

Alderman Kelly appeared before the Board
stating that the Draft Act passed this Council
February 14th, 1918 provided that the assessment
~~on~~ ^{on} ~~of~~ ^{of} abutting property owners for cost of constructing
sewers be increased from \$1.25 per foot to \$1.75
per foot. It does not appear in Bill No. 33 now
before the Local Legislature entitled "An Act
to amend the law in respect to the City of Halifax".

The Secretary is instructed to call the at-
tention of the City Solicitor to the matter.

ATTENDANCE, CITY SOLICITOR AND CITY ENGINEER

AT MEETINGS.

The Secretary is instructed to write to the
City Solicitor and the City Engineer informing
that that the Board requires their attendance at
its meetings at 10 a. m. on Tuesdays and Thursday s .

DISCIPLINING OF POLICEMEN.

Controller Taylor verbally reported that a

City Solicitor ✓

Solicitor ✓

*Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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night or two ago a quantity of Chinese Liquor stored in one of the police cells had been removed by persons then locked up and that he had immediately suspended the two police officers then on duty at the Station. After an investigation held this morning these two police officers were severely reprimanded for neglect of duty in not more frequently inspecting the cells, and cautioned ~~them~~ ^{for} that any further neglect of duty they would be instantly dismissed. Approved.

Chief's Police

CITY ENGINEER F. W. W. DOANE -RECALL OF.

Read letter Board of Trade, as follows:-

Board of Trade, Halifax, N. S.
March 22nd, 1918.

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

Engineer

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade held on Tuesday afternoon last, the action of the Board of Control and City Council in recalling City Engineer Doane to his duties, was unanimously endorsed, it being considered the increased work of that office, due to the Explosion, demands his return,

E. A. Saunders,

Secretary.

Filed.

MEMORIAL TOWER, FLEMING PARK.

Alderman Kelly asked if anything had been done towards taking care of the Memorial Tower Fleming Park, North West Arm, *damaged by the explosion.*

Engineer

Controller Murphy reports that the matter is being attended to and that the services of William Topple have been secured for locking after the Park and Tower during the season.

LOWER WATER STREET, SNOW AND ICE.

The Deputy Mayor called attention to complaints made as to the condition of ^{Lower} Water Street

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caused by the accumulation of snow and ice.

Engineer ✓

Controller Murphy reports that Lower Water Street and parts of Upper Water Street now in bad condition will be attended to today.

RUBBISH DEPOSITED ON STREETS.

Alderman Godwin and members of the Board complained of the condition of Streets from the depositing of rubbish by Reconstruction gangs who throw glass, plaster, bricks, ect., upon the Streets and leave the same.

Engineer ✓

The City Engineer is instructed to at once call the attention of the Relief Commission to the complaints and request that they discontinue the practice and ask them to clean up the debris already deposited.

DESTRUCTION OF FENCE AND TREES BY VEHICLES.

Engineer ✓

Alderman Gillis and Controller Finlay and others complained of the tearing away of part of Camp Hill Cemetery Fence by vehicles going up on the sidewalk and the destroying of two trees on the Robie Street Boulevard by vehicles traversing ^{the} parked parts of the Boulevard because of the accumulation of snow and ice.

Referred to the City Engineer.

The Board adjourned.

H.S. COLWELL,

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock, present; Deputy Mayor Colwell, Chairman, and Controllers Finlay, Taylor and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Peddlers License.	
H. E. Munroe-Building on City Property.	
Fire Insurance on City Properties.	
City Prison Report for March.	
Fire Prevention and Inspection of Buildings.	\$45,000.00
Street Railway Fares for School Children.	500.00
Military Incinerator on North Common.	4,500.00
Colin McGillvary, Superannuation.	4,500.00
An Act to Incorporate The Halifax Relief Commission.	
Unexpended Balances Account.	1,700.00
Fire Alarm System.	21,500.00
Temporary Buildings for Schools.	10,000.00
Cleaning Streets.	61,000.00
Policeman William Wren-Resignation.	
City Prison Underkeeper George Grant Jr.	
City Prison Underkeepers.	4,000.00
Policemen.	2,000.00
Policeman David C. Wilson.	1,200.00
Accounts.	2,300.00

PEDDLERS LICENSE

Thomas Usher appeared before the Board complaining that two men are peddling fruit and vegetables about the City without a license.

Controller Finlay informed the Board that this matter had been brought to his attention but, that the two men ^{are} were blind and should be permitted to peddle without a license fee.

The Chairman instructs the Chief of Police to carry out the law.

H. E. MUNROE-BUILDING ON CITY PROPERTY.

Read application H. E. Munroe for permission to maintain a building on City Property during the coming summer at a reasonable rental.

Referred to the city Engineer for report.

FIRE INSURANCE ON CITY PROPERTIES.

Read report Controller Finlay, as follows:-

Chief of Police ✓

Engineer ✓

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His Worship the Mayor,

and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with your wished I beg to submit the following tabulated statement of the amount of fire insurance carried on City Property in use by the various departments:-

City Hall Building, Furniture, fittings, library.....	\$45,000.00
" on Bristol Flag.....	500.00
" Prison and outbuildings.....	4,900.00
" Infectious Hospital, furniture, equipment.....	5,500.00
" Small Pox Hospital.....".....	1,700.00
" Engine Houses.....	21,500.00
" Market Building, fittings.....	10,000.00
" Home building, furniture, boilers....	61,000.00
" Works Department:-	
2 Steam rollers, horses, harness feed, fittings, vehicles.....	4,000.00
City Workshops.....	5,000.00
Incinerator, fittings, etc.....	7,200.00
Keeper's House at Lakes.....	2,300.00
" " " Reservoir.....	1,500.00
Public Gardens, Lodge, greenhouses, plants.....	8,000.00
Point Pleasant Park, Lodge and ferry-house.....	3,700.00
School Houses, furniture and fittings	<u>565,075.00</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>\$746,875.00</u>

After consultation with the heads of departments, I have come to the conclusion that the amount carried is ample for the risk.

Attached hereto is a list of the fire apparatus valued at \$53,000.00 which carries no insurance although in the ordinary course of events it is exposed to such risks as ignition and accidents going to, at and from fires.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J., Finlay,

CONTROLLER.

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STATEMENT.

City Hall Building..... \$30,000.00

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City Hall Furniture, fittings, etc.....	\$10,000.00
Books in Public Library (Not exceeding \$10. per volume)	5 000.00
Flag presented by City of Bristol.....	500.00
(All above while contained in City Hall)	
City Prison, main building.....	1,000.00
Wooden buildings at City Prison, viz.-	
Horse stables.	
Cow Stables	
Coach House.	
Clothing Room	
Sotre Room	
Carpenter Shop	
Cooper shop	
Coal Shed	
Stone shed.	
Card shed.	
Shoe shop and store.....	2,200.00
Brick outbuildings under one roof, viz-	
Cook house	
Store room	
Blacksmith Shop	
Meat sheep store.....	500.00
Infectious Diseases Hospital.....	5,000.00
" " furniture and equipment.....	500.00
Small Pax Hospital.....	1,500.00
" " furniture and equipment..	200.00
Two Steam Rollers (while contained in shed at City Field.)	1,500.00
City Horses (No one horse more than \$200.	2,000.00
Harness, feed, vehicles, and fittings....	500.00
West Street Engine House, West Street.	4,000.00
Chemical and Ladder House, Grafton St..	1,000.00
Central Engine House, Brunswick St.....	2 000.00
Old Gerrish St. Engine House, Maynard St.	1,000.00
Morris St. engine House.....	4,000.00
Bedford Row Engine House.....	5,000.00
Islesville Engine House, Gottingen St...	1,000.00
Quinpool Road Engine House.....	2,500.00
Spring Garden Road Engine House.....	1,000.00
Keeper's House, Spruce Hill Lake.....	500.00
Pipe House " ".....	200.00
City Workshops west side Bell Road.....	5,000.00
Keeper's House Chain Lake.....	500.00
Pipe Houses, " " each \$200....	600.00
Market Building, including fittings and fixtures.....	10,000.00
Incinerator Buildings and additions...	500.00
Fixed and moveable machinery in same....	1,000.00
Frame waggon trestle to same.....	700.00
Double Dwelling Longard Rd. N. of Reservoir.....	1,000.00
Single " " ".....	500.00
In addition to above there has been \$1,200 placed on a new wooden building just about completed at the City Prison.	1,200.00
Also a policy on the boilers at Incinerator covering a liability of.....	5,000.00
	<u>\$109,100.00</u>

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The only other property in charge of the department not insured in the wooden building at the south-west corner of Market and George Streets There is no insurance on fire apparatus.

Public Gardens, Lodge, Greenhouses, plants	\$ 8,000.00
City Home building	52,000.00
Boilers	3,500.00
" laundry	500.00
Furniture	2,500.00
Point Pleasant Lodge	2,000.00
Ferry House	1,700.00
Fire Department Apparatus	53,000.00
School Buildings	546,875.00
Furniture	28,200.00

Fire Department Apparatus:-

Station No. 1 Brunswick St:-

Triple Combination motor (Cornwallis)	12,000.00
Chemical Engine Holloway (Acadia)	2,450.00
Shand & Mason Engine (Devonshire)	1,500.00

Station No. 2, West Street:-

Chemical engine, Babcock	2,350.00
Seagrave Ladder Truck	2,700.00
Supply Wagon	100.00
Seagrave Hose Wagon	1,000.00
Exercising Wagon sleigh	100.00
Wire Wagon	50.00
Wire Sleigh	50.00

Station No. 3 Morris Street:-

Amoskeag Engine (Columbia)	4,940.00
Combination Chemical and Ladder Truck	2,800.00
Hose Wagon	250.00
Supply Wagon	100.00
Chief's wagon and sleigh	50.00
Waterous Engine (King Edward)	5,500.00
Shand & Mason Engine (Alexandra)	5,500.00
Turret Hose Wagon	896.00
Turret Hose Sleigh	800.00
Supply Wagon	100.00
Exercising Sleigh	75.00

Station No. 5, Quinpool Road:-

Amoskeag Engine (Halifax)	5,200.00
Hose Wagon	250.00
Hose Sleigh	75.00
Exercising Sleigh	75.00

Station No. 7. Grafton Street:-

American La France Ladder Truck	2,263.25
Hose Wagon	250.00
Spare Wagon sleigh	75.00

Station No. 8, Spring Garden Road:-

Spare Hose Sleigh	75.00
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There is a steamer loaned by the American LaFrance Co. at West St. Station not included in the above..... 5,000.00

Less- Fittings and vehicles going out of use 3,000.00

\$53,534.25

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Referred to the City Council for its information.

CITY PRISON REPORT FOR MARCH.

Read report Governor of City Prison for the month of March.

Consideration of the report is deferred until Thursday's meeting. Controller Taylor in the meantime to submit an estimate of cost of repairs to the City Prison Property.

FIRE PREVENTION AND INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Solicitor is again instructed to submit to the Legislature the Board of Trade's bill for Fire Prevention and Inspection of Buildings. See Board of Control minutes, March 26th, pages 921-925.

STREET RAILWAY FARES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

At request of Alderman Kelly the City Solicitor is instructed to draft and submit a bill to the Legislature providing for reduced railway fares for school children, to be used between the hours of 7.30 a. m. and 5.30 p. m.

MILITARY INCINERATOR ON NORTH COMMON.

Read request Military Authorities as follows:-

Militia and Defence,
Halifax N. S., March 30, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
City of Halifax, N S.

Your Worship:

It is proposed to build near the present Huts on Commons a small open incinerator for the purpose of burning sweepings, papers, etc., from the barrack rooms in the Armouries and Huts on Commons.

Will you please inform me if you have any objection to this being done?

Yours respectfully,
L. G. VanTuyk, Lieut-Col R.C. E
C.R. C. E., M. D. No. 6.

Council ✓

B/C ✓
Cont Taylor ✓

Solicitor ✓
Council ✓

Solicitor ✓

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The Secretary is instructed to write Lieut. Colonel Van Tuyl informing him that the City has an incinerator plant situated within easy access from the Commons, capable of taking care of all the refuse from the Armouries and huts on the common, and that the Board would be pleased to discuss arrangements for the Military to use the same.

*Council ✓
Lieut. Col ✓
Van Tuyl ✓*

COLIN MCGILLVARY SUPERANNUATION.

Moved by Controller Finlay that this Board recommend to the City Council that Colin McGillvary, formerly of the Works Department be superannuated at \$175.68 per year which he is entitled to receive from the Officials Superannuation Fund and that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare and submit to the Legislature an act authorizing the payment to Mr. McGillvary annually the sum of \$263.52 which amount is based on thirty years service. Approved.

*Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓*

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION.

Alderman Godwin and Parker call attention of the Board to ~~the~~ an Act at present before the House of Assembly being Bill No. 81, entitled "An Act to Incorporate The Halifax Relief Commission", and objected to the bill becoming law, particularly section from 11-22.

Controller Murphy thought the Commission should not be exempted from the operation of the Workmens Compensation Act as provided for under Section 27 of the Bill.

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Council ✓
Letter Relief ✓
Commission

The City Clerk is instructed to call a special meeting of the City Council for 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of considering the bill and to request the Relief Commission to attend the meeting or to send a representative.

UNEXPENDED BALANCES ACCOUNT.

Read joint report City Solicitor and City Treasurer re Unexpended Balances Account, as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
March 26th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and
Members of the Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

We beg to submit the following report on the Minute of the Board of Control Meeting attached.

If the unexpended balances of even fixed current yearly appropriations are diverted from the purposes as laid down in the City Charter it might be impossible to make the usual grant of \$5000.00 for the purposes of reducing taxation as is now done.

Such a procedure would weaken the standing of the Sinking Fund as purchasers of our bonds are well aware of its provisions and any amendment tending to change the City Charter in that respect would very likely re-act in the sale of our Securities.

Respectfully submitted,
F. H. Ball,
City Solicitor.
James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Approved.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read report Controller Murphy as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 2nd, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Due to the numerous complaints re-

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ceived re operation of various fire alarm boxes it would seem advisable that some change be made in the method of caring for same.

I would redommand for the Board's consideration that a qualified man for this purpose be attached direct to the Fire Department, to be under the Chief, whose work it would be to see that the system is in thorough order. Such man could be used to advantage for other purposes connected with the Department.

*Electrician ✓
Cent. Lines ✓*

John Murphy,
Controller.

Referred to the City Electrician for report.

TEMPORARY BUILDINGS FOR SCHOOLS.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners,
April 2m 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

*Chairman ✓
Cmt. Fairley ✓
Treasurer ✓
S. J. Wilson ✓
Auditor ✓*

At a meeting of the Committee on School Sites and Buildings yesterday afternoon, it was recommended that two Portable Shacks be placed where most necessary to accomodate some of the number of children who are yet unporvided with a schoolhouse. The posible cost of these two buildings will be from Twelve to Fifteen Hundred Dollars.

The Board, therefore, requests the favor of your consideration re financing this matter.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Approved.

OF
CLEANING/STREETS.

Read report Controller Murphy as follows :-

Halifax N. S. April 2nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The condition of our streets is such to demand special action on our part. It is

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not be expected after a winter such as we have passed through, that conditions could be otherwise. We have already made a start in the business section and have given Barrington Street a thorough cleaning up. We purpose tonight to have this street flushed by the Fire Department so as to further improve its condition.

Water Street, which is in a most deplorable condition, is now being started, and no matter what expense is involved, we must remedy its condition. I purpose to utilize all monies available for the earliest possible clean up of the streets, and to carry on such flushing and watering as will help out the situation.

Citizens should endeavor to appreciate the problem which confronts our City in this regard, and endeavor to be reasonable until such time as we can improve the situation.

John Murphy,

Controller.

Approved.

POLICEMAN WILLIAM WREN, RESIGNATION.

Read resignation Policeman William Wren.

On motion of Controller Taylor the resignation is accepted.

PRISON UNDERKEEPER GEORGE GRANT JR.

Read resignation George Grant, Jr as an underkeeper at the City Prison.

On motion of Controller Taylor the resignation is accepted.

CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPERS.

On motion of Controller Taylor the City clerk is instructed to advertise for two underkeepers for the city Prison, men with a knowledge of farming preferred.

POLICEMEN.

On motion of Controller Taylor the Chief of Police is instructed to advertise for applications to fill six vacancies on the Police Force.

Chief of Police ✓

Engineer ✓

Chief of Police ✓

Governor of Prison ✓

City Clerk ✓
Governor of Prison ✓

Chief of Police ✓
City Clerk ✓

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POLICEMAN DAVID C WILSON FOR LEAVE OF
ABSENCE.

*Chief of Police ✓
Policeman D ✓
C Wilson*

Read application of David C. Wilson for leave of absence on account of injuries received in the Explosion.

On motion of Controller Taylor, Policeman Wilson is granted three months leave of absence with pay.

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts are passed for payment-

Citizens Free Library.

Public Libraries, subscription \$2.25

CITY PRISON.

J. J. Scriven & Sons..Bread	\$19.00
R. N. McDonald.....Groceries.	49.46
G. C. Hartlen.....Beef.	10.00
Frank Fraser, Oats Bran and Middlings.....	47.56
D. J. McIntosh.....Horse Shoeing	19.50
Auto Hire, Controller Taylor.	5.00
Neil Fox, Harness Supplies.	2.25
Thos. C. Johnson, Clock in order.	2.50
Rainnie & Keator, Policy 500840	1.24
Nova Scotia T. & P. Co.	1.89
Mar. Tel. & Te. Co. Rental.....	8.03
	<u>\$166.43</u>

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The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL.

L. J. Monaghan

DEPUTY MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

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 Finlay, Taylor and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

War Veterans Old Home Week. Taylor for report.
Salary Assistant City Clerk.
Cash Statement City Treasurer.
Victoria General Hospital, Maintenance of Patients.
I.O.D.E. Canten on Grand Parade.
Presiding Officers.
Hack Ordinance.
Chimney Sweeping.
Military Gardening on Camp Hill.
Water Supply, 38 Grafton St., Charles J. Sullivan.
Brandram-Henderson Limited, Water Supply.
City Prison, Damage by Explosion.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
Cleaning of Sidewalks.
City Home Wood-Yard.
City Home.
Paths Across the Common.
Accounts.

WAR VETERANS OLD HOME WEEK.

Read application Great War Veterans,

as follows:-

Great War Veterans Association of Canada
Halifax, N. S. April 2nd, 1918.

To-

His Worship,
The Mayor of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Sir:-

The above Association begs to apply for a License to bring to the City of Halifax during the month of September, definite dates to be sent to you later, for six days only the Show know as "The Ben-Williams Shows" for the purpose of holding what will be known as the "G.W.V.A. of Nova Scotia Old Home Week".

Permission is also requested that the grounds be used at the exhibition for this purpose.

May a reply be received as soon as possible please that the necessary arrangements with the parties concerned by be carried out?

In view of the fact that there is to be no Exhibition this year in Halifax, it is

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considered that this will be a great drawing attraction for the City of Halifax and your consideration is asked on our behalf, please.

Yours very truly,

H. H. Hamilton,
Secty.

*Carl Taylor ✓
H. H. Hamilton ✓
Secty.*

Referred to Controller Taylor for report.

SALARY ASSISTANT CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Taylor that Assistant City Clerk H. S. Rhind be paid the sum of \$100.00 from ~~license~~ fines and fees for violation of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act for extra services in connection with liquor prosecution.

Motion passed.

*113 Council ✓
Council ✓*

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Read Cash Statement City Treasurer for month of March.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL, MAINTENANCE OF PATIENTS.

Controller Murphy calls attention to House of Assembly Bill No. 92 entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 8, Acts of 1917, An Act in respect to the Victoria General Hospital", pointing out that the proposed Bill imposes upon the City liability for the care and maintenance of all persons sojourning in the City for thirty days and that the Act is to be read as though it had been enacted originally in Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1917, thus making the City liable for all patients admitted to the Hospital since October 1st, 1917

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who claim a residence in the City of thirty days. It is decided to report the Bill up to the City Council with the recommendation that the Council enter a protest against the unfairness of its legislation and urge upon the Premier the Honorable Commissioner of Public Works and Mines and the representatives of the City and County of Halifax the claim of the City for a just consideration of their representation.

Council ✓

I. O. D. E. CANTEEN ON GRAND PARADE.

In connection with the application of Chebucto Chapter Independent Order Daughters of the Empire for permission to erect a temporary building ^{on} of the Grand Parade for the purpose of operating a canteen, the secretary is instructed to write the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters asking what attitude that Board would assume in connection with the erection of a temporary wooden building on the Grand Parade.

*NS Board ✓
Fire Underwriters*

PRESIDING OFFICERS

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the below named act as Presiding Officers to conduct the election for Mayor to be held on the 24th instant and the Plebiscite under provisions of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1917, "The Halifax Power Company Act".

Council ✓

Ward One.

Ward Two.

Jas. H. Dow
John C. O'Mullin

Controller Taylor
Joseph R. Thompson.

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Ward Three.

Roy R. Power
W. A. Monaghan.

Ward Four.

A. G. Cummings.
Jas. T. McDonald.

Ward Five.

C. I. McCullough
W. E. Messervey

Ward Six.

H. C. Powell
Harry Burgess.

HACK ORDINANCE.

Controller Taylor submits for the approval of the Board the following Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 14 of Hacks:-

Ordinance No.....

OF HACKS.

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Controllers and Aldermen of the City of Halifax as follows:-

Section 6 of ordinance No. 14 of the Regulation of Hacks is hereby repealed and the following substituted.

6. The fee payable for each horse drawn hack shall be five dollars, and for each power propelled hack Twenty five dollars. The amount of the fee shall be deposited on application for a license and shall be returned if the application is rejected.

Approved and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council.

CHIMNEY SWEEPING.

Read letter Donald Morgan asking that he be given the City's work of chimney sweeping for the current year. Copies of the letter are ordered to be forwarded to each of the Civic Departments interested.

MILITARY GARDENING ON CAMP HILL.

Read letter Prof. F. H. Sexton, Vocational Officer, Military Hospitals Commission, as follows:-

Council ✓

*Engineer ✓
City Home ✓
Fire Dept ✓*

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Military Hospitals Commission
Halifax N S. April 2nd, 1918

Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell,
City Hall,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

We wish to make an effort to interest some of the convalescent soldiers at Camp Hill in gardening during the coming season.

I am informed that a portion of the Camp Hill grounds which lies in the North-West corner right near the willow tree, would be suitable for raising crops if it were properly prepared.

Would it be possible for the vocational branch of the Invalided Soldier's Commission which I represent to secure the use of a portion of this property for the purpose specified?

Yours very truly

F. H. Sexton.
Vocational Officer.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the request be granted.

WATER SUPPLY. 38 GRAFTON STREET, CHARLES J. SULLIVAN.

Charles J. Sullivan appeared before the Board complaining of inadequacy of water supply at his premises, 38 Grafton Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

BRANDRAM-HENDERSON LIMITED, WATER SUPPLY.

Read letter Brandram-Henderson Limited, as follows:-

BRANDRAM-HENDERSON LIMITED,
Halifax, N. S. April 4th, A. M. 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.
CITY.

Dear Sirs:-

Some time since we made a connection with the high pressure water system on

*Engineer ✓
Council ✓*

*Charles J. Sullivan
Engineer ✓*

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West Young Street, and are now having this connected with our Sprinkler System, and hereby make application for permission also to use from the same main for our ordinary water needs. The only connection we have at present is from the low service, which is never strong enough to be used on our second floor and oftentimes the pressure is too low to give us any service in any part of the factory, and we are desirous of putting a lavatory on the second floor of our main building, would find the high service a great benefit.

We trust you will be able to grant us the necessary permission so that the work can be done very shortly.

Yours very truly,

BRANDRAM-HENDERSON, Limited.
W. Geo. Hellier.
Manager Maritime Division.

Referred to the City Engineer for immediate report.

CITY PRISON DAMAGE BY EXPLOSION.

Controller Taylor verbally reports that the estimated damage done to the city Prison by the Explosion of December 6th, is \$11,000.00 about \$1600. has already been expended in emergency repair work, he estimated that \$6000. is immediately required for urgent permanent repair work.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Alderman Kelly informed the Board that the site selected for the construction of the Tuberculosis Hospital situated near the mouth of the North West Arm immediately North of Point Pleasant Park commonly known as the Peoples Heat and Light Company's property, at present owned by the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company is in the residential district and that the law pro-

Engineer ✓

*Carl Taylor ✓
Governor Grant ✓*

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hibits the erection of an Hospital build-
there. It is decided to recommend to the
City Council that the City Solicitor draft
and submit to the Legislature and Act
authorizing the erection of the Tuberculosis
Hospital on the site mentioned.

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CLEANING OF SIDEWALKS.

Alderman Kelly called attention to the
dirty condition of the sidewalks on the
South side of Sackville Street in front of
the Royal Artillery Park and suggested
that the City Engineer write the Military
authorities requesting them to clean up
the sidewalks around Military property
which are now in a dirty condition through
the failure of the Military authorities
to remove the snow and ice as required by
law. Approved.

Engineer ✓

CITY HOME WOOD YARD.

On motion of Controller Murphy it is
decided to instruct the Secretary of the
City Home to in future submit to the Board
the vouchers in connection with the op-
eration of the City Home Fuel Yard, along
with the ordinary monthly accounts.

Secy ✓
City Home

CITY HOME.

Read report City Home for month of
March, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 3/1918

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit the following report

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of Charities Department for the month of March 1918.

The Superintendents report that during the month there were 18 persons admitted into the City Home, 1 born, 15 discharged and 5 died. Of the number admitted 2 were chargeable to the Province and 16 to the City. The total number of inmates March 31, 1918 was 314 made up of 177 men, 121 women and 16 children. On the same date last year there were 177 men, 122 women and 5 children, a total of 294.

There was 1 patient admitted into the N. S. Hospital during the month whose maintenance is chargeable to the City and 1 patient was discharged.

Contract for Groceries, Dry Goods, meats, milk, Butter, Leather, and Mess Pork, and Flour will expire at end of April. It will be necessary to call for tenders for renewal of same.

Attached you will find report of Boiler Inspector and Insurance Co.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Murphy,
CONTROLLER.

It is decided to recommend to the Council that the Secretary of the City Home advertise for supplies required, tenders to be receivable for supplies for the periods of three, six and twelve months.

6 PATHS ACROSS THE COMMON.

Controller Murphy reports that the Military Authorities in constructing temporary buildings for troops on the North Common have obstructed the paths across the common preventing their use by Citizens. The Secretary is instructed to write the Military Authorities requesting them to respect the rights of the Citizens to use the foot paths crossing the commons and to so locate their buildings that there will be as little

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Works Department, Carried Forward....	\$1252.76
Streets	31.85
City Property	156.23
	<u>\$1440.84</u>

City Home.

I. B. Shaffner	Flour	\$243.00
Wentzells Ltd.	Flour & Groceries	663.82
H. L. Williston	Meat	660.11
Davis & Fraser	Pork	134.25
A. Wilson & Son	Fish	56.93
Smith & Proctor	Butter	237.82
W. Y. Kennedy	Dry Goods	264.99
William Rogers	Milk	176.70
The Fliechman Co.	Yeast	3.90
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal.	163.13
City of Halifax	"	3172.60
A. Fordhan & Co.	Leather	95
F. W. Fraser	Feed	38.33
V. H. Hospital	Medicine 4 mos.	195.57
C. G. Puttner	Dispensing	50.00
Hillis & Sons	Sundry Furn.	26.95
T. Hogan & Co.	Repairs	2.05
H. McPatridge	Horse shoeing	75
Baldwin & Co.	Crockery Ward	4.95
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Sundries	37.58
H. V. McLeod	Spectacles	24.00
Brookfield Bros.	Lumber	30.00
Amherst Boot & shoe	Boots	22.00
National Drug Co.	Insect Powder	1.65
A. J. McNut	Repair to sleigh	1.20
J. T. Dorey	Electric Rep.	9.76
N.S. Furn. Co.	Oilcloth (2)	27.50
J. D. Lavers Co.	White washing & painting	150.00
Gordon & Keith	Beds & Mattress	55.50
Halifax Herald	Advertising	8.36
Chronicle Pub. Co.	"	2.09
Blackadar Bros.	"	8.15
J. B. Mulcahy	Cash Expended	393.40
Salaries	March	821.30
Halifax Tram. Co.	Electric Light	39.83
		<u>\$7728.12</u>

Fire Department.

John Starr Son & Co.	Electrical Sup.	6.70
N. S. Frun. Co.	Dry Goods	116.40
R. N. McDonald	Broom etc.,	43.80
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Phones	61.59
F. W. Fraser	Fodder	422.61
N.S.T. & P. Co.	Light & Power	49.75
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	32.69
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	"	1.75
National Drug. Co.	Spirits	1.25
H.R. Bergmann	Oil	1.10
Burns & Kelleher	Repairs	14.65
C. H. Jordan	Shoeing	3.50
Wm. Regan	Harness Sup.	116.50
		<u>\$872.29</u>

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Fire Department.....	Forward	\$872.29
T. C. Allen	Stationery	8.95
W. H. Isnor	Repairs	50
Robt. Horner	Shoeing	10.25
O. C. Marriott	"	10.25
Halifax Herald	Advertising	6.27
Imperial Oil Co.	Oil	10.00
A. J. McNutt	Repairs	11.75
Works Dept.	Coal	1906.45
Buckley Coal Co.	"	293.00
H. McFatridge	Vet. Services	13.70
		<u>\$3143.66</u>

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL.

DEPUTY MAYOR

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 9th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Emergency Repairs to School Buildings, \$25,000.00
City Prison- Explosion Repairs.
Dump-West Young Street.
Acting City Engineer, H. W. Johnston.
Parker Street, Addition to shop in Residential District.
Gas Inspection.
Drainage 143 Gottingen Street, A. R. Richards.
Oakland Road, Temporary Building.
I. O. D. E. Canteen on Grand Parade.
Infectious Diseases Hospital.
War Risk Insurance on City Properties.
Preserving Health of American Sailors.
Halifax Power Company Plebiscite.
North West Arm, Sewer Section Oakland Road and Chain Rock.
Rubbish Deposited on Streets.
Military Huts on North Common.
Taxes and Water Rates on Properties destroyed in the Disaster.
Street Lighting.
Curbing #433 Brunswick Street.
Plebiscite re form of Civic Government.
Motor Fire Engine \$14,000.00
Halifax Relief Commission, Charter.
Fire Alarm System.

EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS, \$25,000.00

Read letter Board of School Commissioners

as follows:-

Board of School. Commissioners,
April 8th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with the agreement entered into with the Halifax Relief Commission some time ago, the Board of School Commissioners desire to make application for a further grant of \$25,000.00 for emergency repairs to school buildings, and I would be greatly obliged to you if you would be good enough to have a resolu-

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tion for this amount similar to the one passed by your Board some time ago.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

The Board is addressed by John P. Quinn Chairman and Alderman Parker representing the Board of School Commissioners explaining the necessity for securing the money at once for the accommodation of the school children.

Controller Murphy requests a statement from the School Board showing the details of the expenditure of \$25,000.00 already made or obligated for and of the expenditure of \$25,000.00 now asked.

Chairman Quinn informed the Board that it is the intention of the School Board to do so both for the benefit of the Board of Control and the Relief Commission and that such statement will be prepared as soon as a number of the smaller jobs of emergency repair work are finished.

It is unanimously decided to request the Halifax Relief Commission to loan the City of Halifax the further sum of \$25,000.00 for the specific purpose of emergency repairs to school property with the understanding that such advance is to be repaid with interest at 6 percent per annum, at such time as the Halifax Relief Commission may name on reasonable notice and after the City has obtained the necessary legislation to enable it to borrow money for school purposes

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the City to use its best endeavors to obtain the necessary legislation at the present session of the Provincial Legislature.

CITY PRISON-EXPLOSION REPAIRS.

Controller Taylor recommends that repairs to the City Prison on account of damage done by the Explosion be proceeded with at once the estimated cost is \$11,000.00.

Referred to the City Engineer for report as to the estimated cost of temporary repairs for the protection of the property.

DUMP WEST YOUNG STREET.

Alderman Parker complained of the dumping of offensive matter on the Hennessey property West Young and Gottingen Streets and stated that Military Motor No. 1470 yesterday dumped material from a dry/closet ^{earth} on the property.

The Secretary is instructed to call the attention of the Military Authorities to the complaint and also to inform the City Health Board.

Controller Murphy is requested to take the matter up with the Relief Commission.

ACTING CITY ENGINEER, H. W. JOHNSTON.

Read letter Halifax Trades and Labor Council, asking for information as to Acting City Engineer Johnston's connection with the Halifax Relief Commission.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor for report.

PARKER STREET, ADDITION TO SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

*Secy School Board
R P Bell
Auditor
Treasurer
Solicitor*

Engineer

*Col Thompson ✓
Engineer ✓
Col Murphy ✓
City Health Board ✓*

*Engineer ✓
His Worship ✓
The Mayor ✓*

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City Engineer's Office,
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His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N. S.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith an application from Patrick Gray, for permission to add a story to shop at #3 Parket Street. The Board of Control on May the 10th, authorized issuing a permit for the erection of this shop, which is within the residential district. The shop as erected is one story high, and it is proposed to add another story, which is to be used ~~as~~ for residential purposes. As permission to use the building as a shop has already been granted the addition of one story to be used for residential puproses would not add to any objection there might be to a ship alone in this district.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report is approved and the City Engineer authorized to issue the permit applied for
GAS INSPECTION.

Read letter Department of Inland Revenue re inspection of gas, as follows:-

Department of Inland Revenue,
Ottawa, 6th, April, 1918.

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

Sir:6

Your communication addressed to the Honourable the Minister on the 26th ultimo, and containing an extract from the Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Control, Halifax, held on the 19th ulto., in regard to gas inspection has been handed to the undersigned for reply.

I may say that as a result of enquiry into the complaint mad by Alderman Kelly, it would appear that he has been misinformed on the subject, as the following will indicate:-

From the 10th to the 21st of February of this year the water pipes leading from the street of our inspector's office were frozen and the calorific tests were interrupted. With this exception, however, the tests for

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calotific power have been made in accordance with the requirements of the Order in Council inaugurated in June 1915.

With regard to the test for purity (sulphur-
etted hydrogen) these have been duly made with-
out interruption and the gas found to be free
of this element and up to standard as to
heating value.

Geo. R. Taylor,
Asst. Deupty Minister.

Filed.

DRAINAGE #143 GOTTINGEN STREET, A. R. RICHARDS.

Rear report Acting City Engineer re
drainage #143 Gottingen Street, A. R. Richards,
under City Health Board regulations, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 8th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering resolution of the City Health Board that the Board of Control provide a proper system of drainage at #143 Gottingen, the owner to pay the City the cost of doing the work on the installment plan. This matter originally came up on a request from Mr. Richards that the work be done. At the time this request was made, I reported verbally to then Board that I did not think it advisable to open a paved street with the weather conditions prevailing except in a case of extreme urgency. The estimated cost of the work is about \$125. Subsequently it would appear that Mr. Richards asked the City Health Board to do the work, he to pay the cost of doing this work on the installment plan.

I reporting on the cast of the Foster prop-
erty on Dresden Row I submitted that in my
judgment the clause in the Charter allowing
the City to do work of this description and
then collection from the property owner in
three yearly installments was only meant
to cover extreme cases where the owner was
unable to finance the proposition immediately
and was not meant to be used as a means of
financing work at the City's expense by per-
sons who could afford to do it themselves.

The view was concurred in by the City Sol-
icitor. In case above cited I recommended that
the report of the Board of Health be referred

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back with a recommendation that the owner be compelled to install the plumbing instead of the Board of Control doing it. As far as my knowledge goes, the cases are similar and in Mr. Richards case I can only repeat my recommendation in the Foster case.

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the recommendation of the City Health Board be approved and the City Engineer instructed to carry out the work. Motion passed.

OAKLAND ROAD TEMPORARY BUILDING.

Read report (Covering plan) City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 9th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering application from H. E. Munroe for permission to maintain a building on City property on Oakland Road.

The building is a small, two room building covered with roofing paper, which was erected as an office by the Cook Construction Company when they were building the bridge and sewer at Oakland Road. While this work was going on there was not so much objection to the location of this building, but now that the bridge is built and as the sewer will soon be completed, and as this road is one of the main arteries to the Arm ferries, I cannot recommend that the shack be allowed to remain on City property any longer. I would recommend that the Cook Construction Company be notified to remove the same immediately.

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

Moved by Controller Murphy that Mr. Munroe be granted the privilege asked for, for the period of three months, not seconded.

*Engineer ✓
City Health Board ✓*

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Joseph Anderson appears before the Board asking a similar privilege as that applied for by H. E. Munroe for the same building.

Moved by Controller Taylor, seconded by Controller Finlay that the report of the City Engineer be approved. Motion passed.

Engineer
Rod McDonald appears before and addressed the Board on behalf of the application of Joseph Anderson. Mr. McDonald claimed to be still the owner of the portion of Oakland Road expropriated by the City out of Mr. McDonalds Property.

I. O. D. E. CANTEEN ON GRAND PARADE.

Read letter Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 9, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering letter from the Chebucto Chapter of the I.O.D.E for permission to erect a temporary building on the Parade to be used as a canteen for the convenience of soldiers and sailors.

The Chapter have been doing voluntary work in the Union Jack Club since the explosion in a building owned by the Royal Bank on George Street, which has to be vacated by them on the 1st of May.

Some time ago, when the Relief Committee asked for permission to erect a temporary office building on this site, it was opposed by some of the surrounding property owners and also by the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters on the ground that the building would be a violation of the Building Act and would increase the fire risk to properties in the vicinity.

There is no doubt of the good work that

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that has been done by the above organization and it should be supported as far as possible but as compliance with the request would mean monetary loss to a large number of property owners owing to increased insurance rates, and also as the erection of the proposed building would encroach on a portion of the Parade which is used to a large extent in the summer time as a playground and rest spot by a large number of persons who have to reside within the congested district between Argyle Street and Brunswick Street, I cannot see my way clear to recommend that the permission asked for, be granted.

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

Consideration of the report is deferred until Thursday's meeting.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

Read letter Halifax Relief Commission, as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
April 5th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

Supplementing our letter of March 15th in respect to yours of the 14th The Relief Commission is proceeding to enter into contracts for the construction of an Infectious Diseases Hospital at a total cost not to exceed Twenty-eight thousand Dollars (\$28,000) and will loan the City of Halifax the difference between the Commission's grant of Ten thousand dollars and the total cost of the building- not to exceed \$28,000 on a 6% basis.

Yours truly,

Ralph P. Bell,
SECRETARY.

Filed.

WAR RISK INSURANCE ON CITY PROPERTIES.

Read letter A. M. Jack & Son re War Risk Insurance, covering sample Policy.

Referred to Controller Finlay for report.

April 9th, 1918.

PRESERVING HEALTH OF AMERICAN SAILORS.

Read letter G. A. Burbidge, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., April 8th 1918

Mr. H.S. Colwell,
Chairman of the Retail Committee,
Board of Trade, City.

Dear Sir:-

Dr Hattie, at the last meeting of the Rotary Club, made the statement that 400 or 500 mor American Sailors would be daily allowed on shore but for certain existing conditions.

As this is a matter of considerable financial importance to the retail trade I would suggest that steps be taken to ascertain the truth of the statement, and if true find out whether it is possible to remedy conditions so that we may benefit of the patronage which, if the statement be true, is now lost.

G. A. Burbidge.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and to forward the letter to the City Health Board for reply.

HALIFAX POWER COMPANY PLEBISCITE.

Read letter Rod McCollin, as follows:-

Cragg Building,
April 6, 1918.

H. S. Colwell, Esq.,
Deputy Mayor, City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I was much interested in the action of the City Council on Thursday, when provision was made that a committee of the City Council in conjunction with the Board of Control would take up the question of enlightening the public on the conditions of the proposed Plebiscite in connection with the development of Water Power for Halifax by our company and wish to cooperate in every way possible.

I may say that I have been endeavoring to get Sir Adam Beck, who has done probably more than any other man in Canada to provide cheap light and power, generated from water power and who is now actively engaged in further efforts in this line to conserve our fuel supply, to come to Halifax and deliver

*5a Burbidge
G. Hattie ✓
Board.*

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an address before some of the Clubs. Sir Adam has received an invitation from the Canadian Club and I would suggest that an invitation from Your Worship at this time be sent to him, setting forth that the City was considering the question of obtaining Municipal control of a control of a hydro-electric plant and would like to have him address a meeting of citizens, setting forth what had been done in this line in Ontario.

Yours truly,

R. McColl.

Read Mr. McColl's

The Secretary is instructed to write Mr. McColl asking him as to whether he is sure Sir Adam Beck is coming to Halifax, and if so when.

NORTH WEST ARM SEWER-SECTION OAKLAND ROAD TO CHAIN ROCK.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

Office City Engineer,
April 9th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to recommend payment of the Cook Construction Company and Wheaton Bros, of the sum of nine thousand nine hundred and forty-eight dollars and fifteen cents (\$9948.15) on account on their contract for the construction of the North West Arm intercepting sewer from Oakland Road to Chain Rock.

Estimated value of work done	\$86,026.25
Less 10% retained	<u>8,602.62</u>
	\$77,423.63
Less paid on certificates to 6	<u>67,475.48</u>
Bal. recommended	\$9,948.15

H. W. Johnston,

Acting City Engineer.

The Account is passed for payment.

RUBBISH DEPOSITED ON STREETS.

Read report Controller Murphy, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 8th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

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Gentlemen:-

As you are aware, throughout various parts of the City there doesat present a condition due to there being deposited, brick, plaster and other rubbish removed in the pepars of different buildings, which required special attention.

I discussed the matter fully with the Relief Commission this morning, and have made arrangements whereby they will take immediate steps to have this condition remedied and the material in question removed.

John Murphy,
Controller.

Filed.

MILITARY HUTS ON NORTH COMMON.

Read report Controller Murphy, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 8/18

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I interview Colonel Thompson on Saturday last regarding the obstructions to paths on the North Common, due to the erection of buildings there by the Department of Public Works. Colonel Thompson expressed entire sympathy with the City's position in this matter and instructed those in charge of the work to do anything possible to meet our wished and avoid putting our citizens to any inconvenience which could possibly be overcome.

As you are no doubt aware, the Department of Militia has a perfect right to take control of these or any other grounds necessary for their special purposes. The plans as laid down call for the complete closing in fo the North Common. After discussing the situation and going over the plans on the ground, it has been arranged that until such time as conditions make it absolutely necessary to alter the arrangements, the paths from Welsford Street and Compton Avenue will remain open. This I feel sure will be a great conveniencet to those who use these paths and I trust the Department of Militia find it possible to carry out their work without being compelled to shut them off.

I feel satisfied that anything that Colonel Thompson can do to help out the sit-

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uation we can rest assured of his co-operation likewise that of Major Barry who has charge of the construction.

John Murphy,

Controller.

Filed.

PROPERTIES
TAXES AND WATER RATES ON/DESTROYED
IN THE DISASTER.

Read report Controller Murphy, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 8th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In the final consideration of the Water Department Estimates it was necessary that we know what provision we would require to make for the loss of revenue due to the disaster of Dec. 6th. I happened to be interviewing the Relief Commission today on other matters, and took the occasion to place this situation before them. They have consented in order to relieve us of having to ask those whose properties have been destroyed to pay water rates and other taxes involved, to advance the City such amounts as are necessary to take care of any exemptions which might be granted. Such amounts would be given subject to the same conditions as apply to other financing which the City has arranged, and until a definite policy is arrived at with regard to the final adjustment of what are purely civic losses, the advances could stand.

This arrangement would put us in a position to announce definitely to those who are entitled to exemption from taxes and water rates, that the City, under the circumstances, will not require to call on them for same.

John Murphy,

CONTROLLER.

Approved.

STREET LIGHTING.

Read report Controller Murphy, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 8th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

*Solicitor ✓
Auditor ✓
Collector ✓
Assessor ✓
R P Bell ✓
Cont. Finlay ✓*

April 9th, 1918.

Gentlemen:

The manner in which the City's interests are at present looked after regarding street lighting, reflects little credit on the officials responsible for same. The practise now in force is for the policeman on the beat to make an entry in a book kept for that purpose of all lamps reported out. Instead of these reports being immediately taken up by the City Electrician and followed up, we depend on the Halifax Electric Tramway Company sending a representative to look them over and give the matter whatever attention they deem necessary. The only step taken by the City Electrician is at the end of the month to make whatever deduction is necessary for the outages reported

*Engineer ✓
Electrician ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

I consider this a loose and unsatisfactory manner and recommend that the practice be discontinued, and that proper report forms be supplied the police, which could be immediately turned over to the City Electrician so that he could follow the matter up and have these lights put in shape promptly, as the small fines imposed do not in any way compensate the City for the inconvenience to which our citizens are put, due to lights being out of service.

John Murphy,

CONTROLLER.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CURBING #433 BRUNSWICK STREET.

Read application Howard Quinn for the bevelling of the curb stone in front of Garage at #433 Brunswick Street.

Referred to the City Engineer

PLEBISCITE RE FORM OF CIVIC GOVERNMENT.

The City Clerk is instructed to write the members of the City Council informing them that Bill No.97 entitled "An Act to enable a plebiscite to be taken in the City of Halifax as to the form of Civic Government", is now before the Legislature, and it is the privilege

Engineer ✓

*Members ✓
City Council ✓*

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of the Members to appear before the Committee of the House in either support or opposition of the Bill as they see fit.

MOTOR FIRE ENGINE \$14,000.00

Moved by Controller Hines, seconded by Controller Finlay that the City Solicitor be instructed to add to the City's Short Term Borrowing Bill the sum of \$14,000.00 for the purchase of a Motor Fire Engine. Motion Passed.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION CHARTER.

Moved by Controller Finlay, seconded by Controller Hines that the City Clerk be instructed to write to the Prime Minister, Sir. R. L. Borden and P. F. Martin, M. P., and Honorable A. K. McLean, M. P. for Halifax of informing them that the strong protest made by Citizens of Halifax at a public hearing last evening before the Committee on Law Amendments of the Local Legislature, against the passage of Bill No. 82 entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Relief Commission" and requesting them to furnish the City Clerk with any information of the Halifax Relief Commission applying for Federal Legislation and to forward a copy of any such legislation that may be applied for.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Controller Hines referred to the complaints made to him that while he was out of the City upon the outbreak of a fire at the

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
Chief Fire ✓
Depl ✓
Cont. Hines ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓

Sir R. L. Borden ✓
P. F. Martin ✓
Hon. A. K. McLean ✓

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King Edward Hotel the fire alarm box on the corner of North and Barrington Streets was out of order and ~~that~~ would not send in the alarm.

Electrician ✓
Controller Murphy informed Controller Hines that he had submitted to the Board a written report on the matter and that it was referred to the City Electrician, whose answer should have been before the Board this morning.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL,
DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 9th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this evening at 8 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman and Controllers Murphym, Finlay, and Hines.

Engineer

The City Engineer is instructed to build a camp at Willow Park for the Commanding Officer of the Military Mounted Patrol, the cost not to exceed \$125.00

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL,

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 11th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

War Risk Insurance.
Police Clothing Tenders.
Motor Taxi and Hack Service and Charges.
Dump West Young Street.
Dump on Car Works Property.
Coburg Road-Lighting.
Street Lighting.
Salvation Army Tag Day.
Repairs to City Property.
Rubbish on Streets.
Stayner's Wharf Property Repairs.
Grafton Street-Dilapidated Building.
High Cost of Living.
Paths Across the Common.
Temporary Building on Grand Parade.
Bill Boards.
Market Building.
Gottingen Street-#180-Street Line.
Victoria General Hospital Accounts for Patients

WAR RISK INSURANCE.

Read letters Rainnie & Keator re War Risk Insurance on City Property, as follows:-

Rainnie & Keator,
Halifax, N. S. April 11th, 1918

Halifax Board of Control:
CITY.

Gentlemen:-

Re: War Risk Insurance.

We beg to advise that we are in a position to insure the following civic buildings and / or their contents:

City Hall
Fire Department Buildings.
Market Building
Reservoir
City Home

at the following rates:-

If insured for full value -33¢ for six months.

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If insured for 50% of value 55¢ for six months
If insured for 25% of value 88¢ for six months.

Our cover for this class of insurance is very broad, and covers practically every contingency.

For your information we hand you herewith a copy of the cover which would apply.

Yours truly,

J. Gillis Keator.
Secretary.

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Rainnie & Keator,
April 10th, 1918.

Halifax Board of Control
CITY.

Gentlemen:-

We understand you are considering placing bombardment and explosion insurance on the different city properties. We have a very up-to-date cover for this protection, and if you will forward a list of the buildings, together with the amounts you wish to place on each, we will be pleased to frame a proposition for your approval.

Yours truly,
J. G. Rainnie.

J. Gillis Keator addressed the Board in explanation of the offer made by his Firm.

The matter is referred to Controller Finlay for report.

POLICE CLOTHING TENDERS.

Tenders for the summer uniforms for the Police Department are received and opened, as follows:-

C. Shipley & Co.	\$40.00
	40.00
	45.00
Maxwells Ltd.	\$38.50
	40.00
	42.00
	46.00
	48.00

The Tenders and samples submitted therewith

Handwritten notes in left margin:
April 11th 1918
J. Gillis Keator
Secretary

Handwritten note:
Cont. Finlay ✓

Cont. Taylor ✓
Chief of Police ✓

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are referred to Controller Taylor and the Chief of Police for report.

MOTOR TAXI AND HACK SERVICE AND CHARGES.

Read letter Commercial Travellers Association complaining of over-charge and unsatisfactory service given by Motor Tax^{is} and Cabmen.

Referred to Controller Taylor for report.

DUMP, WEST YOUNG STREET.

Read letter Col. W. E. Thompson, A. A. G., stating that he had ordered an investigation into the complaint of the dumping of offensive matter on the Hennessey property West Young Street. Filed.

DUMP-ON CAR WORKS PROPERTY.

Alderman Godwin complained to the Board that a new dump has been started on the Car Works property at Willow Park and that objectionable matter is being deposited there.

Referred to the City Health Board for attention.

COBURG ROAD-LIGHT.

Read letter F. W. Bowes, Birchdale Hotel, complaining of insufficient light on Coburg Road, West of Oxford Street.

Referred to the City Electrician for report.

STREET LIGHTING.

The City Electrician in answer to questions put by members of the Board, states that he had spoken to the Tramway Company about the unsatisfactory condition of the Street Lighting service, and that their answer, was that the condition was due to their inability to secure

Cont. Taylor ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Hon. G. E. Faulkner ✓

City Health Board ✓

Electrician ✓
F. W. Bowes ✓

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inner globes for their lamps. The Company informed him that a shipment of inner globes arrived yesterday and that there will be an improvement in the service.

SALVATION ARMY TAG DAY.

The Acting Mayor informed the Board that the Salvation Army desired to hold a Tag Day in the City on Saturday the 27th instant and requested the permission of the Board. Approved.

REPAIRS TO CITY PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 11th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Some time ago I suggested that I be authorized to proceed with the repairs of damage to City property caused by the explosion, but the matter was left in abeyance. On the 28th of February, the Mayor and Acting City Engineer were authorized by the Board of Control to appoint appraisers to inspect City properties damaged by the Explosion and to compare their estimates of damage with the figures already obtained by the Acting City Engineer.

Under this resolution, Messrs. Harris, Foley and Meagher were appointed, but I understand owing to pressure of other business, have not proceeded far with their appraisal. I do not see the necessity of waiting for these appraisements before proceeding with the work. I have been gradually replacing the glass in the City Hall with our own glazier working after hours, but I think that this building at any rate, should be immediately put in a state of repair. I would recommend that the City Engineer be authorized to proceed with the repairs of damage to the City property caused by the explosion.

H. W. Johnston.
Acting City Engineer.

On motion of Controller Murphy the Acting City Engineer is instructed to prepare specifications and call for tenders for repairs to all City

*May Crichton
121 Hollis St
Chief of Police*

Engineer

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property , except City Schools, as soon as possible.

RUBBISH ON STREETS.

The City Clerk is instructed to insert an advertisement in the newspapers calling the attention of Citizens to the law relating to the keeping of sidewalks and gutters in front of their premises free from dirt and nuisance and the regulations requiring waste paper to be tied up in bundles , properly secured against scattering.

STAYNER'S WHARF PROPERTY REPAIRS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 10th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering letter from the Dartmouth Ferry Commission asking that the City make repairs to a building on the Staynor Wharf property, so called, damaged by the late explosion.

The building referred to is a portion of the City property leased to the Dartmouth Ferry Commission, and I understand, by it sub-let to William Grant. Section 7 of the lease to the Dartmouth Ferry Commissions provides that the Commission must keep the premises and every part thereof in good order and condition and deliver up the same at the expiry or soother termination of the lease in as good order and condition as the same was or might be put in during the term of the lease. It would appear from this, that the matter of repairing the damage to the buildings is one for the Dartmouth Ferry Commission to deal with, and I do not consider the city in any way bound to repair the damage, but would suggest that if the Commission have any claim on the Relief Fund, it should be taken up with the Relief Commission direct.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to the Dartmouth Ferry Commission.

GRAFTON STREET-DILAPIDATED BUILDING.

Controller Hines called attention to the con-

*Dartmouth
Ferry
Commission ✓*

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Engineer ✓
dition of a dilapidated building on Grafton Street, east side North of Buckingham Street.

Referred to the Building Inspector for attention.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Mr. Appleby^{gale} of Berwick, Kings County appeared before the Board suggesting that the City institute a movement to bring about closer trade relations between the Farmer and the City Consumer, in order to conserve the present wastage of middlemans profits on eggs, butter and farm produce of various kinds.

It is suggested to Mr. Appleby^{applegate} that he take the subject up with the Food Controller.

PATHS ACROSS THE COMMON.

Read letter Colonel W. E. Thompson, A. A. G as follows:-

Militia and Defence,
April 10th, 1918.

To-
L. Frad. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk, Halifax, N. S.

Military Huts on Common.

Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 8th instant on the marginally noted subject, and to assure you that everything consistent with the exigencies of the service will be done to minimize the inconvenience to which citizens may be put as a result of the very necessary erection of these huts on the North Common.

W. W. Thompson,
Colonel,
A. A. G., Mil. Dist. No. 6

Filed.

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TEMPORARY BUILDING ON GRAND PARADE.

Read report Acting City Engineer, taken from:-
Board of Control Minutes, April 9th, pages 964-
965.

Also read letter Board of Fire Underwriters
as follows:-

Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters,
April 10th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 8th instant is at hand enclosing extract from Board of Control Minutes of the 4th inst. in reference to an application from Chebucto Chapter of Independent Order Daughters of the Empire for permission to erect a temporary building on the Grand Parade for the purpose of operating a Canteen, and asking for the attitude of our board in reference to this matter.

In reply I am directed to advise you that the Board's attitude in this matter will depend on the action taken by your Board of Control. The City's By Laws as we read them specifically prohibit the erection of such a building at this spot.

Of course it is unnecessary for me to point out to you that fire insurance is based on the hazards assumed and if there is to be a violation of the City's By Laws in this part of the City, the Board will have to govern their fatings accordingly.

Edward J. Fahie,
Secretary.

Copies of the above documents are ordered to be forwarded to the Independent Order of The Daughters of the Empire.

BILL BOARDS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 10th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the following applications

*Letter Amos
in Coleraine*

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from the E. L. Ruddy Co. for permission to erect bill boards.

North West corner Cunard and Hunter Sts. In connection with the application of the Company to erect a bill board on this site, I was instructed to consult with the aldermen for Wards, 4 and 5. I wrote them and received replies from each of them, stating that people in the vicinity objected to the erection of this board. There is an old barn or shed on the property in front of which it was proposed to erect the board, thus hiding the view of the latter to a certain extent, from the street. However, as the representatives of the two wards and the residents living nearby are apposed to its erection, it would appear inadvisable that the permission should be granted.

South side of South Street on fence west of house #76. This location is opposite the cemetery immediately east of the south end Rink property now used as a garage. With the exception of this garage, which is below the level of the street, the houses in the vicinity are used for residential purposes, and I do not think the erection of a bill board here would add to the attractiveness of the street.

East side Upper Water St. south of #101. As long as bill boards are permitted in the City this is one of the least objectionable sites that could be chosen for one. I would recommend that permission be granted the E. L. Ruddy Co. to erect a board on this site, the same to comply with the provisions of the ordinance

Market Street west side between George and Duke. The location of this board is on a vacant land on the west side of Market Street immediately north of a building on the north-west corner of Market and George Streets. This board, to comply with the ordinance, will have to be set back from the street, and I do not think there would be any objection to it. I would recommend that permission be granted the Company to erect it at this location.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

MARKET BUILDING.

Controller Hines asked if it is the intention soon to construct a new floor in the Public Market Building.

Controller Murphy states that an answer cannot

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be given until the City knows whether the legislation now before the House of Assembly for the borrowing of money, passed or not.

GOTTINGEN STREET NO.180-STREET LINE.

Alderman Godwin asked that action be taken by the Board on the matter in dispute as to the Street line at #180 Gottingen Street.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Hines that the City Clerk be instructed to write J. B. Kenny, Solicitor for James Godwin requesting him to name a time and place at which it would be convenient for him to meet the City Solicitor in connection with this matter. Motion passed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS FOR PATIENTS.

The matter of requiring W. E. Messervey to collect from persons able to pay the fees imposed by the Victoria General Hospital for care and maintenance of patients is referred to Controller Finlay for report.

The Board adjourned.

*Letter ✓
J. B. Kenny*

Cont. Finlay ✓

H. S. COLWELL.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. McManaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,
April 16th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- City Property Queen Street.
- Dump West Young Street.
- Erection of Building on City Store-Yard.
- Water Bill-Canada Atlantic Steamship Company.
- Morris Street-Garage.
- Fire Alarm System.
- High Tension Electric Wires.
- Union Protection Company-City Grant.
- Shop in Residential District.
- Tenders for Works Department.

CITY PROPERTY QUEEN STREET. - Mrs M Buckley

Read offer Margaret Buckley to purchase from the City a right of way through a lot owned by the City on Queen Street or to purchase the whole property.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

DUMP WEST YOUNG STREET.

Read letter Colonel W. E. Thompson, A. A.G., as follows:-

Militia and Defence,
15th April, 1918.

To
The City Clerk.
Halifax, Nova. Scotia.

Sir:-

Adverting to your communication of the 10th instant I beg to inform you that the report of the alleged dumping of fecal matter on the Hennessey property from Military Motor No 1470 on the 8th instant has been investigated. It was ascertained that the material complained of contained no fecal matter, but consisted of old shingles and cuttings off bushes, taken from a yard. It was not dumped upon the Hennessey property-it was the Drivers intention to

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deposit it there- but on the protest of a civilian present at the time he did not unload it but took it away and dumped in subsequently at No. 3 Pier where it was utilized for filling in.

W. E. Thompson, Colonel.

A. A. G., Military District No. 6.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Alderman Parker.

ERECTION OF BUILDING ON CITY STORE YARD.

Read letter Colonel, W. E. Thompson, A. A. G as follows:-

MILITIA AND DEFENCE,
April 12th, 1918.

To
L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
Duty Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Re Recruiting Hut on Parade.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your advice of the 22nd ultimo, that instructions had been given the city Engineer to remove the marginally noted hut from the Parade to the City Stoneyard, may I point out that there are restrictions about erections on this property, and to avoid future complications, the regulations in this connection should be followed, please.

W. E. Thompson, Colonel.
A. A. G., Military District. No. 6

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

WATER BILL CANADA ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
December 13th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that the meter at the Plant Wharf was out of order during half the year complained of. The bill was made up by charging an amount equal to the corresponding period of the previous year.

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From the best information I can get, I find that the contention of the Plant Company is correct, that this season they had only one steamer running, whereas the previous year they had two steamers making two and three trips a week.

Under these circumstances I would recommend that the bill be made up on a consumption of 1,200,000 gallons.

H. W. Johnston.
Acting City Engineer.

The report is again approved.

MORRIS STREET GARAGE.

Read protest Mrs. E. M. Casey-Oland against the construction of a garage at # 108 Morris Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read report City Electrician, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
April 15th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor.
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In compliance with your request for a report on Controller's Murphys recommendation re Fire Alarm Telegraph.

In wish in the first place to state that I am not quite clear as to the exact meaning of the recommendation above referred to as to whether the proposition is, to take the responsibility of maintaining, and operating the F. A. System, from the City Electrician and give it to the Fire Chief, or to divide the responsibility, by giving the Chief charge of the Signal Boxes alone, the balance of the system remaining in charge of the Electrician as at present.

In my judgement ~~of-the~~ there are serious difficulties in both propositions; but the first one would be the least objectionable in principle due to the absence of dual responsibility.

If in the judgement of this Board, the Fire Chief has the necessary qualifications, and time to devote to the work there is no

Council ✓
Lester Col ✓
H. L. Chipman ✓

Engineer ✓
Mrs. E. M. Casey Oland ✓

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reason I can see why the scheme would not be satisfactory, and personally I would be glad to be relieved of a responsibility that carries with it of necessity, considerable anxiety.

A As to the second proposition, I am unable to see how it can be applied with any degree of satisfaction; for under this arrangement the responsibility for the proper operation of the whole system would be shared alike by two persons, and this one feature is, in my judgement sufficient to condemn such a scheme.

It would be obviously unfair, to ask or expect anyone to be responsible for work done by another, no matter how capable or painstaking, who was not under his control. And that is what, in effect this proposition means.

There are so many ways in which a F. M. System can go wrong that it would be utterly impossible in some cases to determine whether the box was at fault, or some other part of the system. In other words it would be very easy for the man in charge of the boxes to put the blame on some other part of the system in-fault for a fault in the box, and vice versa and there would be absolutely no way in some cases, of proof to the contrary.

In such event of the proposition being put into force I should be forced to ask to be relieved of all responsibility as to the proper functioning of any part of the system.

R. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Electrician is instructed to immediately make a thorough inspection of the Fire Alarm System and Fire Alarm Boxes and to make a daily written report^s to the Board of Control as to the progress of his investigation and the condition of the service.

HIGH TENSION ELECTRIC WIRES.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City

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Electrician is instructed to make an immediate written report on the High Tension wires supplying the Town of Dartmouth with electric current through cables ~~supplying~~ strung along the business district of the City.

UNION PROTECTION SOMpany-CITY GRANT.

Read application Union Protection Company for an increase in the annual grant made by the City towards the maintenance of the Company's services.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Company that the City's estimates for next year were made up some time ago, and that it is impossible at the present time for the city to make any change in the amount of the Union Protection Company's appropriation.

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT. # 365 ROBIE ST.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 16th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith an application from E. K. Borne for permission to build a shop and dwelling at #356 Robie Street between Cherry and Shirley Streets.

At present there is a small shop in connection with an old building on these premises. The intention is to enlarge this to take in practically the whole of the ground floor as a shop. The Act creating a residential district, provides that where premises were used for shop purposed on the coming in force of the Act, the use for this purpose could be continued but not to greater extent than the premises were used on the passing of the Act.

An advertisement was inserted that the application for the shop was to be made. So far I have had no replies.

✓
Letter
Electrician

HP Borne ✓
Capt. U.P.C.

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Robie Street is now boulevarded from Coburg Road to Jubilee Road and in the near future this work will likely be extended northwardly at least to Cunard Street and southwardly to South Street. I do not think it needs any argument from me to show the improvement which this makes in a street, and as we have very few streets of sufficient width to treat in this manner, in my judgment the provisions of the Act fixing a residential area should be enforced on such a street.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Deferred until Thursday's meeting.

TENDERS FOR WORKS DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

Tenders for supplies and services for the Works Department for 1918-19 are received and opened from the following:-

Bricks.....	Brookfield Bros.
Castings.	Flemming Bros. Douglas Foundry Co.
Clocks.	H. E. Steele, F. C. Ryan.
Drain Pipes	Brookfield Bros.
Granite	A. W. Yeadon.
Hardware	Webster Smith & Co. Lawrence Hardware Co. James Simmonds, Ltd.
Horses and drivers	W. D. Isnor Fred Parsons.
Lumber	Brookfield Bros.
Manure	J. Ritchie
Sand and Gravel	Atlantic Sand & Gravel Co.
Scrap Iron.	William Grant John Simon William McFatriage, Joseph Thompson.
Stop Cocks	Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow Jas. Robertson Co. T. McAvity & Son.
Veterinary Services	Howard McFatriage

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Wheels

A. E. Carnell.

The Board adjourned.

The Board of Control met this evening at 10-30 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, Controllers Fines, Binley and Murphy.

LIST OF EMPLOYEES.

Police,
City Parks Undertakers,
Fire Alarm System.

H. S. COLWELL.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

Provincial Highway 10,
Sewer Street Subways,
Over and Under Bridge Street,
City Horse Flushing,
South Street Bumping,
City Market,
Water Pipe Service (Suburban),
City Gas-Insoluble Plants,
Military Bus on North Street,
Victoria General Hospital Plant,
Shop in Residential District on St. Charles.

PROSECUTIONS.

The Chief of Police submits applications for the position of violators to be prosecuted as follows:

- Charles W. Jones
- Leo E. MacIntyre
- Frederick E. Sullivan
- Harry E. Smith
- Thomas G. Young
- Charles A. Alford
- James J. MacIntyre
- David L. Bennett
- James J. Smith
- Richard P. Franklin

The Chief recommends the appointment of

the following named as violators to be prosecuted

the following named as violators to be prosecuted

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10-30 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, Controllers Hines, Rinlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Policemen.
City Prison Underkeepers.
Fire Alarm System.
Alexander McKay School.
Hillis & Sons Limited.
Coal Weighers Monthly Report.
Fenwick Street Dump.
Provincial Highway Act.
Seymour Street Sidewalk.
Snow and Ice, George Street.
City Home Plumbing.
South Street Numbering.
City Market.
Motor Fire Engine "Chebucto".
City Home-Incorrigible Inmate.
Military Huts on North Common.
Victoria General Hospital-Patients.
Shop in Residential District-Robie Street.

POLICEMEN.

The Chief of Police submits applications for the position of Policemen (6 vacancies) as follows:-

Gladstone W. Farmer
Leo. B. Clattenburg.
Frederick B. Squires.
Harry E. Dimock.
Thomas Guy Mauger.
Charles R. Algee.
James J. Bellfountain.
Reece M. Duffett.
James J. Meehan.
Eugene P. Prodhome.

The Chief recommends the appointment of the following named as temporary Policemen to take the place of Policemen now serving overseas:-

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Gladstone W. Farmer, Charles R. Algee and
Frederick B. Squires. Approved.

Chief of Police ✓

The Chief of Police recommends the pro-
motion from the temporary force to the perman-
ent force of the following named Policemen:-
Jerry L. Power, Damas J. Beazley and Alfred
Woolaston. Approved.

CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPERS.

Read applications for the position of
underkeepers (2) at the City Prison, as
follows:-

William H. Breen.
Harry Hunter.
Freeman White.

Council ✓

Governor Grant of the City Prison recommends
the appointment of Harry Hunter and Freeman
White. Approved, and recommended to the
City Council for their concurrence.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read report City Electrician re Fire
Alarm System, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office
April 17th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that the following
F. A. Boxes have this day been inspected, viz:
Nos. 93, 9, 95, 45, 7, 65, 73, 63, (found
people who had key had moved so replaced
it in house near by). All in first class
condition.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

A copy of the report is ordered to be
forwarded to the Chief of the Fire Department

*Chief Fire Dept. ✓
City Clerk ✓*

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to be kept by him on a special file for the purpose.

ALEXANDER MCKAY SCHOOL.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners re Alexander McKay School, as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners.
April 18th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

At an emergent meeting of the Board of School Commissioners held this morning, the following Resolution was adopted:-

"That in accordance with the suggestion of Mr. T. S. Rogers, Chairman Halifax Relief Commission, the Board concur in his suggestion in order to facilitate matters in connection with the housing of school children in the north end district of the City, as follows:-

That the Halifax Relief Commission, the contractors of Alexander McKay School, and the Board of School Commissioners each appoint one appraiser to appraise the loss caused by the explosion on this building, and if all interested are willing, the amount of this appraisement will be paid on the following basis:-

Halifax Relief Commission, half the loss.
Contractors, one quarter the loss.
School Commission, one quarter the loss."

This Resolution to be subject to the approval of the Board of Control and the Governor-in-Council.

S. J. Wilson,

Secretary.

J. P. Quinn, Chairman, W. R. Wakeley and C. P. Wood, representing the School Board appeared before and addressed the meeting.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that the Secretary be directed to inform the Board of School Commissioners that the Board of Control is of the opinion it is advisable the contracts entered into for the

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School Board

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construction and completion of the Alexander McKay School be carried out. Motion passed, the representatives of the School Board present expressed their concurrence.

HIBBIS & SONS LIMITED.

Read letter Hillis & Sons Limited, as follows:-

Hillis & Sons, Limited.
April 16th, 1918.

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

We have purchased the Wothrow property on Kempt Road, and now have buildings under for a foundry, machine shop, etc., under construction. We intend employing quite a large number of men, and getting established as quickly as possible. Owing to the severe loss we sustained through the explosion, and the present high cost of rebuilding, as well as having to commence the foundry business all over again, we feel we are entitled to some concession from the City, and wish to apply for exemption from taxation and water, on land and plant for a term of at least ten years.

In our foundry business last year, wages amounted to \$70,000.00

Trusting this will have your favorable consideration at an early date, we are,
Hillis & Sons. Ltd.
James Hillis.

It is decided to forward the communication to the City Council for discussion at the special meeting of the Council to be called for Thursday evening 25th instant.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter and to inform Messrs. Hillis & Sons that the same will receive the serious consideration of the City and will be submitted to the City Council

*Council ✓
Letter ✓
Hillis & Sons ✓
S.S.*

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at its next meeting.

COAL WEIGHERS REPORT FOR MARCH.

Read report Coal Weighers for month of March, showing each man to have received \$94.69. Filed.

FENWICK STREET DUMP.

Read letter W. C. Board complaining of the condition of Fenwick Street dump and giving notice that he will commence action in the Supreme Court without further notice unless conditions are remedied.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and to inform Mr. Boak that his communication will be forwarded to the City Health Board with a request that they call a special meeting of that body for 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to consider the same and other matters.

On motion of Controller Murphy the Acting Secretary of the City Health Board is called before the meeting and instructed to call a special meeting of the City Health Board for tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of considering Mr. Boak's complaint and also the question of a general cleaning up of back-yards throughout the City.

PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS ACT.

Read letter Provincial Highways Board, as follows:-

Provincial Highway Board,
April 16th, 1918.

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

Council ✓

*Letter
W C Boak ✓
Health Board ✓*

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Will you kindly furnish the Provincial Highway's Board with the net amount of assessment of your Town for 1918, and if you are in a position to do so, will be very grateful if you will furnish also, the net amount of the assessment of your Town to the road tax for 1918.

Jas. K. Kelloher,
Secretary-Provincial Highways Board.

Referred to Controller Finlay for report

SEYMOUR STREET -SIDEWALK.

Read petition J. Plimsoll Edwards for a concrete sidewalk in front of his property #78 Seymour Street.

The Secretary is instructed to inform Major Edwards that the policy of the City at the present time is to curtail sidewalk construction and that there is so much sidewalk already ordered for this year that it will be impossible to lay a sidewalk in Seymour Street.

The petition is referred to the City Engineer for report.

SNOW AND ICE-GEORGE STREET.

Read letter Mrs. A. Nodding as follows:-

83 Hollis Street,
Halifax, N. S.

To The Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

On April 5th walking down George Street, corner of Granville Street I fell and broke my wrist because of ice on the sidewalk I therefore beg to make a claim for damages and for doctor's bill.

Waiting the favor of your reply,
I am,

Yours truly,
Mrs. A. Nodding.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

Cont. Finlay ✓

Mrs. P. Edwards ✓
Engineer ✓

Solicitor ✓
Mrs. A. Nodding ✓

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CITY HOME PLUMBING.

Tenders for plumbing work at the City Home are received and opened, as follows:-

George A. Perrier-----\$1,287.00
Hillis & Sons Ltd..... 1,227.00

Referred to Controller Hines for report.

SOUTH STREET NUMBERING.

Controller Hines informed the Board that Mr. Baker had complained to him that South Street is not numbered properly.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY MARKET.

Controller Hines again asked what is being done to the City Market Building, whether it is to be used this year for market purposes.

Controller Murphy informs the Board that the matter is under consideration.

The subject is referred to Controller Murphy for report.

MOTOR FIRE ENGINE "CHEBUCTO".

On recommendation of Controller Hines it is decided to call the new Motor Fire Engine at present being constructed for the City by the American La France Fire Engine Company, "Chebucto".

CITY HOME INCORRIGIBLE INMATE.

Controller Hines informs the Board that a man named Stattery at present in the City Prison will soon be released from there and will likely return to the City Home where he is a frequent inmate. He considered this man too violent to be kept in the City Home

*Seely ✓
City Home
Cont. Hines*

Engineer ✓

Cont. Murphy ✓

*Letter ✓
Am La France
Fire Engine
Co.*

*City Medical
Office ✓*

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and suggests that other means should be taken for his care.

Referred to the City Medical Officer for report.

MILITARY HUTS ON NORTH COMMON.

Read extract Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 4th, referring to this Board the suggestion that a clause be added to the agreement to be made with the Military Authorities respecting the erection of temporary huts for troops on the North Common, providing that the Military Authorities grade the land after removal of temporary structures.

*Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓*

Approved, and referred to the City Engineer and City Solicitor to be incorporated in the agreement proposed in the City Engineer's report dated March 12th, 1918.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

Controller Murphy reports that following an interview with the Honorable Commissioner of Works and Mines, he had received from the Honorable Mr. Armstrong the following communication:-

Works and Mines,
April 17th, 1918

John Murphy, Esq.,
Controller,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

In construing the provisions of this Act I am quite willing to agree and hereby agree that in determining any dispute arising under this Act, as between the City of Halifax and the Hospital, no liability shall be imposed upon the City unless the Patient concerning whom the dispute arises has been

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in the City for at least one year prior to date of admission to the Hospital.

Futher, that this undertaking shall apply to any disputed claims concerning patients admitted to the V. G. Hospital on and after the 1st of January, 1918.

I beg to suggest that any disputed claims arising subsequent to 1st October 1917, and prior to the 1st of January 1918, be submitted to some independent party or parties for determination, whose determination shall be final. This would better enable me to deal with other Municipalities in case it is finally determined the City is not liable.

In the meantime, if these proposals are agreeable I would suggest and recommend a withdrawal of the proposed amendment of this year.

E. H. Armstrong,
Commissioner of Public Works & Mines

Controller Murphy is requested to again take up with the Honorable Commissioner of Works and Mines the paragraph in the letter relating to accounts in dispute between the period from October 1st, 1917 to January 1st, 1918 with a view of obtaining the Commissioners consent to eliminate the clause from his letter. The balance of the letter is unanimously accepted by the Board.

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - ROBIE STREET

Read petition against the enlargement of a shop at Camp Hill on Robie Street in the residential district by E. K. Boorne, also read report of the Acting City Engineer on the subject, submitted at the last meeting of the Board.

Mr. Boorne appears before and addresses the Board.

Cont. Armstrong ✓

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*Letter
C. H. Hobbs ✓*

Further consideration is deferred until Tuesday's meeting, in order that the petitioners and Mr. Boerne may have further opportunity to be heard.

The Board adjourned.

Wells Street 2305 City in Residential District.
Water Supply Sallow Park.
Explosion.
Fire Heat Venters.
Halifax Relief Commission.
City Market.
Fire Alarm System.
Victoria General Hospital Patients.
Police Uniform Clothing.
Queen Street 2nd of May.
Cathedral Street 2100 - James Coburn.
Tenders for Parks Department Supplies.
City Hall Clock.
Water Works.
Valances of Streets-Automobiles.

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Power-Driven Fire Department.
City Heat Tenders for Heating.
Chief of Fire Department-Automobiles.
Council Hill Police.
Police Department Appropriation.

QUEEN STREET 2305 - ZONE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Apply said report to the City Engineer as
application of E. C. Deane for permission to build
a shop and dwelling of 2305 Queen Street between
George and William Streets in the residential zone.

The matter having been deferred to a future
opportunity to the parties to be heard these
present are given the privilege to address the
Board.

C. H. Hobbs, Alderman Kelly, J. E. Harris,
E. J. Stapp, and others advised the hearing in
opposition to the petition and present a petition.

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 Hines, Finlay, Taylor and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Robie Street # 365 Shop in Residential District.
WATER Supply Willow Park.
Explosion.
Fire Hose Tenders.
Halifax Relief Commission.
City Market.
Fire Alarm System.
Victoria General Hospital Patients.
Police Uniform Clothing.
Queen Street Right of Way.
Gottingen Street #180 - James Godwin.
Tenders for Works Department Supplies.
City Hall Clock.
Water Meters.
Foreman of Streets-Automobile.
Water Rates-T. D. E. Piars, Jubilee Road.
Water Bill-Francis Moore, 23 Charles Street.
Camp at Willow Park for Military Patrol.
Hydro-Electric Power-Halifax Power Company.
City Home Tenders for Plumbing.
Chief of Fire Department-Automobile.
Citadel Hill Policing.
Police Department Appropriation.

ROBIE STREET #365 -SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Again read report Acting City Engineer re application E. K. Boorne for permission to build a shop and dwelling at #365 Robie Street between Cherry and Shirley Streets in the residential area.

The matter having been deferred to afford an opportunity to the parties to be heard those present are given the privilege to address the Board.

C. R. Hoben, Alderman Kelly, R. M. Hattie, W. J. Riggs, and others address the meeting in opposition to the petition and present a petition

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supplementary to the memorial submitted at the last meeting.

Mr. Boorne and Chas. J. Burchell representing him as his Solicitor address the Board and present a petition in support of Mr. Boorne's application.

Moved by Controller Murphy that the permit applied for be granted. Not seconded.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Finlay that the report of the ^{Acting} City Engineer recommending that the application be refused be adopted. Motion passed.

WATER SUPPLY WILLOW PARK.

Chas. S. Pickford complained to the Board that there is no water supply at his residence Willow Park, asks if the Victoria General Hospital has been disconnected from the High Service and if not why.

The Acting City Engineer in answer to questions replied that the high service had not been cut off from the Victoria General Hospital because it had been understood this was not to be done until the Hospital Authorities had opportunity to install a pumping plant. The installation of the low service system into the City Home would likely be started about Monday next.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Finlay that the City Clerk write The Honorable Commissioner of Works and Mines asking him when he expects that the pumping plant for forcing water from the low service system for supplying the Hospital with water will be installed. Motion passed.

Engineer

Hon & Amending Engineer

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EXPLOSION.

Read letter Rhodes Curry Co, Ltd, as follows:-

Rhodes Curry Company, Limited.

April 19th, 1918.

City of Halifax,
City.

Gentlemen:- Attention-City Treasurer.

We notice a balance standing on our books against the City at March 31st, of \$853.50 representing goods purchased from December to date above stated.

The greater portion of this, we believe covers material shipped to the City Prison, and as our terms are THIRTY DAYS NET, you see that this account, in part, is considerably past due; and we would thank you to let us have your cheque promptly for same.

Thanking you in advance, we remain,

Rhodes Curry Co. Limited,
L. B. Eaton,
Accountant.

Halifax Relief Commission.
April 18th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
City Hall,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

The Commission this morning considered the statements submitted by your Committee yesterday, covering special accounts totalling \$16,415.11 and in accordance with your statement showing the portion of this amount that may be considered as directly applicable to Emergency Relief, and on the understanding that such is the amount covering this item the Relief Commission will on application in writing from the City confirming this letter issue a cheque for \$2,359.86.

Consideration of the adjustment of the other account must be deferred for the present.
R; P. Bell,
Secretary.

Referred to the City Council's Advisory Committee for immediate action.

*His worship
the Mayor*

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FIRE HOSE TENDERS.

In response to advertisement in the Newspapers tenders for fire hose are received and opened from the following:-

Canadian Rubber Company.
Empire Rubber Co, Stairs Sons & Morrow.
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co, Lawrence Hardware Co
Dunlop Fire & Rubber Co.
Goodyear Tires & Rubber Co.
Gutta Percha & Rubber Co.
Birch & Co. Ltd. London Eng.
Austen Bros.

Referred to Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department for report.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION.

Read acknowledgement from Rt. Hon. Sir R. L. Borden and Hon. A. K. McLean of receipt of communications relating to anticipated Federal Legislation respecting the Halifax Relief Commission. Filed.

CITY MARKET.

Read letter Mrs. F. Seeley, Gray Court, Cow Bay on various matters relating to the City Market.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report in writing.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read reports (2) City Electrician re fire alarm system as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
April 19th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The following F. A. Boxes have been

*Chief Fire Dept.
Cont. Hines*

Cont. Murphy

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examined yesterday and today and found in good working condition.

No. 17, 21, 214, 27, 29, 69, 61, 6, 57, 39, 93, 63, 26, 28, and 58.

P. R. Colpitt,

City Electrician.

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City Electricians Office,
April 22nd, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
And Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

The followings F. A. signal boxes have been tested and found in good working condition.

April 20th, No. 20, 41, 42, 52, 43

April 22nd, No. 22, 63, 67, 6, 61, 312

The last is a new number the box being now located on Bell Road near Wanderers grounds gate.

P. R. Colpitt,

City Electrician.

The reports are ordered to be filed and copies sent to the Chief of the Fire Department.

The City Electrician is instructed to in future in addition to sending his reports to the Board of Control to daily send a copy of his report to the chief of the fire Department.

Controller Hines reported that the fire Alarm box at Ungars Laundry is out of order and that there is some question as to who has to bear the expense of the maintenance of it in a satisfactory condition.

The City Electrician is instructed to have the box placed in proper condition and to charge the cost to Unger's Laundry; also

*Chief Fire Dept -
Electrician*

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to make a general report on all private fire alarm signal boxes with recommendations as to cost of maintenance.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

Read report Controller Murphy as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., April 22nd, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gnetlemen:-

The attached letter bearing date of 17th., confirms discussion which writer had with Mr. Armstrong, Hon. Commissioner of Works and Mines, regarding City's responsibility for patients sent to the Victoria General Hospital.

As the Board is aware, a bill was introduced at the present session, which fixed the responsibility for such maintenance on any municipality after patient admitted had resided therein for a period of 30 days. This would undoubtedly have been a serious matter to this City where the Institution is located. The final arrangement under which the Commissioner of Public Works and Mines has consented to the withdrawal of this bill is that the term of settlement fixing the responsibility is to be 12 months.

The question of the various accounts in dispute between the City and Province, since the coming into effect of the legislation of last session, namely Oct. 1917, was fully gone into by the Commissioner and myself. I pointed out to him the difficulty of our doing anything on accounts for patients admitted last year, and after discussing the matter fully, he consented to waive disputed claims previous to January 1st of present year, the City consenting to adjust for any patients admitted on or after that date on the basis of the new arrangement namely one year's residence.

Under all the circumstances I feel that this is a fair and equitable adjustment of the problem and trust the board and Council will concur.

The Honorable Minister of Public Works and Mines has asked that we confirm this arrangement in writing, as a matter of record and to avoid any later question arising I would therefore recommend that such confirmation be sent.

John Murphy, Controller.

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Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report of Controller Murphy be approved and recommended to the City Council for concurrence, and that the decision of the Board of Control be communicated to The Honorable The Commissioner of Works and Mines forthwith. Motion passed.

POLICE UNIFORM CLOTHING.

On motion of Controller Taylor it is decided to recommend to Council the acceptance of the tender of Maxwells Ltd. of \$42.00 per suit for summer uniforms for the Police Department.

QUEEN STREET RIGHT OF WAY.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering letter from Mrs. Margaret Buckley asking for a right-of-way through a lot owned by the City on Queen Street.

I have had the accompanying plan prepared which shows Mrs. Buckley's property and also other properties in this vicinity. As the plan shows, the City owns a property about 115 feet front on Queen Street and 45 feet deep opposite the extension of Green Street through a portion of it the fresh water brook sewer flows. Mrs. Buckley purchased the property on rear of ~~the~~ this City property which adjoins and now forms part of her property fronting on Victoria Road. She asks that the City sell her a right of way over the City lot to reach the rear of this property or sell her the whole of the city lot or buy her lot.

As I mentioned before, the property forms part of the Victoria Road property, and an entrance to it can be had through this portion of it. With the developments taking place ~~at~~ in the south end in connection with this new station and terminals

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it is difficult to foresee what effect these will have on property in this vicinity and what alterations to streets may be necessary or what public buildings may require to be erected. For these reasons I do not think the City should sell this land. The sewer runs through the northern portion of the City lot and I can see no objection to giving Mrs. Buckley a lease of a 15 ft right of way ~~through~~ over the north end of the lot. This lease should contain a provision that fences and gates be erected and maintained to the satisfaction of the City Engineer that the lease may be cancelled on three month's notice being given, and that the Lessee maintain the surface of the right of way and surroundings to the satisfaction of the City. If the Board decide to grant the application, I would recommend that an annual rental of \$10. be charged.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by
Controller Finlay that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

GOTTINGEN STREET #180 - STREET LINE#
JAMES GODWIN.

Read letter J. B. Kenny, Solicitor for
James Godwin, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. April 20th, 1918.

Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:

Referring to Mr. Monaghan's recent letter to me concerning the claim of James Godwin, I have to say that what Mr. Godwin wants is not an interview with the Board, but that the City should complete the stated case for submission to the Court.

Mr. Bell and I have reached a certain stage, but the matter has now come to a halt, and Mr. Godwin is naturally complaining of the delay, which now extends over several years. The proposed case was submitted to the City authorities nearly a year ago and has not yet been agreed to, nor anything definite done about it.

Mr. Godwin has already exhausted his remedy by way of interview, having discussed

*Recommended
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the matter with the Board of Contr 1
at several meetings. He now asks that
the Stated Case should be completed.

Solicitor ✓

J. B. Kenny,

Referred to the City Solicitor for report
TENDERS FOR WORKS DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

Read report Acting City Engineer as
follows:-

City Engineer's Office,

April 17th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report that in reply to the
advertisement calling for tenders for supplies
for the Cty Works Department for the Civid
year 1918-19 the following bids were received-

BRICKS. Brookfield Bros. \$13.50 a thous-
and delivered at
I. R. C. freight
depot.

This being the only tender, and the
price being reasonable under existing
conditions, I would recommend that
the tender be accepted.

CASTINGS. Flemming Bros. Schedule rates \$4887
Douglas Foundry Co. " " 4326

The tender of the Douglas Foundry Co-
mpany being the lowest, I would re-
commend that it be accepted.

CLOCKS. H. E. Steele Citadel Clock \$65
F. C. Ryan " " 100.

Mr. Steele also tenders to do the main-
tenance required on the City Hall Clock
when the same is put in order, for \$65
I would recommend that his tender
being the lowest be accepted.

DRAIN PIPES. Brookfield Bros. \$12.50 for the
total quantity
of various sizes
required.

This price being reasonable, I would
recommend that the tender be accepted.

GRANITE. Andrew W. Yeadon Schedule rates.
This in the only tender received for
this work. The prices are very high

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GRANITE.

than last year and as it is uncertain what quantity of granite will be required during the ensuing year, I would recommend that this tender be not accepted, but that prices be obtained for material as required, and the work given to the lowest bidder.

HARDWARE.

Lawrence Hardware Co. Schedule Rate
James Simmonds Ltd, " "
Webster Smith & Co.

The latter firm tenders only for lanterns and lantern globes. The Lawrence Hardware Company do not tender for all supplies.

I would recommend the acceptance of the tender of James Simmonds Limited.

HORSES AND DRIVERS FOR WATERING CARTS.

W. D. Isner \$6.00 per day.
Fred Parsons \$7.00 per day.

I would recommend that the tender of W. D. Isner for supplying horses and drivers for City Watering Carts, be accepted.

LUMBER Brookfield Bros. Schedule Rates

This was the only tender received and the prices quoted are higher than the current rate. I would recommend in this case that lumber be purchased as required, and that no contract be left.

MANURE. T. Ritchie \$15.00
I would recommend that this tender of T. Ritchie for removing manure from the City Stables be accepted.

SAND AND GRAVEL. Atlantic Sand and Granite Co. 9¢ per bush
This tender is considerably higher than the price we paid last year, I do not see however any chance of buying it any at any lower price, so I would recommend the acceptance of the tender.

SCRAP IRON.

John Simon \$22.25
William Grant 16.50
William McFarridge 6.00
Joseph Thompson 9.00

John Simon's tender being the highest, I would recommend that it be accepted.

STOPCOCKS. James Robertson 70¢ 1 1/4" 1.30 1" 2.02

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	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	$\frac{3}{4}$ "	1"
Wm Stairs Son & Morrow	1.08	1.78	2.00
T. McAvity & Son.	1.75	2.00	3.00

James Robertson & Sons' prices are 2% 30 days, net three months, I would recommend that the tender of James Robertson & Co., being the lowest, be accepted.

LEAD PIPE. The only tender received for lead pipe is from James Simmonds Limited, who will not tender to delivery during the year except at manufacturers list price from time to time, They offer to supply about fifteen tons at present for \$13.70 per 100 pounds, and quote pig lead for immediate delivery at 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ per pound. As reported last year in this connection, this material varies in price and may be higher or lower than the price at the present time. I would recommend in this case that five tons be purchased immediately and the balance of our requirements be purchased at the best market price when we require the same.

VETERINARY SERVICE. Howard McFatridge \$10 per horse

This is the only tender received, and the price being reasonable I would recommend its acceptance.

<u>WHEELS FOR WAGONS AND CARTS.</u>		A. E. Carnell.
Large front wheels for watering carts ea.		\$26.83
Small " " " " " "		24.46
Large hind " " " " "		32.81
Small " " " " "		25.73
Front wheels for flat wagons		26.78
Hind " " " " "		28.75

These prices are lower than last year, when they were 50% higher than the previous year and now contract was awarded, the wheels being purchased as required, at market rates. The prices quoted this year, seem to be reasonable, and I would recommend the acceptance of A. E. Carnell's tender.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

The report is considered clause by clause.

Bricks.	Approved.
Castings.	Approved.
Clocks.	Deferred until Thursdays meeting
Drain Pipe.	Approved.
Granite.	Approved.
Hardware.	Deferred until Thursdays meeting

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Horses and Drivers for Watering Carts, Approval

Lumber. Approved.

Manure. The City Engineer is instructed to write John McKeen, Chairman of the Committee to Cultivate Vacant Lots asking if that Committee is prepared to remove the manure from the City's Stables and to put up a bond for the regular removal of same, in the meantime further consideration of the clause is deferred.

Sand and Gravel. Deferred.

Scrap Iron. Approved.

Stopcocks. Approved.

Lead Pipe. This clause of the report is approved with the recommendation suggested by Controller Hines, that 10 tons of lead pipe be purchased immediately instead of 5 tons as suggested by the City Engineer.

Veterinary Service. Approved.

Wheels for Watering Carts. Approved.

CITY HALL CLOCK.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Acting under instructions of the Board, I have had the City Hall Clock examined by Mr. Ryan and submit herewith copy of his report. It would appear that the clock is so badly damaged that it is impossible to repair it, and I would ask for your instructions whether to board up the windows temporarily and ask for tenders for a new clock, or fill in the windows with glass and leave the matter of putting in a new clock for the present.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Engineer ✓
The City Engineer is instructed to board up the clock windows of the City Hall tower for the present.

WATER METERS.

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

City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Comptroller ✓
We have no large sized water meters on hand and it is absolutely necessary that we should obtain some. I have asked for prices of Lambert and Trident meters in the various sizes required with the following results.-

<u>SIZE</u>	<u>LAMBERT</u>	<u>TRIDENT.</u>
1-inch	\$20.00	\$24.00
1½-inch	40.00	47.00
2-inch	62.50	72.00
3-inch	100.00	120.00
4-inch	220.00	200.00
6-inch	440.00	400.00

(All F.O.B. New York) (freights allowed less duty and war tax)

I would recommend the purchase of two 6-inch Tridents one 4-inch Trident, two 3-inch Tridents, four 2-inch Lamberts, four 1½-inch Lamberts, and five 1-inch Lamberts, it being absolutely necessary to have this number of meters.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Engineer ✓
The City engineer is requested to submit a report as to where the meters proposed to be purchased are to be installed with recommendations as to rental charges for meters, in the meantime consideration of the report is deferred.

FOREMAN OF STREETS-AUTOMOBILE?

Read report Acting City Engineer as follow:-

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City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd, 1918

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

On Sept. 24th I reported that the Ford Car used by the Foreman of Streets had outlived its usefulness, and recommended that a new car be purchased for him. The efficiency of the work is suffering through the Foreman not having a car, and I would recommend that authority be granted immediately for the purchase of a car for the Foreman of Streets

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

WATER RATES-T.L.E. PIERS. JUBILEE ROAD.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd, 1918

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering letter from Mr. Piers asking for a reduction in his water rates.

The water was extended to Mr. Piers' house on the south side of Jubilee Road on his signing a bond for \$44.91. This included a special reduction of \$10 made by the City Council. The bonds are revised every year and the rates reduced as new houses are supplied from the pipe. Mr. Piers claims a reduction owing to the extension of a main pipe in Rosebank Avenue which tapped the Jubilee Road main.

I do not see that this had any bearing on the matter of Mr. Piers' house-rates. The water could have been supplied to Rosebank directly from Connaught Avenue, but as a matter of economy it was extended from the Jubilee Road main and as Mr. Piers has already obtained special concessions in the above mentioned reduction from the original bond, I cannot recommend the granting of his request.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Approved.

WATER BILL FRANCIS MOORE 23 CHARLES ST.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows

City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Water Bill of #23 Charles Street for the period between Dec. 28, 1916 and Sept. 11, 1917 amounting to \$14.06, and claimed to be excessive. On looking over the records I find that the consumption at this property before and after the period complained of, averaged from 300 to 600 gallons per month. In Dec. 1916 the consumption was over 15,000 gallons and note in the meter reader's book states that the taps were left running. From November to March the consumption was very large and it would appear ~~and~~ that water was allowed to waste during that winter.

I have had the meter tested and find that it registers properly, and I have no doubt that the large consumption was due to the waste reported.

Under the circumstances I cannot recommend any reduction ~~in~~ the bill.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

CAMP AT WILLOW PARK FOR MILITARY PATROL.

Read report Acting City engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 22nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

At a meeting of the Board of Control held on the 9th of April the City Engineer was instructed to build a camp at Willow Park for the Commanding Officer of the Military patrol at a cost of not more than \$125.

I saw the Officer Commanding immediately and found out what was required, and obtained figures from various carpenters for the work, but the lowest price obtainable was double the amount authorized by your Board.

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As the length of time during which the patrol will be on duty is indefinite it would appear inadvisable to incur the expenditure for this temporary building. I would suggest, as the weather is likely to improve in a very short time, that tents could be used.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Deferred.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER-HALIFAX POWER CO.

Read letter Rod McColl, as follows:-

Cragg Building,
April 22nd, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of 20th in reference to Resolution of 11th April only received now. As you are aware on two occasions I was present with the information but no meeting took place as there was no quorum but I gave the information to those present

bonded
The total amount of indebtedness outstanding is \$144,600 which represents cash expended less 10 percent as bonds were issued at 90 net.

There is now Preferred Stock.
The amount of Common Stock is \$1,000,000
The indebtedness of the Company on December 31st was about \$43,371.00. This includes certain disputed accounts since then practically all of the indebtedness has been arranged except the disputed accounts and money has been provided for these if due.

Yours truly,
Rod McColl.

Filed.

CITY HOME TENDERS FOR PLUMBING.

Controller Hines verbally reports that there are not sufficient funds on hand to do all the plumbing work for which tenders were received at the last meeting of the Board, there being only about \$900. left in the

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appropriation. He recommends the acceptance of the tender of Hillis & Sons for such repairs to the piping as the appropriation will permit, their tender being the lowest. Approved.

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT-AUTOMOBILE.

Controller Hines recommends that the Automobile of the Chief of the Fire Department wrecked in the disaster of December 6th, be sold.

Controller Hines and the City engineer are requested to examine the car and estimate its present value before accepting any offer for its purchase.

Controller Hines' recommendation is approved.

CITADEL HILL POLICING.

Controller Hines asks for better Policing on Citadel Hill.

Referred to Controller Taylor and the Chief of Police for their attention.

POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION.

On recommendation of Controller Taylor the Police Department is authorized to call for tenders for uniforms and caps for the Police Department on an estimated cost of about \$1,775 not to exceed the limit of the current years estimate.

Controller Finlay dissents.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL.

DEPUTY MAYOR

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK

Council ✓

*Chief Fire Dept. ✓
Cont. Hines ✓
City Engineer ✓*

*Cont Taylor ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 25th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Garage # 108 Morris Street.
Fire Alarm System.
City Home Nurse Elizabeth Allen.
Water Supply- St, Pauls Parish Hall.
Cabmen and Motor Hacks-Unsatisfactory Service.
City Home-Tenders for Supplies.
Queen Street Right-of-Way- Mrs. Margaret Buckley.
Tenders for Works Department Supplies.
Police Department Appropriation.
Fire Department Appropriation.
Annual Civic Report.
Clean Up Week.
Chairman.
Loan \$20,000.00 to Pay Relief Bills.

GARAGE #108 MORRIS STREET.

Read complaint Mrs. E. M. Casey Oland of a building at #108 Morris Street being used as a garage.

Referred to the Building Inspector for attention.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read reports (2) City Electrician re Fire Alarm System, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
April 23rd, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor.
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The following P. A. Boxes have been tested this date and found in good working condition.

#1, 63, 75, 65, and 15.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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City Electrician's Office,
April 24th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
And Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

Fire Alarm Boxes Nos. 26, 27, 28, and
25 have been inspected and found in good work-
ing order.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

CITY HOME NURSE ELIZABETH ALLEN.

Read application Elizabeth Allan nurse
at the City Home for an increase in salary.

Referred to Controller Hines for report.

WATER SUPPLY-ST. PAUL'S PARISH HALL.

Read complaint Wardens of St. Pauls Parish
of insufficient water supply at St. Pauls
Parish Hall, Argyle Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge
receipt of the communication and to inform
the Wardens of St. Pauls that provisions has
already been made looking towards a remedy
for the conditions complained of.

CABMEN AND MOTOR HACKS-UNSATISFACTORY SERVICE.

The Deputy Mayor passed over to Controller
Taylor a number of complaints in writing as
to unsatisfactory service given by licensed
Cabmen and Motor Hack drivers.

Controller Taylor is authorized to use
every necessary means to remedy the conditions
complained of.

Cont-Hines ✓

*Engineer
C. F. Johnson ✓*

*Cont-Taylor ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

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CITY HOME TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

In response to advertisements in the newspapers tenders for supplies for the City Home are received and opened as follows:-

LEATHER - 3, 6 and 12 months -Arthur Fordham & Co.

MESS PORK -3 months, Davis & Fraser, Wentzells Ltd.

-6 Months and 12 months Davis & Fraser.

GROCERIES.- 3 Months Wentzells Limited.

BETTER - 3, 6, and 12 months Smith & Proctor

DRY GOODS. -6, months W. Y. Kennedy.

MEATS. - 3 Months and 6 months H. L. Williston

FLOUR. -3 months, Wentzells Ltd.

MILK. -3, 6 and 12 months Scotia Pure Milk Co. Ltd.

Referred to Controller Hines and the Secretary of the City Home for report.

QUEEN STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY-MRS. MARGARET BUCKLEY.

The Board decides to further consider the report of the Acting City Engineer tentatively approved at meeting of the Board on April 23rd see Minutes pages 1006-7.

W. P. Buckley addressed the Board on behalf of Mrs. Buckley's application.

The matter is referred to the Acting City Engineer for further report.

TENDERS FOR WORKS DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

The items in the report of the Acting City Engineer re tenders for City Works Department supplies submitted at Meeting April 23rd which were not then disposed of, see Minutes, pages 1008 to 1011 are taken up for consideration.

*Cont. Hines
Jas. W. Bryan*

Engineer

Council ✓

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BLOCKS Approved.

HARDWARE Approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION.

Council ✓
Controller Taylor informed the Board that in addition to the amount required for Uniforms and Caps for the Police Department which was voted on April 23rd, see Minutes page 1016 the Police Station and quarters were seriously in need of cleaning up and that there was sufficient funds in the appropriation to do the work, and recommends that this be done out of the current account provided the appropriation for the year is not exceeded. Approved, Controller Finlay dissenting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION

Council ✓
On recommendation of Controller Hines it is decided to recommend to Council that the Fire Department be authorized to purchase Gas Masks and Safety to Life appliances and other equipment out of current account to the limit of the appropriation.

ANNUAL CIVIC REPORT.

Read report Controller Murphy as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., April 24th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In the past the practice had been to issue our Annual Report anywhere from 12 to 18 months after the closing of the civic year covered therein. It must be apparent that such information is of little value at so late a date I therefore recommend that unless the Report for the year just closing can be completed and

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available within 3 months from April 30th, the Report be dispensed with and the amount involved utilized to some better purpose.

The explanation given for the delay in getting our Report in shape is the difficulty experienced in obtaining accounts outstanding in the various departments. I would recommend that notices be issued immediately to all firms having against the City to render them promptly within 30 days and that public notice to this effect be also issued impressing them with the necessity of having these accounts in so as to assist in the proper closing of the City's financial year.

I am submitting for your consideration copy of the Annual Report of the City of Calgary which is in marked contrast to that which we bring out. This Report, you will note, confines itself strictly to a financial statement of the years transactions; can be gone over and understood by every citizen and really conveys a clear and clean-cut statement of Receipts and Expenditures involved. It requires 22 pages in all. Compare this with our Annual Report of 200 pages or more, weighed down with a lot of dead wood information, repeated year after year and never read.

I respectfully submit that a change along the lines of a Report more of the nature of the one issued by the City of Calgary would be most desirable and trust that instructions will be issued to the heads of the various departments to govern themselves accordingly.

John Mruphy,
CONTROLLER.

Approved.

CLEANING UP WEEK

Alderman Kelly appears before the Board requesting that the City lend the usual assistance to the Civic Improvement League in connection with the so called, "Clean Up Week" and that the dates for this year be fixed for the week from May 6th to 11th.

Approved and the City Engineer instructed accordingly.

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CHAIRMAN.

His Worship Mayor Martin arrives and takes the chair.

LOAN \$20,000.00 TO PAY RELIEF BILLS.

Controller Murphy submits the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has incurred expenditures for the purpose of defraying losses or replacements occasioned to City property by the explosion of 6th December 1917 and it is necessary that amounts so incurred be paid.

AND WHEREAS by an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia passed during the present session of 1918 the City is authorized to borrow from time to time in such amounts as are required for that purpose a sum not exceeding \$500,000.00

THEREFORE RESOLVED That the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate with the Halifax Relief Commission for a loan not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the payment of accounts now outstanding the said loan to be secured by bonds of the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905.

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

The Board Adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

April 25th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this evening at 7. 45 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Murphy, Taylor and Finlay.

WATER DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES.

The Estimates for the Water Department are submitted, considered and approved and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council as follows:-

WATER ESTIMATES.

1918-19

SCHEDULE "A"

	Estimated Expenditure 1918-19	Expenditure 1917-18
Shop.....	5,000.00	4,954.23
Repairs and renewals on service....	10,000.00	11,855.09
Repairs and renewal hydrants.....	3,500.00	3,622.84
Repairs and cleaning mains.....	1,500.00	1,362.19
Inspecting and renewing valves.....	500.00	505.46
Repairs pipe houses.....	100.00	50.64
Hardware.....	2,000.00	2,135.74
Machine Work and castings.....	2,500.00	2,639.54
Stationery and blank books.etc.,...	1,000.00	1,073.42
Advertising.....	100.00	122.98
Light and power.....	100.00	101.96
Repairs etc., autos wagons and harnesses.....	500.00	649.14
Board of Horses.....	550.00	526.50
Telephones.....	226.00	220.54

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Meters and parts.....	6,000.00	6,106.07
Coal and truckage.....	1,000.00	924.34
Workmen's Compensation Board.....	700.00	552.97
Explosives.....	100.00	176.37
Salaries:-		
Asst. City Engineer.....	2,700.00	2,500.00
" Engineer DeWolfe (part)	1,160.00	1,060.00
Clerk of Works.....	1,550.00	1,400.00
Asst. Clerk of Works.....	1,150.00	1,050.00
City Collector.....	200.00	200.00
1st Clerk Collectors Office..	1,350.00	1,200.00
2nd. " " "	750.00	650.00
Stenographer " "	600.00	500.00
Supt. Water Department.....	1,500.00	1,400.00
Asst. Plumbing Inspector (1/2)..	650.00	550.00
Meter Foremen.....	1,036.00	936.00
Meter Readers (2 @ \$1032.00)	2,064.00)	
" " (2 @ \$ 980.00)	1,960.00)	3,624.00
Asst. Water Inspector.....	984.00	884.00
Entry Clerk.....	984.00	884.00
Interest.....	63,089.04	62,539.54
Sinking Fund.....	8,845.04	8,745.04
Short Collection.....	1,000.00	1,000.00
Discount...../.....	1,100.00	1,100.00
Contingencies.....	5,400.86	1,093.23
	<u>\$133,348.94</u>	<u>\$128,895.83</u>

SCHEDULE "B"

SPECIAL AND METER RATES.

	Estimated Revenue 1918-19	Revenue 1917-18
Meter Rentals	\$2,900.00	\$2,811.38
Shops, schools, churches and charitable institutions	15,000.00	14,736.61
Factories, laundries, industries, etc.,	16,500.00	15,660.73
Government Departments	23,000.00	21,726.38
Domestic meter rates	19,000.00	18,534.54

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Houses under bond	1,000.00	805.12
Water for Building purposes, steamers, etc.,	2,400.00	783.26
	<u>\$79,800.00</u>	<u>\$75,058.02</u>

SCHEDULE "C"

	Estimated Revenue 1918-19	Assessment Rates 1917-18
Fire Protection rates per Collector's Books.	\$35,178.17	\$29,465.93
Add \$1,750,000 @ 9¢ per \$100 new houses, etc.,	1,575.00	1,350.00
Domestic Rate	20,145.77	19,255.88
Add \$1,500,000 @ 11¢ per \$100 Total	<u>1,650.00</u>	<u>1,540.00</u>
	<u>\$58,548.94</u>	<u>\$51,611.81</u>
Less estimated surplus Chap. 45 Acts 1915	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
	<u>\$53,548.94</u>	<u>\$46,611.81</u>

SUMMARY.

Est. expenditure Schedule "A"		\$133,348.94
" revenue " "B"	\$79,800.00	
" " " "C"	<u>53,548.94</u>	<u>\$133,348.94</u>

Same rate as last year

Together with reports (2) Controller Murphy
as below:-

Halifax, N. S. April 24th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I submit herewith Water Estimates for
the year 1918-19

WAGE SCALE. It is provided in these Estimates that the increased scale of wage, as approved in the Works Department Estimates, namely 5¢ per hour be extended to those in the employ of the Water Department.

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TEAMS. Provision is made to pay to any single or double teams employed by this Department the revised scale of 45¢ and 65 ¢ per hour for single and double teams respectively, same as paid by Works Department.

ORGANIZATION. I feel that the Water Department is of sufficient importance to be conducted as a separate department, with its affairs under one head, and a properly organized staff, instead of as at present being distributed through the various offices and intermingled with the affairs of every other department of the City.

In order therefore to effect what I consider to be absolutely necessary reforms I am asking the approval of our Board and Council of a sum sufficient to put these changes into effect and trust their necessity will sufficiently impress the members of this Board and Council to lend them their support and approval.

I am submitted a separate report on the changes which I deem necessary.

John Murphy,

CONTROLLER.

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Halifax, N. S. April 24th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Contr l.

Gentlemen:-

I have perviously brought to the attention of the Board the conditions under which the Water Department is at present conducted and the changes which I feel would tned to improve it. I submit for your consideration the following recommendations:-

ENGINEER. I would recommend that the City Engineer secure the services of a qualified engineer, who would devote himself entirely to the Water Department, make it his special study, and endeavor to solve the difficulties with which we have struggled on both High and Low services, for many years.

ACCOUNTANT. It is desirable that a qualified accountant or bookkeeper be placed in charge of this branck of the Department so that a closer check could be kept on its affairs and propmt steps taken where discrepancies occur

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to see that they are followed up and corrected

OFFICE ACCOMODATION. The affairs of the Water Department are distributed throughout various offices, I would recommend that in addition to the offices now occupied by the Superintendent of the Water Department and his immediate staff, the adjoining offices occupied by the Exhibition Commission be placed at the disposal of this Department, and that other suitable accommodation be selected for the Secretary of the Exhibition Commission. This change would enable us to bring all the affairs of the Department together.

ORGANIZATION. In order to effect these necessary changes in the Water Department, you will find under the item "Sundries" that we have embodied a sufficient additional amount over and above that appropriated last year for this purpose.

AUDIT. Out of this amount I purpose, with the approval of this Board and Council, to have the Department's Books audited and brought up to date; if necessary a new set of books be opened, and any other changes desirable brought into effect.

The various changes suggested herein can be carried out with little if any additional expense to the City, as I feel satisfied that under proper re-organization this Department will be relieved of a number of charges which it is now called upon to bear.

Having given this matter careful consideration, I trust this report will have the same at your hands.

John Murphy,

CONTROLLER.

The Board adjourned.

P. J. [Signature]
MAYOR.

L. J. [Signature]
CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 29th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Foreman of Streets Salary.
Water Bill # 117 Cunard St. J. E. Faulkner, Agent.
Foreman of Streets-Automobile.
Dilapidated Building Grafton Street.
Assessment Plan.
Fire Alarm System.
Military Patrol of Devastated Area.
Tenders for Broken Stone.
Water Meters.
Controller Murphy.
Walnut Street Sewer.

FOREMAN OF STREETS SALARY.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 23rd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Mr. Downie, the Foreman of Streets has asked me to bring before the Board the matter of an increase in his salary. He is practically the only one in the Department whose salary has not been increased for the incoming year. I do not think it necessary for me to tell the members of the Board of Mr. Downie's qualifications as they know from their own observations, of the faithful and efficient service given the City by him. He would be a very hard man to replace, and I would recommend that a substantial increase be made in his salary.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

On motion of Controller Finlay it is decided to recommend to the Council that the salary of James Downie, Foreman of Streets for the civic year 1918-19 be placed at \$1500. Motion passed

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WATER BILL #117 CUNARD STREET-J. E. FAULKNER AGENT.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 27th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering letter from G. E. Faulkner, agent for the property #117 Cunard Street, complaining of excessive charges for water. The bill complained of, is one of \$56.67 for this property for 1916. The 1915 and 1917 bills are \$10.18 and \$10.02 respectively.

On reference to the records, I find that the reason for the large charge in 1916 is that during three months a closet was wasting and readings for these months have been very large. It would account for the difference in the bill for this year over the other two years. There is no doubt in my mind that the water passed through the meter, and as the leakage was not stopped for more than two months, I am unable to recommend any reduction in this bill.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Referred to Controller Finlay for report.

FOREMAN OF STREETS-AUTOMOBILE.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 29th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have made enquiries for a car for the Foreman of Streets and would recommend that a Chevrolet roadster be purchased for him. The price in Halifax is \$860, which included complete equipment.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

Cont. Murphy

Council

R. Finlay

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DILAPIDATED BUILDING GRAFTON STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows :-

City Engineer's Office,
April 27th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that I have examined the building complained of on the east side of Grafton Street, owned by A. Boutilier and find it is in a dangerous condition. The windows and doors are off, which allows free access to the interior, making the building a serious fire menace. I would recommend that the owner be notified to tear the building down.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report is approved and referred to the City Engineer to carry out the recommendations therein contained.

ASSESSMENT PLAN.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows: -

City Engineer's Office,
April 27th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have a request from Mr. Pickings, who has the Contract for completing the assessment Plan, which, under the said contract, should be completed on the 1st day of May 1918, for an extension of time on account of the extraordinary conditions existing in Halifax since Dec. 6th and loss of members of his staff, by sickness. He asks for an extension of three months.

Owing to the conditions obtaining since the contract was signed, I would recommend that Mr. Pickings's request be granted, as no serious loss to the City is involved by the suggested delay. With the proposed extension granted, the plans will be ready for this Fall's assessment.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Engineer

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Approved.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read report City Electrician as follows:-

City Electrician's Office
April 26th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
And Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

The following F. A. Boxes have been inspected and found in good working condition. #9, 91, 93, 94, and 67.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

MILITARY PATROL OF DEVASTATED AREA.

Read correspondence between the City and the Military Authorities, as follows:-

MILITIA AND DEFENCE,
April 26th, 1918.

City Clerk,
City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

It being understood that the work of clearing the Devastated Area is now completed, there ~~is~~ can be no further use for the Mounted Patrol.

It is therefore the intention to withdraw this Patrol on Monday next the 29th instant.

W. E. Thompson,
Colonel,
A. A. G., Mil. Dis. No. 6.

City Clerk's Office, City Hall,
April 26th, 1918.

Col. W. E. Thompson,
A. A. G., Military District No. 6,
Headquarters Office, Artillery Park.

Sir:-

In reply to your favor of the 25th inst., in which it is intimated that it is the intention to withdraw the Mounted Patrol now on guard over the

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Devastated Area. I am directed by The Acting Mayor to say that in his opinion and in that of the Police Department the necessity for the continuance of Military protection for this area is accentuated by reason of the discontinuance of the work of clearing away the debris, because of the fact that the contractors while there rendered good service from a police standpoint.

His Worship desired that you may be pleased to arrange for a continuance of the Mounted Patrol until at least May 3rd, in order to give the City sufficient opportunity to consider the situation.

Yours truly,
L. Fred Monaghan.
CITY CLERK.

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MILITIA AND DEFENCE,
April 26th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 26th instant it has been decided that the Mounted Patrol will be continued up to the 3rd. May prox. as requested, after which it will be withdrawn.

W. E. Thompson,
Colonel.
A. A. G., Mil. Dist. No. 6/

On mention of Controller Taylor the City Clerk is instructed to apply to the Military Authorities for a continuance of the Mounted Guard until at least June 1st.

The City Clerk forwards the following letter:

City Clerk's Office,
April 29th, 1918.

Col. W. E. Thompson,
A. A. G., Military District No. 6
Headquarters Office, Artillery Park.

Sir:-

Your letter of 26th inst., in which you accede to the request of the Mounted Acting Mayor to continue the services of the Mounted Patrol

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for the Devastated Area up to the 3rd of May was submitted to the Board of Control at a meeting held this morning.

The Board conferred with the Chief of Police and Acting City Engineer on the matter with the result that they unanimously decided to request that the Military Authorities may be pleased to further extend the period for the withdrawal of the Mounted Guard until at least the 1st of day of June.

There is much valuable property in the area not properly secured from interference by those evilly disposed. The Civil Police Force is below normal strength and we find it impossible to secure sufficient suitable men to efficiently carry on the service. Our younger and more active Policemen have been taken from us and drafted into Military service and we cannot replace them.

L. Fred Monaghan.
CITY CLERK.

TENDERS FOR BROKEN STONE.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 25th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

In December last tenders were called for the supply of stone, and were opened on Dec. 4th. Owing to the confusion resulting from the explosion the matter was not dealt with. On the 12th of this month I wrote the five persons tendering, asking if they would be willing to let the prices quoted in December, stand. I have had replies from three of them, saying they would.

The Nova Scotia Supply Co. tender to deliver the stone required by the City at 13¢ and 14¢ per bushel according to the size required. This price includes delivery at either the City Lot near the Incinerator or any other point within two miles radius of the Post Office, with an extra price of ½¢ per bushel beyond this distance.

Heber Hartlen tenders to supply stone to the City Crusher for breaking at 6¢ per bushel.

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Eager Coombs Co. Ltd., quote from \$2.25 to \$2.40 per cubic yard F.O.B cars Lake William Siding. There would have to be added to this a price of at least 60¢ per ton for delivering at the Cotton Factory Siding.

Las year the cost to the City for breaking stone was about 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢. If we accepted Heber Hartlen's tender of 6¢ this would mean that the stone would cost us at least 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ at the Crusher and it would have to be hauled from there to the work. Should there be enough spare labor at Rockhead, I have arranged with the Controller in charge of the Department, to utilize it in hauling the stone from the Rockhead Farm to our Crusher, which will give us the stone at a less rate than the tendered price, and will also clear up the Farm at Rockhead. When there is enough of this we could start the Crusher so as to have a reserve stock of broken stone on hand. In the meantime I would recommend that the tender for crushed stone be awarded to the Nova Scotia Supply Co. at the prices quoted in their tender.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

WATER METERS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 25th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

With reference to the request of the Board as to where the meters recommended to be purchased in my report of 22nd inst., are to be placed, I may say that the two 6-inch meters are proposed to be placed on the mains supplying the Dockyard so as to control the whole distribution system within the yard. The 4-inch meter is required to install while existing meters of this size are taken off in various places and repaired, two instances that I may mention are North Street Station and the Tramway. The three inch meters are required for Woods Wharf, Hendry's Wharf and the Commercial Wharf liquid air plant. The two inch meters are required for the Infectious Hospital, Pinehill College and for replacing existing meters. The 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch meters are required for the Green Lantern and Dr. McFatridge's and two will be kept in reserve.

We are in urgent need of the meters for the above purposes and we should also have meters

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of these sizes in stock. I must urge my former recommendation that these meters be purchased as soon as possible.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

CONTROLLER MURPHY.

Controller Murphy arrives and takes his seat at the Board.

WALNUT STREET SEWER.

Read petition J. R. Simmonds for the construction of a sewer on Walnut Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

*Engineer ✓
copy sent
to Engineer Oct 25/18*

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

April 30th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Spring Garden Road One Way Traffic.
Barn Morris Street.
Morris Street Paving.
City Home Tenders for Supplies.
City Home-Officials.
Fire Alarm System
King Edward Hotel Fire-Assistance of Sailors.
George Street-Snow and Ice on Sidewalk.
Felicitations

SPRING GARDEN ROAD-ONEWAY TRAFFIC.

Dr. A. I. Mader appeared before the Board protesting against the regulations for one way traffic on Spring Garden Road until better provision is made for handling the traffic on other streets. He suggested the opening up of Bishop Street westwardly from Barrington Street to Queen Street.

BARN-MORRIS STREET.

Dr. A. I. Mader complained of a public nuisance caused by two barns on Morris Street belonging to the Estates of James McGregor and Colonel Stewart.

Referred to the Building Inspector for report.

MORRIS STREET-PAVING.

Dr. A. I. Mader appeared before the Board suggesting that Morris Street from Barrington

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Street to South Park Street be paved with
Wooden Blocks.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY HOME TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Read report Controller Hines and the
Secretary of the City Home re Tenders for
Supplies at the City Home. Approved.

CITY HOME OFFICIALS.

Read report Controller Hines and the
Secretary of the City Home re appointment
of Officials for the Institution, as follows:-

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His Worship the Mayor and
Members of Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

We would recommend that J. J.
Lennington be appointed to the position of
attendant in Ward no 2 M. and that A. A.
Woodill be appointed to the position of
attendant Ward No. 4 M.

Controller J..J. Hines.

James O'Bryan,
East. Superintendent.

Approved.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read report City Electrician, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
April 29th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

The following F. A. Boxes have
been inspected, and found in good working
condition. Nos. 42, 43, 45, 63 and 58.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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Filed.

KING EDWARD HOTEL FIRE-ASSISTANCE OF SAILORS

Read letter Commander of H. M. S. S. Niobe,
as follows:-

H. M. C. Dockyard,
23rd April, 1918.

Mr. L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk, City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Sir:

I beg to thank you for your letter from the City Council dated the 19th April, 1918 expressing their appreciation of the Services rendered by the men of His Majesty's Canadian Ship under my Command at the recent fire at the King Edward Hotel, which has been duly communicated to the men as well as to the Ship's company. While regretting that such an occasion for it occurred I am glad that the assistance of the men from the "NIOBE" proved of use.

Yours truly,

H. S. Holmes.
Commander, R. C. N.

GEORGE STREET-SNOW AND ICE ON SIDEWALK.

Read opinion City Solicitor , as follows:-

Office of City Solicitor.
April 25th, 1918.

Secy. Board of Control.

Dear Sir:-

The City of Halifax is not liable for any accident on the street happening without any negligence on the part of the City. As no negligence is suggested I am of the opinion Mrs. Noddin has no claim.

F. H. Bell.
City Solicitor.

The City Clerk is instructed to inform Mrs. Noddin that in the opinion of the City Solicitor there is no liability on the part of the City for the accident which she sustained.

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FELICITATIONS.

The Deputy Mayor and the Members of the Board exchanged felicitations and mutual thanks for the relations existing between them at the meetings of the Board.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL,
DEPUTY MAYOR

L. Fred Warraghan
CITY CLERK.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL,

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A meeting of the Board of Control was held this evening at 8.10 o'clock ; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, and Controllers Finlay, Taylor and Murphy.

WATER AGREEMENT CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

Controller Murphy recommends for the approval of the Board a draft of agreement between the City and the Canadian Government Railways for supply of water, which was submitted at a meeting of the Board held March 7th, 1918.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Finlay that the draft agreement as submitted be approved and forwarded to the City Council for adoption . Motion passed.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. COLWELL.
DEPUTY MAYOR

L. F. Wainwright
CITY CLERK.

