

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

June 11th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Taylor, Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

City Medical Officer.
Special Constable John Mulroney.
Street Lighting.
Hydro-Electric Power-Halifax Power Company.
Cunard Street-Street Peddler.
Morris Street Boulevard-Morash Property.
Queen Street, City property- Mrs. Margaret Buckley.
Motor Car For Assistant Building Inspector.
Motor Trucks.
Shop Corner Windsor and Almon Streets-Capolwich.
Explosion Accounts.
Tuberculosis Hospital Site.

CITY MEDICAL OFFICER.

In response to request Dr. W. B. Almon City Medical Officer appears before the Board and discusses the question of his status in the City Service. Dr. Almon is requested to write the Board as to the amount of salary he would expect the City to pay him whilst temporarily performing the duties of City Medical Officer pending the appointment of a medical Health Officer holding the degree of D.P.H.

SPECIAL CONSTABLE JOHN MULRONEY.

The Board adjourned to the office of His Worship the Mayor to investigate a charge laid against Special Constable John Mulroney of arresting Dominion Special Constable E. J. Proctor for attempted assault on a man named LeClair.

*Dr. W. B. Almon
Council July 29/18*

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The charge submitted in writing by Major Napier and by Constable Proctor is read.

The evidence is taken in stenographic notes by Miss M.A. Hunter but ordered ~~to~~ not to be transcribed because of the bona fides on Mulroney's part being shown. The following named witnesses were sworn and gave evidence: E. J. Proctor, John Mulroney, Police Sergeant Palmer, Deputy Chief of Police Clarence Northover. Miss Mary Hunt.

At the conclusion of the investigation Major Napier stated that he would report to his department at Ottawa that Mulroney acted in good faith in the execution of his duty as a Constable in preventing what he took to be an unlawful assault.

The Board returned to the City Council Chamber to resume its session for general business.

STREET LIGHTING

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 10th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

On the 6th of April I wrote the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company asking them on what terms they would renew, the contract for street lighting, and have just received a reply, copy of which is attached. It will be noted that the Company offer to continue the present contract for a period of twelve months at a charge of \$80. per year for the arc lamps and \$30. per year for the 80 c. p. incandescent lamps, the existing rates being \$62.50 and \$21.00

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The Company also reserve the right to refuse to instal any additional lamps that may be ordered by the City. They also offer to supply additional temporary lighting of 80 c. p. incandescent series lamps at \$35 per lamp per annum if they are installed in locations on the present street lighting circuit.

In view of the character of the service given with the present lighting system, the price quoted for the arc lamps is a high one. Owing to the contract made with the Halifax Power Company in 1916, it is a question whether the City can enter into a long-term contract with any other company. It is a most unsatisfactory state of affairs, as the agreement with the Halifax Power Company was made two years ago and absolutely nothing has been done towards doing any work to supply the current required. Our present system of lighting is an antiquated one, but on account of the agreement mentioned, it would appear that we are unable to improve it. I would suggest that a formal opinion be obtained from the City Solicitor as to our position in connection with this matter, and also give the City some definite understanding as to when they will be prepared to carry out their contract. A mistake was made originally in connection with this contract in not requiring a bond for its performance.

Since writing the above I have received the lighting bills from the Company for the months of March, April, and May, and these bills are made up at the increased rates. I have not certified these, but would ask for instructions as to what course to pursue with regard to them.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Consideration of the report is deferred.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER - HALIFAX POWER COMPANY.

Read letter S. M. Brookfield, as follows:-

58 Granville Street,
Halifax, N.S. June 5th, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to yours of the 31st, I expect a party here in about ten days and will then communicate with you.

Samuel Brookfield.

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Solicitor ✓
The City Solicitor is requested to submit his opinion in writing in answer to the report made by Controller Murphy February 4th, 1918 as to how far the City is committed to the Halifax Power Company under existing agreement and legislature. See Minutes Board of Control page 761.

CUNARD STREET-STREET PEDDLER.

*Chief of Police ✓
E Blackburn ✓
Asst City Clerk ✓*
Read application Edward Blackburn, 28 Bauer Street for permission to operate a hucksterers cart in the gutter of Cunard Street in front of the North Common.

Permission is granted subject to cancellation on 24 hours notice.

MORRIS STREET BOULEVARD -MORASH PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
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His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I am attaching copy of letter from Messrs King & Baras, solicitors for Mrs. Morash, asking the City to take over the vacant land belonging to Mrs. Morash fronting on LeMarchant Street and which shows the location of the boulevard between Seymour and LeMarchant Streets and also Mrs. Morash's property. It will be seen from this that Mrs. Morash has a dwelling and a store and two out-houses on that portion of the property fronting on Seymour Street. The fact that the lines from Morris Street are laid down on the official plan does not at present affect this portion of her property. The lot facing LeMarchant Street, which has a frontage of 66 feet is of course rendered useless for building purposes.

Some three years ago Mrs. Morash signified her desire to building on this property but could not get a permit. In my judgment, this case is different from most cases that have

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come up since the adoption of the City plan, as in most cases it is a question of taking, only a portion of a lot, and the owner can utilize the rest of it for building purposes. In this case it renders the whole of the lot valueless for building purposes, and the only possible remedy that could be obtained by the owner, would be to let it for pastureage. This, in a neighbourhood built up with a very desirable class of houses, would be objectionable to the owners and tenants of the latter.

The Legislature by section 16 chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916 exempted this vacant land from taxation. The assessed value of the whole property is \$5300, divided as follows - land \$2900, house #40, \$1600, other buildings, \$800. The area of the Seymour St. lot taking it to extend to the western side of the barn on the property is about 7900 sq. ft. This, at the assessed value 16¢ per sq. ft. would amount to \$1267.20 Mrs. Morash asks \$13,000 for the whole property.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Engineer
The City Engineer is authorized to open negotiations with Mrs. Morash for the purchase of the LeMarchant Street lot and report.

QUEEN STREET, CITY PROPERTY MRS. MARGT. BUCKLEY.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 10th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control asking for an approximate value of the City lot on the west side of Queen Street opposite Green Street. I have consulted with the City Assessor and think that 20¢ a square foot would be a fair value.

As will be seen from an inspection of Plan #3900, attached hereto, the right of way for

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the sewer runs diagonally through the north end of this property. If the Board decides to sell a portion of the property to Mrs. Buckley, none of this right of way or the small jib left at the north-east corner of the property, should be sold.

In my judgemtn, a fair value for the balance of the lot would be about \$725.00

H.W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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

MOTOR CAR FOR ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 10th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Owing to the explosion there is an enormous amount of repair and reconstruction work going on in the City. It is impossible for Mr. Fegan, the Assistant Building Inspector, whose duty it is to keep track of and inspect all this work, to do so with the present means of transportation. If a car were provided for him, it would add very largely to the efficiency of the work, as with a car he would be able to visit all work in progress, practically once a day. It would tend largely to prevent violations of the Act. I would recommend that the City engineer be instructed to purchase a car for this purpose.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The Engineer is instructed to procure and submit prices.

MOTOR TRUCKS.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineers Office,
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His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

In accordance with your request, I have

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obtained prices on Motor Trucks with a view to getting quicker delivery than we can get with the flusher, and putting a water barrel on one. I have received the following quotations-

Motor Sales Co.	Federal	\$4358 F.O.B. Halifax-shipment from Detroit in ten days.
F.H. Hopkins & Co.	Tiffen	\$4250 F.O.B Tiffen-duty paid
Watson Jack & Co.		\$4900 F.O.B. Detroit-duty paid shipment one week.
Cook Construction Co.	Republic	\$5000 F.O.B Halifax immediate delivery
Can. Fairbanks Morse	Mack	\$5950 F.O.B Allentown duty paid.

The truck offered by the Cook Construction Co. is a new one that they have in Halifax which has never been used, and their reason for selling is that they have no use for it at present. It includes a body - the other prices are for chassis alone. The freight would bring the price of the Tiffen truck up to about the same as the Federal delivered in Halifax.

I will take a week or ten days to transfer a water barrel to a truck and make the different connections.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report is referred back to the City Engineer for further report.

SHOP CORNER WINDSOR AND ALMON STREETS -CAPLOWHICH.

W. H. Covert, Solicitor for one Caplowhich owner of property corner of Almon and Windsor Streets who desires to reconstruct there a building recently destroyed damaged by fire, appeared before the Board contending that his client is entitled to a permit to rebuild.

Referred to the City Solicitor for a report in writing.

EXPLOSION ACCOUNTS.

The City Clerk lays upon the table accounts

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amounting to about \$14,000.00 incurred by
the various departments for rehabilitation ^{after}
~~for~~ the explosion.

The accounts are referred to the City
Auditor to tabulate and report to the Board.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL SITE.

Read offer James Watson, as follows:-

181 Upper Water Street,
Halifax, N.S. 10 June 1918.

To His Worship the-
Mayor Hawkins, Esq.,

I hereby agree to sell by property
(91) Mumford Road for the sum of \$7,000 (Seven
Thousand Dollars).

James Watson.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by
Controller Hines that this Board recommend
to the City Council that the offer be accepted
subject to the site receiving the approval
of the City Health Board. Motion passed,
Controller Finlay dissenting.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controller Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Contractors Securities.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Shop Corner Windsor and Almon Streets-Caplowich.
Tramway Service.
Electtional Supplies Tenders.
F. C. Craig Account City Health Board.
City and County Joint Expenditures.
E. P. Allison's Wall on Oxford Street.
Coal Weighers.
Motor Hack Licenses.
Telephone Service.
City Prison-Naval Prisoners.
City Prison Underkeepers Uniforms.
Fuel Controller.
Municipal Borrowing.
Cab Fares.
Policeman Alexander Chisholm.
Dockyard Fire-Thanks to Fire Department.
Badges for Citizen Police.
School Plants Destroyed in Explosion.
Riot May 25th.

CONTRACTORS SECURITIES.

Robert Daw appeared before the Board stating that the advertisement calling for tenders for sewer trenching required tenderers to submit with their tenders a certified cheque for \$3000.00 and claimed that a bond instead of a cheque would be sufficient security for the City.

Engineer
Mr. Daw is instructed that the City must protect itself and that tenderers will be required to comply with the conditions set out.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read reports (3) City Electrician re Fire Alarm Boxes, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
June 6th, 1918.

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To His Worship the Mayor.
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The following F. A Boxes have been
inspected and found in good working condition.
No. 94, 67, 61, 6, 58, 65, 63.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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To His Worship the Mayor,
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The following Street Fire Alarm
Boxes have been inspected, and found in good
working order.

No. 3, 43, 5, 53, 51, 56, 58, 63,
65, and 57.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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June 12th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

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

No 93. 95, 9. 76, 61, 75, and 7.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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SHOP CORNER WINDSOR AND ALMON STREETS
CAPLOWHICH.

Read opinion City Solicitor, as follows:-

Office of City Solicitor,
June 12th, 1918.

Secretary Board of Control.

Sir:-

In response to the request of the Board
of Control as to whether a permit can legally
be refused for restoring the building recently
damaged by fire at the south-east corner of
Windsor and Almon Streets, I beg to say as follows-

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~~I have~~ Prima Facie any citizen has the right to construct a building of any character that he sees fit in the City and to repair the same when damaged. Certain restrictions have been put on these rights by the City's Building Act, but unless the building or the repairs proposed to be affected, come within those restrictions, the City cannot legally arbitrarily ~~without~~ hold a permit, and I have no doubt that if it attempted to do so, either could be compelled to issue the permit by mandamus or possibly the applicant might proceed without a permit and successfully resist any attempt to impose penalties or to enforce other proceedings.

I have examined the Building Act together with the Building Inspector, who is necessarily more familiar with it than I am, and I am unable to see any respect in which the City's building code prohibits the erection of a building of the character proposed or repairs now proposed to be affected, and consequently a permit could not lawfully be refused either for the building or for the repairs.

As to the suggestion that the permit could be refused because of the use proposed to be made of the building, I beg to say that the only restrictions imposed by law on the proposed use of the building are those contained in the Act establishing a residential district within which no other than, speaking generally, those of a residential character can be constructed. As the location of the building in question is outside the building district, these restrictions do not apply. As to other suggestions as to the use of the building, I am of the opinion that a permit cannot lawfully arbitrarily be refused because it is anticipated that some use might be made of the building which might conflict with the Police regulations of the City. This will have to be dealt with by the Police when they arise, but I do not see any ground on which any such anticipation can justify the refusal to grant a permit for the construction of the building.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

The City Engineer is requested to report in writing on the present condition of Mr. Caplowich's building and notify the owner to discontinue repairs to the structure without a permit.

Engineer

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TRAMWAY SERVICE.

Read letter and report Board of Public
Utilities re Tramway Service, as follows:-

Board of Commissioners of Public
Utilities.
Halifax, June 11th, 1918.

Mr. L.F. Monaghan,
City Clerk.
City.

Dear Sir:-

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

L.B. Taylor,
Secretary.

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NOVA SCOTIA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
PUBLIC UTILITIES.

COMPLAINT :-

CITY OF HALIFAX

VS.

NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS & POWER CO. LTD.

This matter comes before the Board by way of complaint made by the Board of Control of the City of Halifax to which the Board of Trade is also a party against the Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd.

As the procedure laid down by the Public Utilities Act under which the Board is clothed with jurisdiction to hear and determine complaints against public utilities, had not been complied with in the filing of this complaint, it was deemed ~~to~~ advisable to proceed informally by conference to which course the Respondent company offered no objection.

At the conference, the tramway service being furnished by the Respondent company was alleged to be inadequate and unsatisfactory in the following particulars:-

1. Irregularity of service.
2. Failure to stop at street intersections to take passengers.

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3. Failure to operate the so called Gottingen St. Extension.
4. Failure to operate the line from North St. to Richmond.
5. Failure to operate the Armdale Line.

On behalf of the Respondent company it was admitted, as to the first ground of complaint, that the service was not as satisfactory as the company would wish it to be ~~as~~ as the public, might reasonably desire but that this was owing to the following conditions which the company could not control, viz:-

1. The severe weather.
2. The failure of the City authorities to remove the snow shovelled off sidewalks.
3. The failure of the City authorities to open catchpits and clear gutters or cause the same to be cleared.
4. The difficulty on the part of the Company of obtaining the necessary labor to promptly remove the snow thrown up by the company's sweepers.
5. Traffic conditions.

As to the first reason, it may at once be conceded that the weather conditions the past winter threw a considerable heavier burden on the company than usual and have at times made satisfactory service impossible. Unfortunately for the company looking at the matter from the standpoint of earnings, and for the public from the standpoint of those desiring transportation, it is just at such times that the greatest need for the car exists.

From the facts brought out at the conference and subsequent investigation, and always bearing in mind the labor available, it would seem that the company bent all its energies to meet the weather conditions and to keep ~~the~~ its tracks open.

The second, third and fourth reasons may be dealt with together.

The City authorities this past winter removed no snow from the streets on which the car tracks are placed, taking the position that were it not for the tram service the removal of such snow as is shovelled from the sidewalks would not be necessary. Whether snow banks should be permitted to remain on the business streets of a city the size of Halifax tramway or no tramway, in view of the very considerable additional cost thereby thrown on merchants, truckmen, teamsters and others engaged in transportation, as well as the in-

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convenience experienced by pedestrians at times of rains and thaws, is a matter of police which must be determined by the civic authorities and with which this Board has nothing to do. For some years the City and the Company jointly removed the snow under an alleged agreement which was not produced.

The Company further complains that the City failed to open the catchpits and gutters thus turning all the surface water in times of thaws and rains into the car tracks thereby making it not only extremely difficult but well nigh impossible to prevent water making its way into the electrical equipment of the car, and disabling it. How serious a matter this is from the car operators standpoint may be realized when on one day alone ten cars had to be withdrawn from service-at for this cause.

As to this it is answered on behalf of the city that even if the gutters and catchpits were opened the water would still follow the car tracks owing to the portion of the street between the track and the gutter being higher than the track. This is of course, correct as to the water actually following the tracks but on the other hand if the gutters and catchpits were opened the water from the sidewalks and intersecting streets would not find its way to the car tracks at all.

Without further following the contentions of the City on the one hand and the company on the other it may be stated that if a satisfactory tram service is to be furnished the snow must be removed and the gutters and catchpits kept open. The removal of the snow alone thrown up by the company's ploughs is not enough at least on the narrower streets. Under the City Charter and ordinances the abutting property owner is required to keep the gutter in front of his premises clear and it is made the duty of the corporation as represented by its police force to compel compliance with the law. On narrow streets, however, this means in many cases that the abutter must throw the snow out on the tramway rails and when the company's plough comes along such snow is thrown back to the annoyance of the abutter. The complete removal of such snow from the street is the only remedy. A divided responsibility can be neither effective nor economical. If both the company and the city are to be responsible for the removal of the snow then it would seem advisable that the proportion of the cost to be borne by each should be determined, the actual work being done by one and the other paying to such one its proportion

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of the cost. If either the city alone or the company alone is to be charged with the duty of removing all the snow, the matter should be determined in order that the present unsatisfactory conditions may be done away with.

The difficulty experienced ~~this~~ by the company of obtaining labour all through last autumn and this winter and more especially since the explosion on December 6th last has also undoubtedly added to the difficulties of operation.

As to the fifth reason for unsatisfactory service given by the company it must be conceded on the evidence submitted that the traffic conditions in Halifax very seriously militate against a tramway service being operated on schedule time. The large number of delays caused by vehicles obstructing the car lines, some of them for lengthy periods and for considerable distances have become a serious matter. This difficulty may be divided into two heads :-

1st. The slowly moving heavily laded auto trucks and other vehicles travelling on the tramway disregarding signals from the following tram car.

2nd. The practise of leaving automobiles and other vehicles in front of the hotels on Hollis Street and in front of retail shops so close to the car rail as to make it impossible for the tram car to pass.

While these conditions obtain more largely in the winter time than at other seasons of the year, owing to the tram tracks being free from snow and affording better going for wheel traffic it is even serious from the point of view of the street railway operator at other seasons. Reports have been made to this Board which show how serious delays caused by lack of proper traffic regulations have been, running in some cases from fifteen to thirty minutes at a min time.

On the belt line running as it was shortly after the disaster on an eight minute ~~one~~ schedule and now being operated on a seven minute schedule and on the mainline running in early December, on a six minute schedule and now on a four minute schedule, it may readily be understood how cars become "Bunched" together resulting in persons being compelled to wait for long periods at street corner for cars. When the obstruction to the car is ultimately removed the leading car must do one of two things- stop at every corner to pick up the large numbers of waiting passengers thus holding the cars behind it, back and leading to further bunching of cars or run "Express" for some distance, only stopping to let passengers down. If the former course is followed overcrowding

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is the result and the cars remain "bunched" owing to the slow progress of the leading car while if the latter expedient is adopted persons who have already waited a considerable time complain of the cars not stopping to pick them up.

Other courses open to the Inspector in charge of car operation are to either send the last car or more than one back some distance with a view to having them take their proper distance behind the leading car, to hold them at the point of obstruction, each for such a length of time as will make the proper spacing. If the former course is followed it becomes necessary to transfer the passengers to the cars ahead. Then again when such cars on their backward trips pick up passengers they are compelled on reaching the point where they are to turn and take up their proper position once more to turn their passengers out. The only alternative is to run such cars back "express" to such turning points and then of course the waiting person will naturally complain that a quite empty car did not heed his signal.

If on the other hand the cars are held at the point of obstruction and sent off on the proper spacing the cars following are also necessarily held all of which means decreased carrying accommodation as obviously fewer trips are completed.

After hearing the Managing Director of the company and the Operating Executive, some of the oldest and most reliable motemen and conductors in the employ of the company were heard on a subsequent day noon of the officials of the company being present. All these men, without exception blamed the traffic conditions which they stated had never been so bad as during the past year. On being asked to frankly state what the company could be required to do more than it was now doing to improve the service in the respects complained of herein, they replied if they could be given tracks free from obstructions, they would be able to furnish what should be a reasonably satisfactory service in the particulars mentioned with the present equipment.

As to the second ground of complaint, "Failure to stop at street intersections to take up passengers" it appeared that in cases where this happened with the knowledge of the inspector, the cars were running "express" to some particular point in order to get on regular schedule to avoid the "bunching" of cars as explained above.

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It should be remembered that in order to obtain car revenue the company must carry passengers and hence it is not in the interest of the company to run empty cars "express" past street corners when persons are waiting for cars, (if such action could be avoided). It must further be borne in mind that persons one half mile further along the line in the direction in which the "express" car is proceeding have also been subjected to delay owing to the car being obstructed and if such first car is required to stop at all street intersections, picking up the may intending passengers, by the time it reaches those waiting at the half mile beyond the point of obstruction and to allow the closely following second and third cars to pick up intervening passengers. To illustrate -- suppose there is a block on the north bond main line track at Salter St. entailing a delay of twenty minutes. In this time three or four cars will be "bunched". As soon as the block is removed the first car should be run "Express" to Cornwallis St. taking up only passengers from Cornwallis St. north. The second car should run "express" to Buckingham St. taking up passengers from Salter St. on. By this means the persons waiting from Cornwallis Street north and from Buckingham St. north obtain their car service more quickly while those between Salter St. & Buckingham St. are not subjected to much additional delay. On the other hand, if when the block is removed at Slater St. the first car stops at all street intersections from Salter St. north as it will surely have to do after a twenty minute delay, it holds the second and third cars back and keeps all three in a "bunch". It might be supposed that intending passengers seeing the first car filled and observing other cars closely following would wait for the following car but experience demonstrates that no matter how crowded the first car may be and no matter how many cars are closely following, persons will always stop and endeavor to board the first.

By following the first course suggested crowding is lessened, speedier service is furnished to the greatest number and the continued "bunching" of the cars is avoided. Of course intending passengers, not knowing the object, are annoyed at seeing cars pass them, but it apparently affords the best means of serving the people as a whole.

As to the third ground of complaint, it appeared that owing to the blizzard that followed the explosion, and the impossibility of obtaining labor, the Gottingen St. extension line became blocked but was opened up as speed-

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ily as possible and to the satisfaction of His Worship the Mayor.

In regard to the complaint as to the non-operation of the portion of the main line from North Street to Richmond, I appeared at that all the pole lines and overhead construction in this section were destroyed by the explosion and operation became impossible.

As to the alleged failure to operate the Armdale line, it was stated on behalf of the company that apart from the stoppage of service on all lines following the explosion the Armdale line has been continuously in operation and no evidence was produced to show that such was not the case.

The Board has therefore reached the following conclusions:-

1. In order that the unsatisfactory service of the past winter may not be repeated the city and the company should at once enter into an agreement arrangement, afterwards to be confirmed by the legislature, if thought necessary dealing with the matter of snow removal from the streets on which the tram tracks are situated.
2. That the city authorities should see to it that all catchpits and gutters on such streets and intersecting streets draining towards the tram tracks are kept open.
3. That such traffic ordinances should be passed as will require any vehicle obstructing the progress of a car to at once pull out of the way on the sounding of the gong on the car and which will forbid the standing of any vehicle on any street so as to obstruct the passage of a street car. On preparing such ordinance it would be well to consider the advisability of requiring the driver of the vehicle, once the complainant has proved that the vehicle was on the Tramway, to establish that such vehicle was not obstructing the car.
4. During the investigation of this complaint it was alleged that motor trucks in the employ of the Department of Militia and Defence were being operated without numbers and that it was thus impossible to identify such trucks. There does not appear to be any good

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reason why such trucks should not confirm to the general law of the Province and carry the usual registry numbers and if necessary, representation should be made to the Department of Militia and Defence with a view to having this done.

5. While in general approving of every effort being made to separate cars when "lunched" the company will be required, in the case of cars carrying passengers for outgoing trains, to run such cars through to North Street unless such passengers can be expeditiously transferred to a car ahead.

6. While the Board is quite satisfied that the great majority of the motormen and particularly the older men, except when running "express" under orders from an inspector, have not run by intending passengers at stopping points, yet it would appear that some of the newer men employed did so. In order, therefore, that intending passengers may know when a car is being run "express" the Board has decided to require the company to install a sign to denote such fact. It will be the duty of a car not carrying such sign to stop at all regular stopping points when signalled.

7. As to whether the staff of inspectors employed by the company is large enough to make it possible for one of them to reach the point of accident or obstruction promptly, is so clearly a matter of management that the Board should not interfere with it. It is therefore suggested that the Company should itself carefully consider this question and upon reaching a conclusion report the same to the Board with its reasons therefor.

Halifax, June 11, 1918.

Sgd. John N. Ross.
R.T. MacIlreith.

Read report Controller Murphy re Tram-

way Service, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. June 13th, 1918

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

A report has just been handed down by

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the Board of Public Utilities, regarding complaints filed against the tram service. This report confined itself strictly to conditions encountered during the severe winter months.

It must be apparent to the Board of Public Utilities, as to the citizens in general, that the tram service has now reached a level where something more than a suggestion of co-operation between the Company and the City is absolutely necessary.

It is not unfair to say that this service is being operated today with an utter disregard for public convenience, that their rolling stock is in a most dilapidated condition and a menace to public safety.

I feel it is our duty to petition the Board of Public Utilities to hold a full investigation into this service, with a view of locating the causes of its present condition and, if possible suggesting to the Company such remedies as would help to relieve same.

Should the Board find, on investigation, that the Company's inability to improve this service is due to the wage offered not being such as to attract the class of help required it would apply the necessary remedy by recommending a revision of same. The Board could also consider the advisability of permitting the Company to utilize some portion of its cash on hand, which I understand is in the neighborhood of \$900,000.00, for the purpose of obtaining some new rolling stock, whereby to improve the service.

I feel sure you will agree that there is a general feeling of dissatisfaction on the part of the public with regard to the service which is being rendered, and would therefore recommend that this Board petition the Board of Public Utilities to take this matter under consideration at the earliest possible date.

John Murphy,
CONTROLLER.

Controller Murphy's report is approved.

The City Engineer is requested to prepare and submit a report on the condition of the Tram Company's Rails, wires, road bed and cars, the number of cars in service and the time table of the various circuits with his recommendations for improvement.

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ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES TENDERS.

Electrician ✓
Tenders are received and opened for
Electrical Supplies from Farquhar Bros, and
the Canadian General Electric Company.

Referred to the City Electrician for report.

F. C. CRAIG ACCOUNT -CITY HEALTH BOARD.

Read opinion City Solicitor as follows:-

Office of City Solicitor,
June 11th, 1918.

The Secretary,
Board of Control.

Dear Sir:-

I have nothing to add to my former
opinion, to the effect that Mr. Craig's can-
not legally be a salaried official of the
Board of Health, and that consequently no
compensation can legally be paid to him as
such official.

As to the proposed resolution I am
clear that it is not within the power of the
Council by any resolution to relieve the
Mayor from any liability imposed upon him
by statute.

F. H. Bell,
CITY SOLICITOR.

*Council ✓
City Health Board ✓*
Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by
Controller Taylor that this Board recommend to
Council that the Provincial Secretary be re-
quested to give an assurance that legislation
will be secured at the next session legalizing
the payment of Mr. Craig's account and that
if such assurance is obtained the account be
paid. Motion passed. Controller Finlay
dissenting.

CITY AND COUNTY JOINT EXPENDITURE.

Read letter County Secretary, as follows:-

June 13th, 1918.

Municipality of Halifax,
June 10th, 1918.

W.W. Foster, Esq.,
City Auditor,
City Hall,
City.

Dear Sir:-

The joint estimates sent you for the year 1918 amounted to \$20,764.74 while the amount assessed by the City was \$20,480.70.

At our interview with the Board of Control in January last, we were informed that the City's porportion of an item of \$350.00 viz \$284.04 would be provided for by a borrowing bill.

I understand that no such provision has been made. Would you kindly let me know if the above amount will be paid over to the Municipality this year, if not how do you purpose dealing with it.

Parker Archibald.
Municipal Clerk & Treasurer.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the County ~~Secretary~~ ^{Treasurer} that nothing can be done in connection with the account until next session of the legislature.

E. P. ALLISON'S WALL OXFORD STREET.

The City Clerk informed the Board that he had received a letter on June 12th, from E. P. Allison relating to his wall, Oxford Street and that he had passed the same to the City Engineer for report.

COAL WEIGHERS.

Read report Coal Weighers showing each amn to have received \$49.81 for the month of May. Filed.

MOTOR HACK LICENSES.

Read applications L. M. Joudrey and R. P. Smith for Motor Hack Licenses. The licenses are granted.

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TELEPHONE SERVICE.

Read letter and report Board of Public
Utilities re Telephone service, as follows:-

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities,
June 11th, 1918.

Mr. L.F. Monaghan,
City Clerk,
City.

Dear Sir:-

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

L. B. Taylor,
Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

CITY OF HALIFAX

VS

MARITIME TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CO. LTD.

SERVICE.

This matter comes before the Board in the
nature of an informal complaint made by the
Board of Control of Halifax to which the Board
of Trade is also a party.

The complaint is in a general form, no
particulars being furnished and reads as follows:-

"Controller Hines asked the Board to
"forward a complaint to the Telephone
"Company of the very inadequate and
"unsatisfactory telephone service ren-
"dered by them from the time of the
"disaster and up to the present time".

The latter of the Board of Trade, Mr.
H. G. Bauld, M. P. P. carried the complaint
back to last Summer and alleged that the service
was unsatisfactory in the following particulars:-

1. The length of time elapsing between giv-
ing the number to "central" and obtaining
the number called.
2. The number of line busy reports.
3. The length of time lines are permitted to
be used for "long family" or personal
conversations".

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4. The delay in obtaining connection with party lines.
5. The delay in getting information.

Mr. Controller Finlay who appeared for the City complained as to the impossibility of getting a doctor when the fire bells are ringing.

The Board has for some time had before it the whole question of telephone rates and service in the Province of Nova Scotia and hopes at an early date to provide such schedules and to promulgate such regulations as will lead to considerable improvement in the service. In view of this fact the Board proposed to deal only in a general way with this complaint. The pioneers in the telephone field in Halifax and their successors until the last few years developed not only four party but even six and eight party lines with a view to furnishing a cheap class of service at a low rate hoping thereby to induce people to take telephone service and to educate them as to its value and necessity. These men had the idea that persons would not continue to use such service and- but would quickly appreciate the advantage of individual lines and the improved service thereby afforded. Apparently the people have contented themselves with this inferior service and have put up with the great inconvenience of finding the line busy when they have wanted to use it. Unsatisfactory as this is for persons being served by party line service it becomes a very serious matter indeed where on account of calls coming in from individual lines to party lines the operator has to continually report "line busy". This results in very materially slowing down the service as a whole and is one of the most fruitful sources of complaint.

An engineer in planning for his switch-board equipment provided for a certain number of operators' positions at the board. In doing so he designs his equipment to furnish service on the basis of modern telephone demand i, e, the number of calls per day which the exchange should be reasonably asked to handle. An operator can only take care of 200 calls per ~~day~~ hour and it takes almost as much of her time to answer a "line busy" call as a call where the connection is completed. As often happens where a subscriber on a party line is being called, four five or more calls are ~~not~~ met with the response, "line busy" before the call is finally completed. One does not need to be an expert to realize how materially this slows down the service. Then this further fact must not be

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lost sight of that during the time the line of the person calling is engaged trying to get in on the party line other persons are trying to get him and are met with the "line busy" response.

Another class who are to a considerable extent responsible for slowing down the service owing to "line busy" calls are those who have not a sufficient number of lines installed for the traffic seeking to reach them. Such lines being almost constantly in use persons desiring to be connected with them have to call several times before they find them disengaged, thus imposing an added burden on the operators, and delaying the whole service. The Board hopes to finally deal with these matters in the regulations above referred to.

Dealing more particularly with the complaint herein the matter of telephone service in Halifax may be divided into two periods:-

1. The period up to December 6th last and
2. The period from December 6th forward.

As to the first period the company over two years ago realized that largely increased accommodation would be required this year. This was on account of the serious increase in traffic due in part to the above mentioned causes and also the abnormal increase in the number of telephones installed. The engineering department of the company at once completed plans for the new Sackville exchange and the company expected to have occupied the building in August of last year. Owing to the impossibility of obtaining delivery of the necessary equipment it became impossible for the company to occupy the new exchange until December last. In the meantime a most unprecedented increase in traffic occurred. An investigation of the company's records has disclosed the following conditions:-

During the period from January to November 1917 the average number of calls handled per hour was about 2700. The peak load during the same period ran about 3760 calls requiring nineteen operators positions. The positions available in the old St. Paul Exchange numbered 20.

From November 1917 on the traffic shows a very serious increase. From a count made on December 29th last the average number of calls per handled hour that day was 4572. The peak load ran up to 6050 and increase of 2290 calls over the preceeding January-- November period and requiring 30 operators' positions, and increase of 11 positions over the same period.

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On January 5th, the average number of calls per hour was about 4430. The peak load ran to 6250 calls properly calling for 31 operator's positions. The traffic as shown by the counts for December 29th and January 5th was altogether out of reason and was clearly due to the abnormal conditions due to the explosion. Gradually the calling rate began to fall off and a count made on January 17th last the average number of calls per hour fell to 3900 and the peak load dropped to 5125 calls requiring 25 operators' positions. The normal traffic load during the summer of 1917 averaged about 35000 calls per day. During the months of October and November this load gradually increased to 42350 calls per day. After the explosion the traffic jumped to slightly over 65000 calls per day, almost double the normal traffic of the summer of 1917. In designing the switchboard for the Sackville exchange the engineers basing their calculations on the normal increase in traffic provided for 25 local operators' positions. During the late fall as the traffic increased it was decided to add 5 additional positions to the switchboard, which additional positions are now available. Undoubtedly as the traffic gets back to normal and if the regulations which the Board hopes to adopt have the effect of doing away with large numbers of calls caused by "line busy" reports, the original design of the engineers of 25 operators positions will be quite sufficient to take care of the traffic and the added equipment would provide for the normal growth for some years to come.

Now as to the service last Autumn, the time covered by the first period, the traffic which had been steadily increasing took a decided jump in October the peak hour load averaging as high as 4234 calls for that month. With the traffic at times so closely reaching the designed limit of the St. Paul Exchange together with the disadvantage of the large party line development previously referred to the service was not as prompt as it should have been.

As to the second period it must be recognized that the Respondent Company suffered very materially as a result of the explosion. Further it had about completed the new Sackville Exchange on December 8th. A large part of this work was undone as a result of the -9 disaster and the Lorne exchange was badly wrecked. Again, while the traffic took the abnormal jump previously referred to, the operating staff was reduced by 22 owing to injuries or absence due to very sad family bereavements.

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The Board's investigation elicited facts establishing the greatest devotion to duty on behalf of the staff of the company. The complete forgetting of self by the operators in their splendid desire to serve and their close application to the switchboard until the limits of human endurance had been reached was of such a character as to justify the Board in adopting the perhaps unusual course of expressing itself its full appreciation of the very important service rendered by them to the people of Halifax during the period of greatest stress.

With the damage caused by the explosion being made good, and with the traffic gradually coming back to normal Halifax conditions, the service is speeding up somewhat. On some classes of lines owing to the impossibility of obtaining a certain trivial parts of equipment the service is still not satisfactory but the Board finds that the company is doing everything possible to have such deliveries made.

Overhead cable troubles due to the explosion continue to develop from day to day as moisture finds its way through the insulation and notwithstanding that the company brought linemen in from outside districts to assist in making good the damage to overhead lines, there will likely be considerable trouble for some time to come.

As to the particular phases of the complaint brought out at the hearing:-

1. The length of time elapsing between giving the number to "central" and obtaining the number called. Tests made for the months of February and to March 23rd have shown the following results:-

Period.	No. of tests.	Aver. time of ans. by central in seconds.	Percentage of calls answered under 10 secs.
Month of February	11.95	6.55	80.84 percent.
Week ending March 2nd	250	6.83	79.71 " "
" " " 9th	295	6.39	83.39 " "
" " " 16th	326	5.95	84.97 " "
" " " 23rd	317	5.07	90.54 " "

These tests were carried out on various lines in Halifax and without the knowledge of the central operator and accurately show average conditions in the exchange. Tests as to completed calls would be useless from the service point of view as they would only go to show the dilatoriness of the average office or residence in answering the telephone calls which delay neither the Board nor the Respondent Co. can overcome.

Of the lines called in these tests the following are the percentages of calls finding the lines busy:-

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For the month of February	14.3%
For week ending March 2nd.	13.71%
" " " " 9th.	16.27%
" " " " 16th	16.26%
" " " " 23rd/	16.70%

In the case of some subscribers the tests show from 10 to 20 calls per hour found their lines busy at times of peak load. This clearly shows that such subscribers require additional trunks to take care of their incoming calls.

The 1195 tests made in February disclosed the following conditions:-

Line busy--14.3%----- 171 calls.

Line called not answering 1st ring & 2nd ring made averaging 52 seconds from time central first called 9.14 percent-----109 "

Line called not answering 1st ring & 2nd ring and 3rd ring made averaging 89 seconds from time central first called 2.6 per cent....-----31 "

At end of 130 seconds only .5% reported
 "dont answer"-----6
 Total-----317 calls

The average number of calls per day (9.A.M. to 6 P.M) for the month of February were 35000. Applying the percentages found by the tests to all calls the following result is obtained:-

"Busy calls" per day 14.3%-----	5000 calls.
2nd ring necessary 1st not being responded to 9.14%-----	3200 "
3rd ring necessary 1st, and 2nd not responded to 2.6%-----	210 "
Dont answer reports . 5%-----	166 "
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Average calls switched per operator per hour 200. Operator hours required to switch 8576 non-effective calls 42.88 equal to approximately 5 operators per day.

In operators wages this represents an annual outlay of \$2500.00.

The annual cost of amount of increased switchboard accomodation required to provide such 5 operators' positions is approximately

	\$3500.00
A total of-----	\$6000.00

which is about equivalent to \$1.50 per telephone per year which the subscriber have to pay in rates.

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In other words if "line busy" calls could be reduced to proper proportions and subscribers could be educated to promptly respond to the summons of the telephone bell the 35000 calls per day in February could be reduced to at highest 30000.

While the statistics above given are taken from the old St. Paul and the new Sackville Exchange they fairly well reflect the conditions existing ~~the~~ in the Lorne Exchange except that in the Lorne Exchange the larger development in party line service tends to still further cripple prompt service.

The Board had a further line busy test made on March 28th in the Sackville Exchange between the hours of 9 and 11 A.M. which showed the following results-- only the telephone number is given and the name and address of the subscriber being omitted.

Telephone Number	Times found busy
6	13
18	17
24	12
41	11
102	23
123	14
191	12
236	10
400	28
1167	11
1270	18
1432	11
1519	14
1800	11
1890	13
2250	52
2478	60
2402	10
501	16
529	16
714	12
723	22
725	20
943	11
2500	10
2810	29
4714	18

A similar test made in the Lorne Exchange April 8th resulted as follows:-

211	50
164	25
311	25
305	20
308	20
215	13
53	13

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194	11
180	10
395	11
1490	15

Another branch of inquiry that had to be followed up in connection with the time required to reach the party called was the company's equipment and its operating staff. As to the former, in the Sackville Exchange it may be said, as would of course be expected in the case of a plant just installed, that it is of the modern type and approved design and except for some small parts still required for party line service is quite complete. The Lorne exchange is at present time undergoing repair and on the completion of such work should be quite adequate to meet the service demands of that exchange.

Now as to the operating staff- before an operator takes her place at the switchboard she is required to take a three-weeks course in the training school of the company. At the end of that time the average new operator is able to switch from 75 to 100 calls per hour and she does not reach the stage of proficiency which enables her to take care of 200 calls per hour until an average period of three months has elapsed.

At the time of the explosion the respondent company was employing 162 operators. Of these 22 were lost to the company, two were killed, a number of were injured and others left the city. At the same time there were seventeen attending the "school" and all who were fitted at all had to be pressed into service.

This, of course, also had the effect of slowing down the service and naturally many mistakes in giving numbers were made due to inexperience. As the experienced operators returned to duty and the others became familiar with the work, the speed of the service improved until it is now almost back to normal.

In an investigation such as this it is also necessary to inquire into the manner in which the operators performing their work in order to reach a conclusion as to how far they may be responsible for unsatisfactory service.

The faults of an operator are classified under two heads, major errors, and minor errors. Major errors are made up of three operating faults---Wrong numbers, cut Offs, and Double Connections. Minor errors comprise the following faults--Lack of voluntary supervision on a connection; faulty ringing; slow disconnection after finish of a conversation; slow answer to flashing supervisory signal; slow answer to the calling signal, etc.,

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While, of course, the minor errors are not of the same importance as the major class, they are followed up with a view to showing how every part of the service is being watched.

From the point of view of the subscriber the major errors afford the most prolific ground of complaint. In connection with them it must be borne in mind that in numbers of cases wrong numbers are the result of indistinct enunciation on the part of the person calling and the failure on his part to listen to the operator when she repeats what she understands to be the number asked for and to correct her when it is wrong. In all cases the operator repeats the number and the person calling should listen for the repeat and either confirm or correct it.

In the tests made which were of course without the knowledge of the operating staff the following results were obtained:-

	January	February	March.
Major errors	2.96%	3.15%	2.69%
Minor errors	12.1%	13.48%	

The result of such tests are always brought to the attention of the operators and subsequently advancement is based on efficiency obtained.

As to the third ground of complaint--"The length of time lines are permitted to be used for long conversations"-- Under a flat rate schedule the subscriber is entitled to use his line as often and for as long periods as he may desire. If a time limit were fixed he would merely give the "disconnect" signal and at once call the same number again. Then too the cost of keeping the record for each call would add materially to the operating expense and would have to be met by an increase in rates. This would not be just to the reasonable user of the telephone. Measured service would provide a remedy were it not that in an exchange of the size of Halifax its general adoption on all lines would be too costly. Of course if the full measured service were practicable the frequent user of the telephone and those who tie up lines by unnecessarily long conversations would pay for the very extensive use they make of their lines. The Board is glad to know that the commercial community of Halifax as represented by the Board of Trade recognizes that an abuse exists in the abnormal use of the telephone lines which calls for remedy and will endeavor to meet the same, to some extent in the new regulations and schedules shortly to be promulgated.

The fourth cause of complaint is the party line and the delay in getting service on it. As has already been stated this is the cheapest class of service. It is designed to meet the

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requirements of those persons who are willing to put up with the delay incident to having the telephone line with which several other persons are connected. All of the subscribers on it have the right to use it as often as they find it not in use and of course it is as a result fairly constantly engaged. Nowhere in the telephone world has a remedy been found for the party line telephone subscriber who monopolizes more than his fair share of the line. The low rate for party line service is fixed in view of all its disadvantages and a higher grade of service is provided by the individual line at the, of course, higher rate for the better service afforded.

The delay in getting "information" is the fifth and last cause of this complaint, and the Board's investigation has demonstrated that during the months of February and March last this part of the company's service was not satisfactory.

Ordinarily the hour of peak load in telephone business is fairly regular from day to day but in the case of "Information" the heavy load requiring the largest of operators comes at certain hours one day and totally different hours the next. This necessitates keeping the full staff on whether the work is light or heavy, at, of course, increased cost in wages.

The study of this department from January 1st to May 25th gives the following results:-

Month.	Total day calls	Average peak hour	Calls peak hour.	No. of operators.
January	1821	10-11 a.m.	199	2
February	2499	3-4 p.m.	336	2
March	2139	11-12 a.m.	323	2
April	1849	2-3 a.m.	262	2
May to 25th	2293	3-4	278	3

The number of operators given is the number on at one time. The total number employed on "Information" was four during the first four months and six during May.

One operator should take care of about 75 "information" calls per hour. From the above table it will be seen that during the peak hour the operators were seriously overloaded. On the other hand the table discloses that during off peaks hours the operators were not called upon to deal with even a full load:-

Month.	No. of operators hours provided by company per day.	No. of operators required to take care of calls per day.
January	28	24 1/3
February	28	33 1/3
March	28	28 1/2
April	28	24 2/3
May	42	30 1/2

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During the January, February, and March the trouble calls also went into one of the "Information" operators. This practice has now been discontinued, such calls going to an operator in charge of a "trouble" department.

It may become necessary to add an additional operator to the Information staff but the Board is inclined to give the three operator staff a fair trial before requiring the company to do more, for the following reasons:- The inquiry developed the fact that a largely increased burden was thrown on the "Information" Department owing to changes in telephone numbers due to the explosion and also to the number of new telephones installed the numbers of which, pending the issue of the new directory, could only be learned by calling "Information". When the June directory is issued the work of Information should speedily get back to normal.

As to the point raised by Mr. Controller Finlay it seems impossible to find a means of preventing subscribers calling central to learn "where the fire is"? when the fire alarm rings. The Board might order the Company to refuse to answer such requests for information but this would only shift the calls to the City Hall or the fire stations. When the "still alarm" system comes into operation the trouble will largely be done away with.

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

Sgd. John M. Ross,
R. T. McIlreith.

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CITY PRISON - NAVAL PRISONERS.

Read report Governor Grant, City Prison re the maintenance of Naval Prisoners, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.
June 12th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit a report in re Naval Prisoners by request of the Board of Control, as follows:-

Individual cost of maintenance per day forty-five cents.

Number confined during last civic year being ten, three for ninety days, one for fourteen days, two for thirty days and four, sixty days.

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charge per capita per day, fifty cents. Total amount received, two hundred and fifty-six dollars and fifty cents.

I would also report for your information, seven of the above prisoners were sentenced on remission, for good conduct, five days per month.

George Grant.
Gov. City Prison.

Governor Grant is requested to submit a general report made up on the same basis with respect to the maintenance of ordinary prisoners for civic year 1917-18.

CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPERS' UNIFORMS.

Read report Governor Grant, City Prison, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. June 12th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report on Summer uniforms for the Prison Staff. , the usual course is to have the firm supplying the ~~tetal~~ Police Uniforms to supply the Prison also.

George Grant.
Gov. City Prison.

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FUEL CONTROLLER.

Read letter Deputy Fuel Controller, Ottawa, suggesting the appointment of a local Fuel Commissioner.
troller- , covering printed information. Filed/

MUNICIPAL BORROWING.

Read letter Assistant Minister of Finance re Municipal Borrowing, as follows:-

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Treasury Department of the City
of Toronto.
Toronto, June 4th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and Council,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sirs:-

I respectfully direct your special attention to the following announcement, which has just been made by the Minister of Finance, and ask that your Municipality shall govern itself accordingly:

" The attention of the Minister of Finance has been directed ~~that~~ to the fact that in some cases Municipalities are proceeding with new works other than those to which they were committed prior to or shortly after the out-break of the war. The Minister announces that it is necessary in order that our financial resources may be conserved for the Dominion's war financing, that no fresh municipal undertakings should be gone on with until the consent of the Finance Department has been obtained under the existing Order in Council relating to the issue of securities. All new commitments will be most closely scrutinized and permission withheld unless it is clearly established that the works in question are indispensable necessary in the public interest and cannot be postponed."

In the National interest it is most desirable that the Minister shall have your hearty co-operation in this matter.

T. Bradshaw,
Assistant to the Minister.

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CAB FARES.

Controller Taylor submits a letter from George M. Robinson suggesting changes in the Hack Ordinance, as follows:-

Robinsons, Limited,
June 8th, 1918.

Chairman Hack Commission.
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

I have made enquiries from some of

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the hackmen relative to the change in fares.

The opinion is that the auto has so cut into the hack business that they do not feel like advancing prices in case they lose what business they have.

But would offer this suggestion, that the fares should be no charge less than 50¢ within City limits, but in cases where one passenger was to be taken from say Pine Hall to North St. Station the fare should be double, T

Two horse carriage per hour \$2.00

One " " " " 1.50

Between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. double fare.

otherwise the fares would be regulated as on card now in use to be kept in position in carriage.

G. M. Robinson.

On motion of Controller Taylor the suggestions are approved and the letter ordered to be forwarded to the City Solicitor to draft the necessary ordinance.

POLICEMAN ALEXANDER SHISHOLM.

Controller Taylor informed the Board that Alexander Shisholm who had been appointed a Policeman on May 25th, resigned June 10th.

The resignation is accepted.

DOCKYARD FIRE- THANKS TO FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read letter Admiral Storey, as follows:-

H.M.C. Dockyard, Halifax, N. S.
June 7th, 1918.

Dear Mr. Mayor.

I am very much obliged for the prompt assistance rendered this morning by the City Fire Brigade in coping with the fire which occurred in the Dockyard, and I hope you will convey to Mr. Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Brigade my very best thanks, for their efforts and help, in extinguishing the conflagration and preventing it from spreading further.

Admiral Storey.
Admiral Superintendent.

The Secretary is instructed to suitably acknowledge receipt of the communication and to

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forward a copy of Admirale Storey's letter
for the Chief of the Fire Department.

BADGES FOR CITIZEN POLICE.

Read tender W. B. Williams to make badges
for the special Citizen Police for \$1.75 or
\$1.00 each.

It is decided to ~~expect~~ accept the tender
for badges at \$1.00 each. One hundred to be
ordered.

SCHOOL PLANTS DESTROYED IN EXPLOSION.

Read letter School Board as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners,
June 10th, 1918.

A. C. Hawkins, Esq., M. D.,
Chairman, Gardens Commission,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Chairman of the
School Board to request you to bring the matter
of replacing the plants which were destroyed
by the explosion in the various schools of
the City, before your Commission, and sincerely
trust same will have your early and favorable
consideration.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Referrd to His Worship the Mayor and the
Superintendent of the Public Gardens to comply
with as far as possible.

RIOT MAY 25th.

Read correspondence between the Dominion
Commission of Police and the Chief of Police
Hanrahan, re Riot May 25th, as follows:-

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE.
Ottawa, May 27th, 1918.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Justice,
Ottawa, Ont.

Sir:

In the newspaper reports published to-

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day regarding the riots which took place in the City Of Halifax on the night of the 25th instant ther appears the statement that a sailor and a number of soldiers who were arrested by the Civil Authorities for breaches of the peace were set at liberty and handed over to the mob. Such action in the opinion of this Department, is correct, will, inevitably, lead to the encouragement of mob law and the breaking down of authority, with the result that the enforcement of law and order will increasingly devolve upon the Military Authorities.

If the report published in the newspapers is correct, a sufficient force of troops had been placed at the disposal of the City Authorities ~~should~~ to restore and preserve order, and it is felt that the Civil Authorities should not have handed over these prisoners until their cases had been disposed of according to law. It is further pointed out that the Mayor has made a statement that he considered the release of these men to have been wise procedure.

My Minister would be much obliged if you would take the necessary steps to investigate whether these statements are correct, and if found so, to instruct those concerned that their actions are not approved of and that the Civil Authorities must take firm and decisive measures to punish wrong-doers and maintain law and order.

Surgeon-General
Deputy Minister.

* * *
Chief Commissioner of Police,
Ottawa, June 4th/18

The Chief Constable,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing a copy of letter received from the Deputy Minister of Militia, which speaks for itself. May I ask for a statement of what actually occurred, so that I may enlighten the Deputy Minister of Justice for the information of the Deputy Minister of Militia.

A. S. Sherwood,
Chief Commissioner of Police.

* :- :-

Office of Chief of Police,
June 12th, 1918.

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

On June 4th, I received a letter from the Chief Commissioner of Police, Canada, asking for a statement from me in respect to the disturbance in Halifax on the evening of the 25th May last, and in compliance with this

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request, I have made a report, a correct copy of which is enclosed for your perusal and, I trust, your approbation.

Frank Hanrahan,
Chief of Police.

* * *
Halifax, N. S. June 12th, 1918

The Chief Commissioner of Police.
Ottawa,
Canada.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 4th instant, enclosing copy of letter of the 27th ult. from the Deputy Minister of Militia to the Deputy Minister of Justice in re the above subject. I note from a careful perusal of that letter that the Deputy Minister of Militia is under a misapprehension as to the facts, which is the usual result when information is obtained from the newspapers instead of from sources capable of furnishing the facts at first hand. The facts connected with this incident are, shortly, these: On the evening of the 25th May, a sailor by the name of Smith, a member of the crew of H.M.C.S. "Niobe", entered the premises of a shop known as the "5 & 10 cent store" Barrington Street, this City, and picked up an article and declined to pay for same. He was drunk and used obscene language. This occurred on Saturday evening, when the store in question was crowded. The proprietor telephoned to the station for a Police Officer. Officer McDonald left the station for the store in question, and on the way over, was joined by Police Officer Eisenhaur. The officers entered the store and were satisfied in merely removing the sailor from the premises, as there has been since the war, the disposition on the part of the police to deal leniently with the Members of the Military and Naval forces, who may be committing minor offences as the result of too much drink. In this case, however, the sailor, after being removed from the premises continued along Barrington Street, the most prominent thoroughfare in this City and used the filthiest language. These officers then took him into custody. On removing him to the station, some soldiers interfered with the police and attempted to rescue this prisoner. Later, a crowd of people gathered around the City Hall, including many soldiers and sailors some of the former being returned men and made a threatening demonstration. They demanded the release of the sailor and the soldiers, who were also taken into custody for interfering with the police. Upon this being refused, they

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broke the glass in the City Hall, discharged a revolver shots through the window in my private office, upset a private automobile on Argyle Street, obtained gasoline therefrom and attempted to set fire to the City Hall building at its Argyle Street entrance; also destroyed one thousand feet of hose the property of the Halifax Department, which was summoned in answer to an alarm; also injured a couple of firemen and policemen. Finally, they broke into the patrol waggon, taking it down to the Market Wharf and threw it overboard. At this time (about 9 P.M.) I personally telephoned to Military Headquarters asking for assistance I could not get in touch with any superior officer. I was referred to the Assistant Provost Marshall, I called his office and could not get in touch with him. I then was referred to the Citadel. I called up the Citadel and it was suggested that I had better communicate with Colonel Thompson. In the meantime my deputy was endeavoring to get the Naval Department on the phone by calling H.M.C.S. "Niobe". I then left the station to go outside to observe conditions on the street. About ten o'clock a small detachment of infantry arrived. They were of little service, as in some instances, the rioters took the bayonets out of the rifles of the soldiers. About eleven o'clock a Naval picket arrived and rendered good service. The master at Arms of the "Niobe" came in and asked me to hand over the naval prisoner to him, and later a military officer, asked me to hand the soldier-prisoners over to his custody, which officers undertook to have their prisoners in Court on the following Monday morning, May 27th. I handed these prisoners over to these officers, and not to the mob. In doing this I had followed out the practice which had prevailed since the beginning of the war, namely to hand all military and naval men over to their superior officers in cases where they were charged with what would ordinarily be trifling offences. I would also like to call to your attention that these officers are by provision of the Criminal Code of Canada, defined and given the status of "public officers". I therefore, considered that these persons were in the custody for the time being of peace officers or, at any rate individuals who are under legal obligation to preserve the King's Peace. On the subsequent Monday the naval prisoner Smith came into Court, and pleaded guilty and his case was disposed of. The military prisoners were proceeded against, committed for trial on the charge of taking part in an unlawful assembly and malicious damage to property and are now awaiting the action of a superior Court.

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I wish also to point out that by Statute, our police force of all ranks numbers fifty-four which includes forty-three privates, six sergeants, two detectives, a City Marshall, a Deputy Chief and a Chief of Police. I have been for some time eight men short of my complement of privates. On the night in question, I have only available, for patrol duty for the City of Halifax fourteen patrolmen. My both detectives were out of the town on official business. In the station, on this occasion, I had only for the purpose of resisting this attack and dealing with this assembly of thousands of people eight officers, including myself and the deputy. For the first hour of the attack, I had only five, including the Deputy and myself. I must be remembered that since the war, the conditions in this City have been abnormal. We have a considerable transient population, made up of soldiers going to the front, returning from the front and also have of necessity the presence in this City of British, American, and French sailors. The numerical strength of the Police department has not kept pace with the development of these conditions and since the enforcement of "Military Service Act" a number of young men have been forced obliged to leave this department and join the force.

Exercising my best judgment, I deemed it extremely imprudent to have used fire arms on the occasion, considering the handful of men I had at my disposal and fully mindful of the fact that firing by the police would probably have provoked retaliation of the part of the crowd, resulting in bloodshed and killing, possibly of a number of innocent citizens., who were merely curious on-lookers. I think I have given you a candid and accurate statement of the facts of surrounding this incident and I shall be only too happy to furnish you with any further information desired.

Frank Hanrahan,
CHIEF OF POLICE?
Halifax, N. S.

The Board adjourned. report of the
Chief of Police is approved.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

June 18th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Fire Alarm Boxes.
Motor Trucks-Street Sprinkler.
Electrical Supplies Tenders.
Shop Corner Windsor and Almon Streets.
Riot May 25th, .
Motor Hack Licenses.
Road Machinery.
Oakland Road - Encroachment by House.
City Prison charges for Maintenance of Military Prisoners.
Policeman.
Salary W. J. DeWolfe Assistant Engineer.
Childrens Protection Act Accounts.
#180 Gottingen Street - James Godwin Street Line.
Police Motor Patrol Vehicle.
Fire Alarm Boxes -Maintenance Charges.
Sewer 181 South Park Street.-Mrs. G.M.Hervey.
Explosion December 6th, 1917 Accounts.
Shop on Common -Mrs. Chas.J. Wimperis.
Special Constable John Mulroney,Accounts for Accident.
Falkland Street Fence.
Creighton Street Concrete Sidewalk.
Islesville Street Extension.
Schedule of Accounts.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician, as follows;-

City Electrician's Office,
June 17th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have been inspected and found in good working condition:
Nos. 69, 29, 27, 28, 31 and 39

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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ELECTRICIAL SUPPLIES TENDERS.

Read report City Electrician, as follows:-

June 18th, 1918.

City Electrician's Office,
June 17th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor.
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

With reference to the tenders for Electrical Supplies referred to me for report, I find that none of these tenders comply with the specifications.

Only one tender, that of Farquhar Bros., was submitted on the form sent out and no signature was attached. Also the specification was not returned as required.

That of the Canadian General Electric Co. was not made out on the form sent, is not complete, and the specification was not returned.

The Northern Electric Co. also did not tender on the proper form, did not return the Specification and was received late.

Of the tenders submitted that of the Canadian General Electric Co. is the lowest for Electrical Supplies, the only material covered by their bid, and that of the Northern Electric Co. the lowest for Fire Alarm Apparatus.

P. R. Colpitt.
City Electrician.

MOTOR TRUCKS - STREET SPRINKLER.

Read report Acting City Engineer re purchase of Motor Truck for use as a street sprinkler, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 18th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,

In accordance with the instructions of the Board of Control I have made enquiries as to the $3\frac{1}{2}$ ton Republic motor truck offered by the Cook Construction Company, and have seen the invoice for same, which is \$5005.50 on the 25th of February 1918. The truck has not been used and has a body which can be dumped from the engine. Some of this made of truck were used during the winter and Spring by the Reconstruction Department and gave good satisfaction, and as far as I can learn the truck is a good one.

H.W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report is approved and it is decided to recommend to Council that the offer of the Cook Construction Co. be accepted.

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SHOP CORNER WINDSOR AND ALMON STREETS

Read report Acting City Engineer re Shop
Corner of Windsor and Almon Streets, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 18th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that my understanding at the last meeting of the Board was that after the City Solicitor's opinion on the matter of the shop at the south-east corner of Windsor and Almon Streets had been read, the owner should be notified that no additions should be made to the premises.

A reference to the Minute will show that "the City Engineer is requested to report in writing on the present condition of Mr. Caplowich's building and notify the owner to discontinue repairs to the structure without a permit."

In accordance with this, I examined the building this morning, and find that the shop front has been replaced and the shop has been lined with beaver board, the ceiling has been sheathed and the shop part of the building roofed in. On the addition, floor joists have been laid and sheathing started on the back wall. The annex to the south has not been touched since the fire.

As far as can be seen, no structural work has been done since Mr. Caplowich was refused a permit ten days ago.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The Engineer is authorized to issue a permit to replace the structure for which the original permit was granted, subject to the conditions specified in the original permit as to the removal of the buildings and subject to the Town Planning Regulations insofar as they are applicable

W.H. Covert Solicitor for Mr. Caplowich appears before the Board and is informed of the action taken.

Engineer

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RIOT MAY 25th.

Read report Chief of Police covering letter from Sir A. P. Sherwood Chief Commissioner of Dominion Police, as follows:-

Office of Chief of Police,
June 17th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor & Members
of the Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed you will please find letter from the Chief Commissioner of Police, Canada, acknowledging my report to him of an earlier date in connection with the recent Halifax Riot.

Frank Hanrahan,
Chief of Police.

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Chief Commissioner of Police Canada,
June 14th, 1918.

Frank Hanrahan, Esq.,
Chief Constable,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Council ✓
I beg to acknowledge yours of the 12th instant, covering report regarding the action of the Police in the recent Halifax riot, and in connection therewith venture to express the opinion that your Department acted with very capable judgment or the consequences might have been more serious.

A.S. Sherwood,
Chief Commissioner of Police.

Referred to City Council for its information.

CAR FOR BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax N.S. June 13/18

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:

As instructed I have asked for prices for a Ford and Chevrolet runabout for the building Inspector. The price of the former is \$650. and of the latter \$930.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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It is decided to recommend to Council the purchase of a Chevrolet Car at \$9 30.00 .

MOTOR HACK LICENSES.

Read applications H. L. Ferguson for one Motor Hack License and W. L. Kane for two Motor Hack licenses. Granted.

ROAD MACHINERY.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending the purchase of road machinery, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N. S.,
June 14th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

We only have one sweeper on hand and this has been in use for several years. Another is urgently needed in the Department and I would recommend that an Austin 2-horse sweeper be purchased. This sweeper is made by a firm, The Austin Manufacturing Co., which makes a specialty of road machinery and their machines are in universal use. The cost delivered in Halifax, is \$445 duty and war tax paid. This can be shipped in one week.

Another machine that we should have is a road scarifier. This machine, hauled behind a steam roller, weighs approximately four tons and has four teeth which can be so set that the road-bed can be torn up to the depth desired and to a width of 26 inches. We have a large number of streets on which there are several inches of macadam but the surface is badly worn, and uneven. By running the scarifier over these roads and levelling the material torn up, the same can be rolled to a smooth and even surface at a large saving of new stone. The cost of the Austin Scarifier f.o.b. Halifax is \$900, with immediate delivery and the same would be, with the conditions obtaining on a large number of our streets, a good investment for the City. I would recommend that a scarifier be purchased.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

June 18th, 1918.

OAKLAND ROAD - ENCROACHMENT BY HOUSE.

Read report City Health Board as follows:-

Office of City Health Board,
June 17th, 1918.

Mayor Hawkins & Members
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report on your request as to the fitness of the building, on what is known as Oakland Road, owned by Rod McDonald, for human habitation.

The building is habitable in summer time but would not be suitable to live in during the cold weather.

J. Watters,
Secretary C.H.B.

The City Health Board is requested for a further report as to sanitary conveniences in connection with the premises.

CITY PRISON CHARGES FOR MAINTENANCE OF
MILITARY PRISONERS.

The Secretary reported that on the 17th inst., he had forwarded to the Governor of the City Prison for report, a letter dated June 15th, from the Military Authorities objecting to a charge of \$44.50 for maintenance of a soldier in the City Prison.

POLICEMEN.

The Chief of Police is authorized to advertise in the newspapers for the applications for the position of ten policemen.

SALARY W. J. DE WOLFE ASSISTANT ENGINEER.

.Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

June 18th, 1918.

City Engineer's Office,
June 13th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering letter from W.F. DeWolfe, assistant in the City Engineer's Office.

A portion of Mr. DeWolfe's salary is paid from Water Maintenance and a portion from Sewerage. His total salary last year was \$1550. He applied for an increase this year when the water estimates were being discussed, and an addition of \$100. was made to that portion of his salary paid out of the water appropriation. I think it was understood at the time and stated in the Council that a further increase from the Sewerage Account would be taken up later.

Mr. DeWolfe has been employed by this office since July 1914 and originally received a salary at the rate of five dollars a day. When Mr. Lynch left, Mr. DeWolfe took his position at a lower rate than he was receiving, or \$1350 a year. He is a faithful official and conscientious in the discharge of his duties, and I think that \$1750 a year under existing circumstances is a small enough salary for him.

H. W. Johnson,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

CHILDRENS PROTECTION ACT ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Auditor as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
June 15th, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
CITY CLERK.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to yours relating to accounts of St. Patrick's Home, Maritime Home for Girls, Industrial School, Supt. of Neglected Children, I beg to report:-

Maritime Home for Girls-to Apr. 30..	\$330.81
St. Patrick's Home	" " .. 605.79
Industrial School	" " .. 376.54
Neglected Children	" " .. 953.99
	<u>\$2,267.13</u>

I believe these bills were intended to be paid from \$3,750.00 in this year's Estimates, but if so the necessary Legislation was not

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Auditor.

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obtained.

There is a further bill from St. Patrick's Home, \$392.24, which was settled as follows:-

Sept. 9th., 1916.....	\$48.00
Feb. 12th., 1917.....	43.38
do do	8.86
do do	8.29
do do	83.93
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	\$192.46

and balance was finally settled June 9th, leaving a clean sheet from that date.

W. W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

Auditor Council
The ~~Secretary~~ *City Auditor* is instructed to inform the various institutions concerned that no funds are at present available for the payment of their accounts but that legislation will be sought at the next session of the House of Assembly to authorize their payment.

#180 GOTTINGEN STREET-JAMES GODWIN STREET LINE.

Solicitor
The City Solicitor is instructed to immediately prepare the City's side of a "Stated Case" to be presented to the courts in connection with the dispute as to James Godwin's street line at #180 Gottingen Street.

POLICE MOTOR PATROL VEHICLE.

Council
Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Hines that the tender of W. L. Kane and Company \$2275.00 for an Overland Motor Patrol vehicle for the Police Department be accepted.

Mr. Kane being present and questioned, states that with the car he will furnish over-size tires, non skid, two spot lights, a spare rim, a jack, engine pump and tools.

Controller Taylor's motion is put and passed.

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FIRE ALARM SIGNAL BOXES MAINTENANCE CHARGES.

Read report City Electrician re Maintenance of Fire Alarm boxes as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
June 17th, 1918.

Controller J. Hines,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I have had an application from the Military Authorities for the cost of installation and maintenance of two Fire Alarm boxes on the North Comm'n.

As these boxes would be of no service to the City, I would suggest that they be installed at their expense and the maintenance charge, which would be small, be borne by the City.

With reference to auxiliary Fire Alarm equipment not owned by the City, I have been instructed by the Board of Control to regularly inspect this equipment and keep it in repair, charging the owners up with any expense incurred. Regarding three of these installations, I am not sure that the Board understands the circumstances. I refer to installation at the Dockyard, Tram Co, and the C. G. R. Terminals, which are looked after by their own employees. It would seem unnecessary that I should undertake any responsibility with respect to these excepting to inspect the main boxes as I have in the past, especially in view of the scarcity of help at the present time. Would you kindly bring the matter up and advise me as to the Board's further instructions.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

It is decided to again instruct the City Electrician that he is held responsible for the efficient maintenance of all fire alarm equipment and auxiliary appliances, and that if any expenses are incurred in connection with the maintenance of equipment not owned by the City he is to ~~also~~ collect such charges from the owner.

SEWER 181 SOUTH PARK STREET -MRS.G.M. HERVEY.

Chief Fire
Dept -
Electrician
Council ✓

June 18th, 1918.

Read report City Solicitor (see Board
of Control Minutes, May 21st, p. 104 and June
6th, p. 176) re sewerage overflow 181 South
Park Street Mrs. G. M. Hervey, as follows:-

Office of City Solicitor,
June 14th, 1918.

Secretary Board of Control.

Dear Sir:-

The facts as stated by the report of
the City Engineer disclose only the ordinary
case of damage caused by a sewerage obstruction.

In the absence of any negligence,
such as a faulty construction or failure to act
on evidence of a previous obstruction at the
same spot, the City is not liable for damage
occasioned in this way.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

The City Clerk is instructed to write Mrs.
Hervey informing her that upon investigation
it has been decided that there is no liability
on the part of the City.

WATER BILL 263 AGRICOLA STREET MRS. M. A. HILLMAN

The City Clerk reports having on June 14th
handed to the City Engineer for report a water
bill of Mrs. M. A. Hillman, 263 Agricola Street
claimed to be excessive.

EXPLOSION DECEMBER 6th, 1917, ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Auditor, as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
June 14th, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

As requested, please find attached
statement of accounts payable by the Relief
Commission, totalling \$12,589.61, in departments:

Emergency Relief.....	\$1,528.52
Fire Department.....	677.01
City Home.....	414.43

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Police Department.... 67.36
City Property.....447.28
Rockhead Prison.....3,928.93
Relief..... 156.77
Board of Health.....5,368.31

Total \$ 12,589.61

W W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

The report and schedules accompanied there-
with are referred to Controller Murphy and the
City Auditor for further report.

SHOP ON COMMON -MRS. CHAS. J. WIMPERIS.

Read letter Relief Commission, as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
June 13th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor & Board of Control,
City Hall,
Halifax.

Dear Sirs:-

With reference to yours of June 12th
enclosing extract from Minutes of Meeting of
June 6th, re application of Mrs. Charles J.
Wimperas, for permission to open a Grocery sStore
in No. 6 Block 1, of the Relief Commission
Buildings on the South Common, the Commission
cannot permit the opening of stores in any of
their temporary housing quarters.

R. P. Bell,
SECRETARY.

A copy of the letter is ordered to be
forwarded to Mrs. Wimperas.

SPECIAL CONSTABLE JOHN MULRONEY ACCOUNTS
FOR ACCIDENT.

Read accounts for hospital charges, Med-
ical attendance etc., \$69.00 Special Police
Constable John Mulroney, April 2nd to April
18th, 1918 at Moncton, N. B. Hospital due to
injuries whilst on duty. The accounts are passed
for payment.

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FALKLAND STREET FENCE.

Engineer ✓
Controller Hines reported the lack of a fence in front of a property on Falkland Street between Gottingen Street and Maitland Street. Referred to the City Engineer for action.

CREIGHTON STREET CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

Engineer ✓
Controller Hines reported that a cutting in the concrete sidewalk on Creighton Street between Cogswell and Falkland Streets has not been repaired. Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

ISLESVILLE STREET EXTENSION.

Read letter Relief Commission and report and plan of City Engineer re Islesville Street extension as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 14th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached letter from the Chairman of the Halifax Relief Commission suggesting the extension of Islesville Street from Young to Russell Street. Islesville Street is at present laid down on the Official City plan between Bloomfield and Russell and between West Young and Duffus, this latter section being locally known as North Creighton Street. To connect these two portions of Islesville Street, requires an extension from Russell to Sullivan and from Sullivan to Young.

I have ~~pre-~~ had the accompanying plan prepared, which shows the properties affected by the extension. The extension of the street would undoubtedly be an improvement, as it would give a through street from Cogswell Street to Duffus Street, with a slight jog at Bloomfield Street. Creighton and Maynard Streets from Cogswell Street north are closely built up and house a large population. At present to reach Islesville Street from Kane Street north, it is necessary for any person resideing in the above mentioned district, to either go west to Agricola Street and then east along Kane to Islesville.

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As, under the Commission's housing plan it is probable that Islesville Street will be built up from Young Street to Duffus Street, in my judgment it is advisable that the extension be made so as to give a direct route between these centres of population. A reference to the plan will show that there are two damaged houses fronting on Young Street within the lines of the extension, one belonging to the Estate of Thos. Slaney and the other to J. J. Hunt. These houses are badly damaged and will cost more than the assessed value to repair. On Sullivan Street a house belonging to the Estate of John Pritchard has been entirely destroyed and nothing but the foundation remains. A temporary house has been built on this property since the explosion. The rest of the extension is through the vacant land with the exception of an old shed on the McFatridge property.

The Chairman of the Commission proposes if the City decided to extend the street, to assume all responsibility for settlement with the owners of buildings and improvements taken, and asks the City to pay for the land required. The extension will improve the value of the Commission's property on Islesville Street from Young to Duffus Street, and as it will have to restore the damage to the houses in any case, the question is whether it should not also bear a proportion of the cost of the land. However, this is a matter for discussion between the City and Commission.

There is no doubt that the present time is the most opportune to acquire the property. I do not think expropriation proceedings are necessary as yet, as the Commission should in settling the damages to the buildings, be in a position to acquire the land as cheaply as the City could under expropriation. I would recommend that the City Engineer be instructed to lay down on the Official City Plan the proposed extension from Russell Street to Young Street as shown on the accompanying plan.

H/ W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

It is decided to recommend to Council the adoption of the City Engineer's plan and report.

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LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

On motion of Controller Finlay the City Engineer is requested to submit to the City Treasurer his estimate of the approximate amounts of Monies required to be borrowed for the current year's activities in the Works Department.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Mr. John Mulroney.

A. R. Myers, M.D.	Attendance	\$35.00
A.R. Tabb,	Dentist	16.00
Moncton Hospital	Attendance	18.00
		<u>\$69.00</u>

The Board adjourned.

L. Fred M. Wray

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

June 20th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Police Department.
City Home Laundry Machinery Tenders.
War-Enemy Raids Signals.
Tuberculosis Hospital Site-Mayor's Veto.
Water Bill James A. Lindsay 18 Hurd Street.
Explosion Accounts.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Read letter Controller Murphy re Police Department, as follows:-

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

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

Immediate steps are necessary to relieve the feeling of insecurity which at present exists throughout the City. Out conditions of late have undergone a considerable change, and, in order to better meet same, from a standpoint of public safety, I would recommend the following for your consideration:-

1. -The addition to the Police Force of a sufficient number of men to double its present strength.
- 2.- The immediate installation of a complete Police Telegraph System throughout the City.
- 3.- That we raise the age limit of applicants, which at present calls for men under 30 years of age, to at least 35 years; also modify requirements as to height and other measurements.

Should these recommendations meet with your approval, it will be necessary in order to enable us to secure the money required to put them into effect, that we obtain from the Governor-in-Council the assurance that confirmatory legislation will be passed at their next session. In the face of the exceptional conditions confronting us at present, we should have no difficulty in obtaining this assurance.

June 20th, 1918.

I submit herewith detailed map showing lay-out of the City for police purposes, and feel you will agree that, with the number of men at present discharging these duties, it is utterly impossible for them to cover the districts shown.

John Murphy,
CONTROLLER.

The letter is accepted and referred to the Chief of Police for report.

CITY HOME LAUNDRY MACHINERY TENDERS.

Tenders for Laundry Machinery for the City Home are received and opened, as follows:-

Canadian Laundry Machinery Co..Ltd.	May 27th, 1918
do	June 14, 1918
do	June 14, 1918;
Troy Laundry Machinery Co. Ltd.	June 17th, 1918

Meyer Bros. Laundry Machinery decline to tender.

Referred to Controller Hines and the City Engineer for report.

WAR - ENEMY RAIDS SIGNALS.

Controller Hines is requested to interview Col. Laing and report as to the best system of signalling to the public in the event of the possible enemy raids.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL SITE -MAYOR'S VETO.

Controller Finlay submits the following resolution:

Resolved, that the City acquire from the N. S. Tramway & Power Co. Ltd so much of the property of that company adjoining Point Pleasant Park as is required for the establishment of a Tuberculosis Hospital and that for this purpose of such acquisition the City enter into an agreement with that Company binding the Company and the City of Halifax to buy the land required at a price to be determined by three arbitrators appointed in the usual way.

Further resolved, that Mr. J.C.Harris be appointed the City representative of the Arbitration Board.

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Read following letter from His Worship the

Mayor:-

Mayor's Office,
June 19th, 1918.

L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq.,
CITY CLERK.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby notify you that I intend to veto the resolution passed at yesterday's meeting of the City Council, re Tuberculosis Hospital. Within the next few days I will inform you of my grounds for taking this step.

A. C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

His Worship the Mayor informs the Board that he had signified in writing with his signature in the Minutes his disapproval of the expenditure proposed by the resolution of Council June 18th, for the expropriation of the Tramway Company's property as a site for a Tuberculosis Hospital.

His Worship the Mayor ruled Controller Finlay's resolution out of order in view of the veto of the resolution of Council.

WATER BILL JAMES. A LINDSAY, 18 HURD STREET.

Read water bill James A. Lindsay, 18 Hurd Street claimed to be excessive. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

EXPLOSION ACCOUNTS.

Controller Murphy resubmits the accounts of \$12,589.61 chargeable to the Explosion of December 6th, ~~the~~ listed by the City Auditor under date June 12th, and recommends payment of same with the following provisions.-

Halifax and South Western Railway, freight
\$156.77

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The Secretary is instructed to write asking the Railway to cancel this charge because it was solely for relief purposes.

C. Brister & Son. \$1050.00

The City Engineer is instructed to interview Mr. Brister with the view to securing a rebate on tarpaulins to be returned to him.

Health Board expenditure \$5368.31

These accounts are ordered to be paid out of funds on hand loaned to the City by the Relief Commission and the Advisory Committee is asked to request the Relief Commission to treat the expenditure as for purely relief purposes and not to include it as a City obligation in the final settlement.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

June 24th, 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.

Flemming Park Keeper.
Enemy Raids - Notifying the Citizens.

FLEMING PARK KEEPER.

Read minutes Board of Control March 19th, p 909 and March 28th, p 935 re care of Memorial Tower and appointment of a keeper for Fleming Park.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by Controller Murphy that William Topple be appointed keeper of Fleming Park for the six months from May 1st, 1918 to October 31st, 1918 at a salary of \$500.00 and that he be paid at that rate up to date.

Deferred until tomorrow.

ENEMY RAIDS -NOTIFYING THE CITIZENS.

Controller Hines verbally reported that agreeably to arrangement he had held a conference with Colonel Laing in reference to the best means of notifying the public in the event of any enemy activity in the vicinity of Halifax.

Colonel Laing stated that the original intention of firing three rounds from the Citadel Time gun and after the elapse of three minutes three more rounds has been

Engineer ✓
City Works ✓
Auditor ✓

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abandoned because of the existing common practice of intermittently firing guns from the various forts and the fact that blasts are frequently being set off at various works.

Controller Hines stated he suggested that the Military Authorities install three sirens of special unusual tone, one on the Tramway Power House, one at Moire Ltd, and one at the Brandram-Henderson Works with arrangements for long continuous blasts of say twenty minutes duration .

Col. Laing suggested that the Halifax adopt the English system of equipping the Policemen with bicycles and placing placards over their shoulders with painted warnings to the people to take cover.

Controller Hines also suggested that the Motor Cars of the Chief of Police, Chief of Fire Department and City Engineer might be utilized for warning purposes in case of need.

After discussion Controller Hines suggestion for the installation of three sirens is unanimously approved and the City Clerk instructed, to notify Colonel Laing accordingly.

The Board adjourned,

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

June 25th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor, and Controller Hines, Finlay, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Railway Siding Livingstone Street.
Coal Supply.
City Prison, Cost of Maintenance of Prisoners
City Home, Cost of Maintenance of Inmates.
City Prison-Cost of Maintenance Military Prisoners.
City Prison Meat Supply.
City Prison-Dicipline of Prisoners and Safety at Prison.
City Prison Maintenance.
Motor Hack License Emmanuel St. Omar.
Explosion Account - Beatrice Harrington.
City Home Laundry.
Explosion Accounts.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Motor Hack Licenses.
City Medical Officer, W. B. Almon.
Fleming Park Maintenance.
Telephone Service City Hall.
Telephone Service Supplies by City.
Relief Commission -Removal of Garbage Temporary Dwellings.
Vandalism in Devastated Area.
Fire Insurance Rates.
Policeman Jerry MacAdams' Resignation.
Montreal Star Advertising.
Tramway Service.
Bill Boards.
Chief of Police Motor Car.
Insurance of Firemen.
Military Service Act.
Condition of Streets.
Paving of Streets.
Kline Street South.
Uniacke Street Oiling.
City Home Picnic.
Horses - Sale of Without Paying Taxes.

RAILWAY SIDING LIVINGSTONE STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 20th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I have had an application from the Halifax Relief Commission for permission to lay a siding from Kempt Road along Livingstone Street

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and Isleville Street at Cabot Street. I wrote them that the track through Livingstone Street would be objectionable as there are a number of houses on each side of this street and the track going through the street would be dangerous as well as a nuisance to the abutting dwellers. I suggested that a better line from the operating point of view and also from the City point of view, could be obtained by carrying the line through the Incinerator field and across the old Hennessey property, curving in to Isleville Street near Kane Street. This would necessitate running through a portion of the Incinerator field and a street crossing at Robie St and Agricola Streets. These two crossings would be far less of a nuisance and danger than the crossing originally proposed.

The siding is required for delivery of materials at the site of the new buildings proposed to be erected by the Commission in the block between Isleville and Gottingen Streets from Young Street north and also the other buildings to be erected in the devastated area, and its use will undoubtedly cheapen the cost of the work on these buildings and lessen the time required for their construction. In my opinion anything that the City can do towards achieving these objects should be done so that the people's homes may be restored as quickly and as economically as possible.

I would therefore recommend that permission be given to cross the Incinerator field with the tracks and also Robie and Agricola Streets and also to lay the tracks on Isleville Street near the west side from Kane to Cabot Streets.

As the Commission own all the land on this side of Kane Street between the streets mentioned, no hardship will be done any private owners.

The siding is proposed as a temporary one, and permission should only be given from year to year for the maintenance of it, and this maintenance should be subject to the approval of the City Engineer.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report of the Engineer is approved and he is instructed to draft and submit to this Board in writing the agreement to be entered into and to provide in it that watchmen shall be stationed at all street crossings and that the crossings and railway line on streets and City Property shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

Council ✓
Solicitor ✓
Engineer ✓

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COAL SUPPLY.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, June 20th, 1918;

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that the following is an estimate of the quantity of coal required for City service during the ensuing year-

	Hard	Soft
Fire Department	81	325
Public Gardens	8	48
City Home	24	450
Rockhead prison	15	100
City Market	50	50
City Hall	100	55
Infectious Hospital		20
City Workshops and works		100
Chain Lake Pipe House	6	
	284 238	1098 1148

I would recommend that the coal required be purchased immediately, as while it is extremely difficult anthracite at present, it will very likely be still more so, later on.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report is adopted and the City Engineer is instructed to call for tenders for the approximate quantity of coal required.

CITY HALL HEATING SYSTEM.

The City Engineer is instructed to report with recommendations as to the boilers for the heating system of the City Hall and as to changing such of the boilers as now use hard coal to soft coal burners.

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CITY PRISON, COST OF MAINTENANCE OF PRISONERS.

Read report Governor City Prison, as follows:-

Governor City Prison,
June 25th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit a report by request of the Board of Control, in re maintenance of Civil Prisoners, for Civic year ending April 30, A.D, 1918. The daily average eleven prisoners, @ 45¢ per day, would mean an individual cost per annum \$164.25 and bring a total cost of \$1806.75 this comprises rations, and clothing etd.,.

Geo. Grant,
Per. M/A.H.

The City Auditor is requested to prepare and submit a statement showing the per capita cost to the City for the year 1917-18 of maintaining prisoners in the City prison including all overhead charges.

CITY HOME, COST OF MAINTENANCE OF INMATES

The City Auditor is requested to prepare and submit a statement showing the per capita cost to the City for the year 1917-18 of maintaining inmates in the City Home including all overhead charges.

CITY PRISON -COST OF MAINTENANCE MILITARY PRISONERS.

Read letter Military Authorities and report thereon by Governor Grant, City Prison, as follows:-

Militia and Defence,
June 15th, 1918.

To-

Dr. A. C. Hawkins,
Mayor of Halifax, City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Your Worship:-

Bills amounting to \$44.50 for the

Auditor ✓
Governor City Prison ✓

Auditor ✓
for A. Bryan

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maintenance of No. 1060224, Pte. Wm. Sloan, 246th Battalion, C.E.F. are returned herewith.

Your attention is invited to Section 136 of the Militia Act, as follows,-

"The Governor, Keeper, or Warden of every goal, prison or penitentiary in Canada, shall receive and detain according to the exigency of any warrant under the hand of any District Officer Commanding, or other person authorized under the Regulations to issue a Warrant and delivered into his custody and shall confine such prisoner until discharge or delivered over in due course of law".

And also to a Regulation set out in General Order 181 of 1906 in which it is ordered that-

" In addition to District Officers Commanding, each of the hereinafter mentioned persons is hereby authorized to issue warrants under his hand for the purpose stated in said Section 136- viz - The Adjutant-General of Militia, and the Commanding Officer of any person mentioned in a warrant and delivered into custody under the provision of said Section 136".

The law and regulations thus quoted were made under the authority of the Dominion Parliament, and wardens, gaolers etc., are bound to receive prisoners handed over to them by warrant duly signed by one of the Officials mentioned, and to detain and deal with such prisoners in the same way as they would detain and deal with prisoners committed by Civil Magistrates. The prisoners thus committed are offenders against the law of the land, that is against the Militia Act and there is no more necessity for a Commanding Officer of the Militia Department to make an arrangement with a gaoler for the maintenance of a prisoner than there is for a Civil Magistrate to do so when he commits to gaol a person who has been convicted of, -say Larceny.

In view of the above it is not considered that the Militia Department should be held responsible for the payment of this claim and the claimant should look either to the municipality or provincial authorities for settlement.

E. D. Sutherland, Major.
for A.A.G. Mil. Dist. No. 6

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Halifax, N. S. June 25th, 1918

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

I beg to report in re Military
Authorities v s City Prison Department, City of

June 25th, 1918.

Halifax.

The amt. charged for board for Military Prisoners sentenced by Court Martial, is in accord with Prison records governing such cases, and have been paid as submitted without comment, except one case that being in November 1915, when the Military claimed their regulations allowed 25¢ per day only. The matter was reported to the Prison Controller and through the City Solicitor the bill was paid as originally submitted. I would state that in addition to the triplicate Invoices required by the Military, I also submit a statutory declaration of the facts in order to avoid any misunderstanding, regarding the interpretation of the law as here in quoted by the Militia Act, I am profoundly ignorant and consider it a legal question, over which I have no control.

George Grant,

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

CITY PRISON MEAT SUPPLY.

Read letter G.C. Hartlen & Co. and report thereon by Governor Grant City Prison, as follows:-

G.C. Hartlen & Co,
June 24th, 1918.

Gov. Geo. Grant,
Dear Sir:-

The wholesale price has been continually advancing so we are compelled to charge the City Prison, for the month of June 20¢ a pound for the beef we are supplying.

G. C. Hartlen & Co.

City Prison, Halifax, N. S

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

I beg to report on the meat supply for City Prison, G.C. Hartlen & Co. submits as per statement attached.

I would report that in view of the small number of prisoners confined in the Prison June 1917, tenders was not called for, I would therefore suggest that owing to the increasing number of Prisoners, and the constant advance in prices, that tenders be called for all prison supplies.

George Grant,
Per MA.H.

June 25th, 1918.

Gov. Grant ✓
Governor Grant's report is approved and he is instructed to call for tenders as recommended.

CITY PRISON - DISCIPLINE OF PRISONERS-
AND SAFETY AT PRISON.

Read report Governor Grant, as follows:-

City Prison, Halifax, June 25/18

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that unpreparedness is becoming serious as regards the safety of the prison, a number of prisoners have to be kept in close custody to avoid danger. More room is also required for the retention of prisoners. As the closed door cells have to be used which is very undesirable and also very unsanitary altogether the situation is critical and calls for immediate attention. as under present conditions I would frankly state, we are open to serious trouble with a but little resistance to oppose or face any uprising.

George Grant,
Gov. City Prison.

Gov. Grant ✓
City Solicitor ✓
Referred to the City Solicitor for a detailed report as to all prisoners confined in the City Prison at the present date showing date of Commitment, term of sentence, Offence convicted of, whether civilian, Military or Naval subjects and as to whether the City of Halifax is liable for upkeep in the Prison of Military and Naval Prisoners now there or whether the cost should be borne otherwise than by the City or the prisoners sent elsewhere for detention.

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CITY PRISON MAINTENANCE.

Controllers Taylor and Murphy are appointed a Committee to enquire into the question of the advisability or otherwise of restoring the City Prison to its condition prior to the explosion of December 6th, and report.

MOTOR HACK LICENSE EMMANUEL ST. OMAR.

Read letter and resolution Oxford Street Methodist Church re Taxi cab licenses as follows:-

Oxford Street Methodist Church
June 24th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor.

The enclosed resolution was unanimously passed by standing vote at the Oxford St. Methodist Church on Sunday evening the 23rd. Over four hundred citizens were present, and I was instructed to forward the same to you.

Harold Roe,
Pastor.

Resolution.

"That this congregation, numbering 400 citizens, worshipping at Oxford Street Methodist Church of Sunday evening June 23rd, view with disfavor the granting of taxi-cab licenses to persons of known undesirable character, and would respectfully urge in the interests of public morality that the license granted to Emmanuel St. Omar be immediately withdrawn. "

Carried unanimously by standing vote.

Consideration of the formulation of a suitable acknowledgment is deferred until Thursday's meeting.

EXPLOSION ACCOUNT - BEATRICE HARRINGTON.

Read report City Solicitor re account charged by the Town of Truro against the City of Halifax for the maintenance of Beatrice

Cont. Taylor ✓
Cont. Murphy ✓
Gov. Grant ✓
City Engineer ✓

Board of Control ✓

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Harrington a refugee from the City at the
time of the Explosion as follows:-

Office of City Solicitor,
June 25th, 1918.

The Secretary,
Board of Control.

Dear Sir:-

The only authority under which the
City could legally pay a claim of the nature
of this one would be under the Poor Relief
Act, which requires one poor district to re-
imburse the another for expenses incurred by the
latter district in respect to a pauper having
a settlement in the former.

According to the facts as stated by
the Town Clerk of Truro, the relief in this
case was not furnished by the Town of Truro,
but by the local branch of the Halifax Relief
Commission, that is to say, by private charity
and consequently I cannot see any ground on
which the City can legally discharge this ob-
ligation. It appears to me that it should be
presented to the Halifax Relief Commission, here.

F. H. Bell,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Referred to the Relief Advisory Committee
to take up with the Relief Commission.

CITY HOME LAUNDRY *machinery*.

Read report Acting City Engineer re ten-
ders for laundry Machinery for the City Home,
as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
June 25th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir.

I beg to report that tenders for Laundry
machinery for the City Home were received from
the Canadian Machinery Company and the Troy
Laundry Machine Company, as follows:-

	Canadian Mach- inery Co.	Troy Laundry Machine Co.
Direct Geared Machines	\$4546.00	\$3725-duty
	f.o.b Halifax and War Tax	1303.75
Belt driven Machines	\$3435.00 F.o.b	5028.75
	Halifax	3110-duty and
	war tax	1088.50
		\$4198.50

As these figures show, the tender of the

June 25th, 1918.

Canadian Machinery Company is the lowest on either type of equipment. From what I can learn there does not appear to be any material difference in the quality of the equipment supplied by either of the Companies. The largest laundry in the City uses the Canadian Machinery Company's machines, and the proprietor informs me that they give him every satisfaction.

With regard to the difference in type every advantage lies with the direct geared machine except that of price; the maintenance is less as the motor is only running when the particular machine to which it is attached, is in use. With the belt driven machines from a single motor, the large motor would be running even though only one machine might be in use. It is also suggested that where these machines are to be installed at the City home, there would be more or less unskilled labor using them, and probably older people would be working in the laundry. There would be less danger to these people in using the direct geared machines, which is another point in their favor.

The Canadian Machinery Company manufacture in Canada while the Troy Company manufacture in the United States.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Council ✓

It is decided to recommend to Council the acceptance of the tender of the Canadian Machinery Company for direct geared machines at \$4546.00 f.o.b. Halifax subject to authority for loan being obtained from the Finance Department Ottawa, and to satisfactory answer being received to a telegram to be sent by the City Engineer to the Canadian Machinery Company as to their specifications of type of motor they will supply if awarded the contract.

EXPLOSION ACCOUNTS.

Read amended report City Auditor re
Explosion Accounts, as follows:-

June 25th, 1918.

Office of City Auditor,
June 24th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

As requested, Please find attached,
statement of accounts payable by the Halifax
Relief Commission, totaling \$12,432.⁸⁴ in
departments:-

Council ✓
Emergency Relief.....\$2,240.40
Fire Department..... 558.01
City Home..... 271.21
Police Department..... 2.86
City Property..... 447.28
Rockhead Prison..... 3,544.77
Board of Health..... 5,368.31
\$12,432.⁸⁴

The amount \$2,240.40 for Emergency Relief
is avouched for by Controller Murphy,

W.W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

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EXPLOSION ACCOUNTS.
As listed and passed to City Clerk.
June 22nd, 1918.

EMERGENCY RELIEF.

C. Brister & Son.....	-Feb.....	\$1,050.00	
D. A. Scott.....	-Jan.....	22.72	
A. J. Grant & Co.....	-Dec.....	59.71	
David Roche.....	-Dec.....	69.67	
Wm. McFatridge.....	-Dec.....	126.00	
Brookfield Bros.....	-Jan.....	92.30	
Imperial Oil Co.....	-Dec.....	5.50	
The Piercy Supply Co.....	-Dec.....	2.50	
Halifax Herald.....	-Jan.....	6.27	
T.C. Allen & Co.....	-Dec.....	7.80	
Isnor Bros.....	-Dec.....	87.05	
The Ross Print.....	-Feb.-Mar..	19.25	
Robert Taylor Co.....	-Dec.....	39.25	
A., Newman.....	-Dec.....	6.00	
N.S. Furnishing Co.....	-Dec.....	87.50	
Neil Fox.....	-Dec.....	31.50	
City Home, Patients at time of Explosion		143.22	
Nickerson & Crease.....	-April....	90.00	
W. I. Hubley & Co.....	-April....	66.89	
Irwin & Sons.....	-May.-April.	24.25	
Dr. McFatridge.....	-Dec-Apr....	75.00	
The Good Shepherd.....	-Mar.....	10.16	
J. & M. Murphy.....	-Apr.....	48.64	
Imperial Oil Co.....	-Feb.....	10.65	
Robert Stanford.....	-May.....	22.50	
J. & M. Murphy.....	-Mar.....	36.07	\$2,240.40

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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Hillis & Sons	-Dec....	\$.85	
Wm. McFatridge.....	-Mar....	40.00	
Melvin & Co.....	-Feb....	1.39	
David Roche.....	-Dec.-Apr.	436.18	
Frank Reardon.....	-Mar....	11.69	
Melvin & Co.....	-Mar....	3.08	
John McInnes & Sons.....	-Mar.-Apr.	64.82	\$558.01

CITY HOME

Piercey Supply Co.....	-Dec.....	67.25	
S.A. Marshall & Son.....	-Apr.-May..	203.96	271.21

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Arthur T. Meagher.....	-Apr.....	1.50	
Piercey Supply Co.....	-Feb.....	1.36	2.86

CITY PROPERTY.

Frank Reardon.....	-Jan.....	10.10	
do	-do.....	17.42	
do	-Feb.....	8.40	
do	-do.....	15.03	
do	-do.....	6.80	
Jas. Simmonds.....	-Feb.....	7.50	
do	-do.....	62.03	
David Roche.....	-Feb.....	107.75	
do	-Mar....	177.25	
Lawrence Hardware Co.....	-Feb.....	10.00	
John McInnes & Sons.....	-Mar.....	25.00	447.28

ROCKHEAD PRISON.

The Barrett Co.....	-Jan.....	27.50	
Rhodes Curry Co.....	-Feb....	356.07	
Brookfield Bros.....	-Feb....	26.52	
A.J. Grant & Co.....	-Feb....	39.24	
Geo. Kinsman.....	-Feb....	61.98	
Hillis & Sons.....	-Feb....	104.65	
Rhodes Curry Co.....	-Mar....	111.41	
Hillis & Sons.....	-Mar....	21.29	
The Piercey Supply Co...	-Mar....	5.75	
David Roche.....	-Mar....	43.08	
John Foley.....	-Mar....	49.75	
A. J. Grant & Co.....	-Mar....	16.12	
Imperial Oil Co.....	-Mar....	7.90	
Rhodes Curry Co.....	-Apr....	883.65	
A. J. Grant & Co.....	-Apr....	7.75	1,782.11
J. & M. Murphy.....	-May....	3.75	
Rhodes Curry Co.....	-May....	255.71	
The Barrett Co.....	-May....	96.25	
Halifax Seed Co.....	-May....	11.25	
Melvin & Co.....	-May....	25.75	
A.T. Meagher.....	-May....	43.40	
Cash paid for labor-Carpenters, etc.		1,346.00	

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BOARD OF HEALTH.

R.N. McDonald.....	-Dec.-Apr..	\$1,757.94	
G.M. Smith & Co.....	-Dec.-Apr..	101.99	
Geo. H. Kinsman.....	-May.....	79.35	
Burns & Kelleher.....	-Mar.....	11.00	
Robert McLeod & Co.....	-Dec.-Apr..	325.63	
Adams Express Co.....	-Mar.....	3.00	
Kinley's Ltd.....	-Dec-Apr..	284.84	
S. Cunard & Co.....	-Jan-Apr..	1,044.48	
J. A. Kaizer.....	-Feb-Apr..	34.34	
Longards Ltd.....	-Feb.....	1.50	
W.F. Page.....	-Apr.....	42.00	
Gordon & Keith.....	-May.....	33.22	
A.E. Carnell.....	-Mar. Apr..	8.00	
J. & M/ Murphy.....	-Mar.....	31.20	
Webster Smith & Co.....	-Mar.....	6.65	
O.C. Warner.....	-Jan-Feb..	80.50	
A. H. Lamphier.....	-Mar.....	4.25R	
Religious Good Shepherd...	-Feb.....	1.00	
do do		6.08	
Halifax Herald.....	-Mar.....	4.18	
City Taxi Service.....	-May.....	3.00	
Hillis & Sons.....	-Mar-Apr-May	91.12	
Nova Scotia Furn. Co.....	-Jan-Apr....	341.15	
Longards Ltd.....	-Mar-Apr....	889.30	
King Edward Stables.....	-Jan-Feb...	83.00	
Farquhar Bros.....	-Jan-Mar...	37.97	
Baldwin & Co.....	-.....	61.62	\$5,368.31

Total.....\$ 12,432.84

The accounts as scheduled in the amended statement are passed for payment agreeably to the provisos referred to in the resolution of June 20th.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read reports (2) City Electrician re Fire Alarm Boxes, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
June 20th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

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

No. 21, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17.

P.R. Colpitt,
CITY ELECTRICIAN.

June 25th, 1918.

City Electrician's Office,

To His Worship the Mayor
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The following F. A. Signal Boxes
have been inspected and found in good working
condition.

No. 37, 35, 212, and 19.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

MOTOR HACK LICENSES.

Read applications Frank Rice, and Everett
Langille for Motor Hack Licenses. Referred to
the Chief of Police for investigation and
ordered to be granted if O. K'd by him.

CITY MEDICAL OFFICER W. B. ALMON.

Read letters City Auditor and City Med-
ical Officer re position and salary of City
Medical Officer, W. B. Almon, as follows:-

35 Hollis Street,
Halifax, N S. June 19th 18

His Worship the Mayor
and the Board of Control.

Sirs:-

As requested, I beg to state that I am
unwilling to continue to act as City Medical
Officer, until a full-time D. P. H. man is
appointed, at a salary of \$1800.00 a year.

W. Bruce Almon, M.D.
Acting City Medical Officer.

The Superintendent of the City Home, the
Governor of the City Prison and the Chief of
Police are requested to report as to the num-
ber of visits made by Dr. Almon to the Depart-

*Chief of Police
Asst. City Clerk*

*City Auditor
City Medical
Officer
Governor
Jas W. Bryan
Council
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ments named during the month of May.

FLEMING PARK MAINTENANCE.

The matter of caretaking of Fleming Park (see Minutes, June 24th) is referred to Controller Taylor and the City Engineer to attend to, the pay of caretaker, labor and other expenditure to go through the Works Department.

TELEPHONE SERVICE CITY HALL.

The Chief of Police reported that the Private Branch Exchange service just established in the City Hall does not give satisfactory service to the detectives office or to his own office after 5 o'clock in the after noon when the P.B.X switchboard is shut off. Referred to the City Engineer.

TELEPHONE SERVICE SUPPLIED BY CITY.

The City Engineer is requested to report up a list of telephones supplied by the City during the last Civic Year and the present Civic year.

RELIEF COMMISSION - REMOVAL OF GARBAGE
TEMPORARY DWELLINGS.

Read correspondence as follows:-

Halifax Relief Commission,
June 8th, 1918.

H. W. Johnston, Esq.,
Acting City Engineer,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Hall the Manager of our Housing Department advises that he has not yet been able to make satisfactory arrangements with the City in connection with the removal of ashes and garbage from the temporary quarters on the Exhibition Ground, the South Common and the Citadel.

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Can you not suggest some method by which this very serious condition can be taken care of?

If it is necessary to employ City teams for the work the Commission is prepared to pay for them rather than let the matter stand but if called upon to take such a step would consider any expenditure in this connection as a fair charge against the City to be taken into account in any final adjustment, in view of the fact that protection of this character is necessary for the health of the community.

Ralph P. Bell,
Secretary.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 12th.

Ralph P. Bell, Esq.,
Secretary Halifax Relief Commission,
City.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 8th instant., Mr. Hall the Manager of your Housing Department, telephoned me in connection with the removal of ashes and garbage from the Relief buildings in the Exhibition grounds, South Common and Recreation Grounds. I suggested to him that the most efficient way of doing it would be to have the Reconstruction teams remove the same two or three times a week or as often as might be necessary to prevent nuisance.

I cannot agree with the contention you advance in the last clause of your letter that the City should pay the cost of this removal, for the following reasons:-

The buildings were erected for the relief of people rendered homeless through the explosion, and a large number of these people occupying these buildings lived in a district from which the ashes and garbage were not removed by City teams. These houses being compactly and closely built up, make it hard for our large City ash carts to get through. Our City regulations require the separation of ashes and garbage, and this would mean two barrels to each family, which would take up a very large amount of the open space surrounding the buildings. By the Commission removing it, this could be avoided as everything could be placed in one barrel, thus at least halving the number of receptacles required for each dwelling. The money appropriated for our different services cannot be exceeding, and as the ap-

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appropriation is made on estimates based on conditions at the time, and these have altered due to the explosion, I think it is a matter for the Relief Commission to deal with and pay the cost from its funds. The City only removes ashes and garbage once a week. Owing to the congested population at the temporary buildings, in my judgment the refuse should be removed at least twice a week if not often-er. This of course, the City could not under- take with the funds available, but the work could be done economically ~~done~~ by the Com- mission's teams as they have light trucks which could remove all the refuse in the course of two or three hours and as frequently as might be considered necessary.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Halifax Relief Commission,
June 18th, 1918.

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

Dear Sirs:-

Would you be good enough to refer to the attached correspondence - letter of our under date of June 8th to the Acting City Engineer and his reply of June 12th.

This matter has been placed before the Commission and they have instructed me to say that they regret that the City is not willing to undertake its obligations in the matter, and that the Commission withdraws its offer to finance the extra expense involved.

Since all phases of this situation have such a direct bearing on the health of the community it would seem that this is a matter that should very properly be taken up by the Board of Health.

Please let us hear from you at the earliest possible moment, as the matter is one requiring immediate action.

Ralph P. Bell,
Secretary.
Advisory

Referred to the Relief/Committee to take up with the Relief Commission.

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VANDALISM IN DEVASTATED AREA.

The City Clerk reports having received on the 18th inst. and passed over to the Chief of Police on the 19th inst. a letter from the Relief Commission covering a complaint from John Withell, 82 Wellington Street of alleged vandalism at his property #50 Russell Street.

FIRE INSURANCE RATES.

Read letter Board of Trade, as follows:-

Board of Trade,
Halifax N. S., June 13, 18

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

Gentlemen:-

As requested by you in recent communication, the Council of this Board made request of the representatives of the different Insurance Companies doing business in this City, for a general reduction in rates, in view of the recent improvements in the fire fighting apparatus, and also the inauguration of a wholly paid Fire Department, etc.

Our demand was placed before a meeting of the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters, and at a subsequent meeting of this Council, a representative of that body was present, and stated the matter had been thoroughly discussed but a reduction could not be recommended for the following reasons:-

(a) Increases in rates have been made in cities throughout Canada - especially in Western Canada, during the past several years.

(b) In keeping with all other lines of business overhead charges have greatly advanced, and the cost of conducting business generally demands an increase rather than a reduction.

(c) There has been no increase in Halifax Insurance rates for over ten years notwithstanding the fact that the Board of Fire Underwriters have repeatedly asked for fire fighting improvements- especially in the water service.

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(d) That Halifax rates are in keeping with conditions - Halifax being largely a "Wooden city".

It was further pointed out by the Board of Fire Underwriters, that the different companies pay very heavy taxes in this City, in fact, we were given to understand that in now way, would a reduction in rates be entertained at the present time.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

Filed.

POLICEMAN JERRY MAC ADAMS - RESIGNATION.

Read resignation Policeman Jerry MacAdams.

Accepted,

MONTREAL STAR ADVERTISING.

Read circular letter Montreal Star soliciting the City to advertise in that paper in its June 29th Special Edition.

Filed.

TRAMWAY SERVICE.

Read letter Public Utilities Board re Tramway Service, as follows:-

Board of Commissioners
of Public Utilities,
June 22nd, 1918.

Mr. L. Fred. Monaghan,
City Clerk,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

I Have to acknowledge the receipt of an extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Control for the City of Halifax held on the 13th inst, in regard to tramway service.

By direction, I have to say in reply that the Board assumes that it is the purpose of the City authorities to file a formal petition in accordance with the provisions of the Public Utilities Act

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and the regulations of procedure prescribed by this Board.

On such petition being presented, the same will, on the answer of the company there-to being filed and on application on behalf of the City, set same down for hearing.

L. B. Taylor,
Secretary.

Solicitor
Referred to the City Solicitor with instructions to inform this Board in writing as to whether it is the duty of the Board of Public Utilities on their own initiation to institute an official investigation of the service of the Halifax Tramways and Power Company Limited having regard only to the informal complaint submitted to them by this Board and without requiring a formal petition to be presented to them.

BILL BOARDS.

Engineer
The City Clerk reports having received and handed over to the City Engineer on 24th inst. for report an application from the E. L. Ruddy Co. to erect Bill Boards:

Willow Street next to No. 12
Granville Street south of Orpheus Theatre/
Brunswick Street and George St, north
east corner. building.

CHIEF OF POLICE-MOTOR CAR.

Tenders for a five passenger Motor Car for the Chief of Police are received and opened as follows:

A. L. Pelton & Co.	Gray Dort....	\$1270.00
Chas. Brister & Son,	McLaughlin	
	Buick.....	1900.00

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Chas. Brister & Son.	McLaughlin Buick	\$2000.00
do	do	1575.00
E.S. Cottingham	Ford	672.58
Do	(if extra tires)	204.80
W.L. Kane	Overland	1175.00
do	do	1390.00
Sheehan Motor Co.	Dodge Bros.	1650.00
Nova Motor Co.	Chevrolet	935.00
do	do	1435.00

On motion of Controller Finlay it is decided to recommend to Council the purchase of a Chevrolet Car at \$935.00

INSURANCE OF FIREMEN.

Tenders for insurance on the officers and men of the Fire Department are received and opened from the following:-

Yorkshire Insurance Co. Rainnie & Keator Ltd.
Employers Liability Assurance Co. Rainnie & Keator.
Canada Accident Assurance Co. C.W. Hayward
Maryland Assurance Cor. Stayner Hart & Co.
Guardian Insurance Co. of Canada, W.R. McInnes.
Confederation Life Assn. John P. Quinn.
Railway Passengers Assn. Co. W.A. Hallisey
Canada Accident Assn. Co. E.E. Faulkner & Co.
London Guarantee & Accident Co. A.M. Jack & Son.
The Provident Assurance Co. C.I. McCullough
Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society,
Accident Branch... G.E. Fraser & Co.

The tenders and sample policies accompanying them are referred to Controller Finlay for report.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT.

Controller Hines calls attention to the fact that the Military Authorities are depleting the Fire Department of its young and active men and crippling the usefulness of this most important and necessary service. Recently one of the chauffeurs was taken off a motor fire engine under the Military Service Act, without notice, to the Department. He

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recommended that representations be made to the Authorities that they should leave enough active young men in the Fire Department to cope with the work.

Controller Taylor stated that the same conditions apply to the Police Department.

His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines and Taylor are requested to draft a report on the conditions in the two Departments with the view to communicating with the Military Authorities.

CONDITION OF STREETS.

The City Engineer is instructed to rake off the loose stones and effect emergent repairs to Jacob Street, Cornwallis Street and Gerriah Street.

PAVING OF STREETS.

The City Engineer is requested to submit a report on the most suitable material for permanent paving of Cornwallis, Jacob, and Buckingham Streets, from Brunswick Street east, and the probable cost with recommendations.

UNIACKE STREET OILING.

On recommendation of His Worship the Mayor the City Engineer is instructed to repair Uniacke Street and treat it with oil.

KLINE STREET SOUTH.

The City Engineer is instructed to fix the sidewalk and gutter on the east side of South Kline Street from Oak Street south to No. 63.

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CITY HOME PICNIC.

Controller Hines reports that Mr. Buchanan Superintendent of the City Home invites the members of the Board of Control to attend a picnic or garden party to be held by the ladies of St. Mary's Parish, on the City Home, grounds this afternoon for the benefit of the inmates.

HORSES - SALE OF WITHOUT PAYING TAXES.

Controller Murphy requested a report from the City Assessor as to the possibility of securing a revenue from persons bringing carloads of horses to the City for sale.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Willow Street Sewer-St. John's Presbyterian Church.
Traffic Regulations - Argyle Street.
Removal of Ashes.
Hydro-Electric Power -Halifax Power Company.
Public Schools- Explosion Damages.
Police Department Improvement.
Explosion - Policeman David C. Wilson.
Beech, Chestnut, Quinpool Road- Sewer Trenching Tenders.
Argyle, Blowers and Grafton Streets-Paving.
City Prison Inspection.
Policemen.
Fire Department Chief's Motor Car.
Bonds Falling Due July 1st.
Morris Street Boulevard-Dalhousie College-
Mrs. M. Morash.
Motor Hack Licenses.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Enemy Raid Warnings.
Coal Weighing in Canadian Cities.
Water Service Pipes, Nos. 74-76-78-80 West Street- A. P. Healy.
Water Bill- A. P. Healy, 80 West Street.
Water Bill - Mrs. M. Phalen, 29 Agricola St.
Explosion - Waste Water.
Jubilee Road Numbering of Buildings.
Jubilee Road No. 167, Water Meter.
Taxers Maritime Construction Company.

WILLOW STREET SEWER - St. JOHN'S PRESBY-
TERIAN CHURCH.

Reverend Mr. Matheson and Messrs Evans, and McDonald appeared before the Board requesting early action in the matter of the construction of a sewer in Willow Street in order to remedy conditions at St. John's Presbyterian Church.

The Delegation is advised to obtain an agreement from the property owners in

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the street to have it graded so that it may be taken over by the City and to secure from H. McC. Hart permission for the construction of the sewer through ^{the} a portion of Willow Street in which he is interested and to confer with the Acting City Engineer at his office at 3 o'clock this afternoon and to endeavor to secure the attendance of Mr. Hart.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS - ARGYLE STREET.

Read petition Argyle Street Merchants and others, in connection with Street Traffic Regulations asking that they be relieved of having to move their teams every half hour. J. L. McNutt one of the petitioners addresses the Board.

The matter is referred to Controller Taylor and the Chief of Police.

REMOVAL OF ASHES.

J. E. Roy appeared before the Board stating that the City this year had declined to remove in bulk as has been customary in the past the winters accumulation of ashes from the Roy Building. He claimed that there were eight stores in the building and each store was privileged to put out two barrells, which would make sixteen barrells for the building.

Mr. Roy is informed that if he puts out sixteen barrells every Tuesday the City teams will take away the ashes.

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HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER -HALIFAX POWER COMPANY? .

Rod McColl appears before the Board and submits a draft form of agreement between the Halifax Power Company Limited and the City of Halifax for the supplying of Hydro-Electric Power to the City, as follows:-

AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT entered into this day of 1918

BETWEEN

THE HALIFAX POWER CO. LIMITED? hereafter described as

THE PARTY OF THE FIRST PART,
and

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX,
hereafter described as

THE PARTY OF THE SECOND PART.

The part of the First Part agrees to complete the developement of tis Hydro-Electric Plant on North East River near the Head of St. Margaret's Bay in accordance with the general design set forth in the Report of the Water Power Commission of Nova Scotia for the year 1917 or as may be altered by their authority so as to comply with the provisions of Chapter of the Acts of 1918, and in accordance with the specification annexed thereto marked "A" including complete generating plant, storage basins, high tension transmission line from generating plant to receiving station in the city., Receiving Station, distribution system for street lighting and lamps and fixtures for street lighting, all of which is more fully set out in specification "A" and in the plans referred to in said specification.

The Party of the First Part agrees to operate the plant for a period of three months if required by the city as a demonstration that it has fully carried out the specification "A".

The Party of the First Part agrees to carry out the work of construction according to specification subject to the inspection at any time by the engineer of the party of the Second Part or by any Inspectors appointed by him or any expert appointed by the Party of the Second Part, but the salary and expenses of such engineers, inspectors and experts shall be paid by the Party of the Second Part.

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The Party of the First Part agrees to pay for all labour and materials in connection with the construction of the work and all other charges in the carrying out of this contract.

The Party of the Second Part agrees that when the Party of the First Part has successfully demonstrated as aforesaid described that it has carried out the work in accordance with the Specification to pay to the Party of the first Part the sum of \$400,000 or to give to the Party of the first part its equivalent in Bonds of the City of Halifax payable thirty-five years from date of issue bearing interest payable half-yearly at the rate of 5%.

The Party of the first Part agrees that on the receipt of said cash or its equivalent in bonds, it will give to the Party of the Second Part a first mortgage or lien of the plant and total assets of the company or will give ~~me~~ them mortgage bonds of the Company for the above amount and in addition will give them 5100 shares of the Common Stock ~~and in the case of bonds of the Company~~ being 51% of its total issue of Common Stock and in the case of bonds of the Company being given will agree not to issue any further bonds or to give any lien that will rank equal or prior to the said mortgage bonds until they have repaid said loan from City or redeemed said City bonds including interest unless they should be specially authorized by writing to do so by the Party of the Second Part.

The Party of the First Part agrees that it will not issue any other stock or security having voting power without the consent of the part of the second part so that the control of the Company may not be taken from the Party of the Second Part.

The Party of the First Part agrees to pay the sum of 6% semi annually on the amount of the money loaned them by the City or on the face value of City bonds received by them and in addition to pay $\frac{1}{2}\%$ yearly to the Party of the second Part for a sinking Fund to retire said bonds at maturity.

The Party of the second part agrees that at any time they will cancel their mortgage or the mortgage bonds of the Company held by them on the payment to them of the face value of the loan or bonds with accrued interest less the actual value of the money in said Sinking fund at that time.

The Parties hereto agree that in case of any dispute as to the value of the City Bonds, it shall be settled by two arbitrators one to be appointed by the party of the first part and the other to be the Finance Minister

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of Nova Scotia and in case of their disagreement a third party to be chosen by them and in case of their failure to select a third party, he shall be selected by the Chief Justice of Nova Scotia.

The Party of the Second Part agree that they will do everything they can legitimately can to assist the Party of the First Part in carrying out this agreement by the Legislature of Nova Scotia and in obtaining the approval of the plans by the Water Power Commission and of authority to issue the securities for the construction of the Plant from the Minister of Finance, Ottawa.

The Party of the Second Part agrees that they will pay the Party of the First Part the usual rate for street lighting during the time that the plant is being ~~oper-~~ operated to demonstrate its efficiency and that this money and any additional earnings made by the Plant during this period shall be included in the regular revenue of the plant and shall not be considered as a part of the capital and therefore subject to the mortgage.

In case of any dispute between the City Engineer and the Company's Engineer, the question shall be left to an Engineer to be appointed by the Council of the Halifax Branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada whose decision shall be final. The expenses of paying said Engineer shall be borne jointly by the Parties ~~of~~ to this Agreement.

The Party of the First Part agrees to carry out the Contract for Street Lighting dated March 16th, 1916 being schedule "A" Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916 and Schedule "A" thereto as set out more fully in Specification.

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S P E C I F I C A T I O N .

Specification for the Construction of an Hydro-Electric Plant at North East River Halifax County referred to in Agreement between the Halifax Power Co. Limited and the City of Halifax dated _____ 1918.
day of _____

This plant shall be constructed in accordance with the general design described in the report of Water Power Commission of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1916 and as shown in General Plan annexed hereto, giving a plant capable of generating (as set forth in this report) with a proposed head of 148 feet and from the proposed water shed and storage an estimated amount of Power on wheel shaft of 1000 H.P for 24 hours daily

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or 6570.000 K.W. hours per year or a continuous supply of 750 Kilowatts, 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

The Head Dam shall be located at or near the Mouth of Coon Pond as shown on plan and the water shall be conveyed by a wooden stave pipe of at least 4' 6" in diameter and of 2600 feet in length more or less to a steel penstock of 200 feet approximately in length from which it will be delivered to the water wheels in the Power House situated at the Head of Mill Lake so as to give a head of a least 155 feet as shown on plan.

The crest of the dam at Coon Pond shall be at elevation 258 and the level of water in tail race shall be 98 or less thus giving a gross head of 160 feet or a net head of 156 feet.

Storage dams shall be built at the mouth of Lake Pochwoch and at Wright's Lake at a point shown on plan annexed. The height of crest of dam at Lake Pochwoch shall be elevation 357 and the outlet elevation 347 so as to give at least 8 feet storage over the present low water level of said Lake.

The Storage dam at Wright's Lake shall be built in accordance with plan annexed with crest of dam at elevation 285 giving at least 10 feet of stored water.

These Storage dams shall be of wood of good quality carefully constructed in a workmanlike manner in accordance with plans hereto annexed or as such plans may be changed with the approval of the Water Power Commission and the City Engineer.

The Head Dam shall be of concrete of the design and dimensions shown in detailed plan to be approved by City Engineer.

The Head Dam shall be of concrete of the design and dimensions shown in detailed plan to be approved of by City Engineer.

The Power House shall be of reinforced concrete of the size and dimension shown on detailed plan.

The Hydraulic machinery shall be of first class design capable of giving at least 85% efficiency and of a capacity of at least 1500 H.P. working under a head of 156 feet.

The Electrical machinery shall consist of two generators of at least 500 K.W. capacity each, capable of working under an overload of 25% and with an efficiency of at least 95%.

There shall be two transformers of 500 KW each for transforming the current so as to enable it to be transmitted at 33,000 volts.

The Transmission line shall consist of a substantial wood pole line with poles spaced not less than 40 poles to the mile. The wire shall be not less than No. 4 copper wire three phase line properly spaced and suspended from suitable cross arms with insulators.

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The Receiving Station shall be of reinforced concrete and shall be equipped with all necessary electrical apparatus of first class make including at least two transformers of 500 K.W.A each to step down the current from 33000 volts to 2200 volts and with suitable switchboards and other accessories.

The generators, step up transformers and transmission line shall be of such efficiency as to give a maximum loss of not more than 10% so that a capacity of 750 KW shall wheel power shall deliver at the receiving station in the City a minimum of 675 KW continuous power.

The distribution system shall be such as to enable the stringing of sufficient wires by the erection of new poles or by using the poles already in place to supply the 1,200,000 KW hrs. per year to the street lamps to be furnished under the contract.

The street lamps shall consist of 550-500 watts and 125 of 200 watts unless otherwise mutually agreed on by the Engineers, of the quality and character as provided by a detailed specification to be agreed upon between the City and the Halifax Power Company and shall be located as shown on plan to be provided by the City.

The machinery and materials shall be of good quality and design and constructed in a workmanlike manner so as to provide efficient Hydro-Electric development of the water power of the North East River as aforesaid ~~lighting~~ including its transmission to the City and distribution for Street Lighting and commercial use including a street lighting plant as provided by contract.

The draft agreement is referred to the City Engineer and City Solicitor and the City Electrician for report as soon as possible.

The City Clerk is instructed to forward a copy of the draft agreement to each member of the Board.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - EXPLOSION DAMAGES.

Read request School Board for a conference with this Board, as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners,
June 27th, 1918.

A.D. Hawkins, Esq.,
Mayor of City of Halifax.

Yours Worshipful.

Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Electrician ✓

members ✓
M/C

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of School Commissioners to ask that you arrange for a meeting of the School Commissioners with the Board of Control, to discuss the Explosion Repair Work of the Schools.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

John P. Quinn, Chairman, Geo. K. Butler
Supervisor and Fred E. Hull, School Buildings
Inspector appear before and address the Board.

Read letter School Board as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners,
June 27th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Board of School Commissioners to state that application is being made to the Governor in Council for an order on the City to issue its debentures for amount required to pay for two Portable Schools now placed on the Exhibition Grounds and further, for the amount required to repair five schools buildings damaged by the Explosion.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Mr. Quinn submits a detailed schedule of the actual estimated damage to school buildings, as follows:-

ACADEMY.

	<u>Estimate.</u>	<u>Repairs to date.</u>	<u>Balance Required.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Door and dormer windows.....	1,000.		1,000.	
Chimneys	200.		200.	
Plastering.....	400.	210.55	189.45	
Blackboards.....	958.		958.	
Doors.....	100.		100.	
Windows.....	200.		200.	
Glazing & Painting.	1,600.	368.	1,232..	
Papering.....	75.		75.	
General Woodwork.....	800.	592.96	207.04	
Heating and Plumbing	1,700.	180.12	1,519.88	
Storm sashes.....	200.		200.	

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<u>Academy continued.</u>	<u>Estimate.</u>	<u>Repairs to</u> <u>date.</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Required.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Furniture.....	900.		900	
Electric Work...	50.	1.50	48.50	
	<u>8,183.</u>	<u>1,353.13</u>	<u>6,829.87</u>	<u>8,183.00</u>

ACADIAN.

Doors	50.	39.	11.	
Windows	200.	140.51	59.49	
General woodwork	25.	8.55	16.45	
Plastering	250.	51.05	108.95	
Painting & Glazing	200.	165.83	34.17	
Heating & Plumbing	460.	100.	360.	
Furniture	200.		200.	
Blackboards	35.		35.	
	<u>1,420.</u>	<u>504.94</u>	<u>915.06</u>	<u>1,420.</u>

AFRICVILLE

Doors	30.	18.40	10.60	
Windows	115.	80.	35.	
Plastering & Chimney	98.	15.75	82.25	
Painting & Glazing	100.		100.	
Furniture	40.		40.	
Apparatus	27.90		27.90	
	<u>410.90</u>	<u>114.15</u>	<u>295.75</u>	<u>410.90</u>

ALEX? McKay (ANNEX)

Doors & Storm Sashes	400.		400.	
Heating & Plumbing	800.		800.	
Blackboarding	800.		800.	
Woodwork	4,000.	3,416.14	583.86	
Furniture	750.		750.	
Apparatus	50.		50.	
	<u>6,800.</u>	<u>3,416.14</u>	<u>3,383.86</u>	<u>6,800.</u>

ALEXANDRA.

Rebuilding N.S. Walls out of plumb.	6,700.	300.	6,400	
Slate roof and cop- per flashing	1,025.		1,025.	
Plastering	2,500.	2,206.80	293.20	
Woodwork of roof	600.	600.		
Window frames and Sashes	1,000.	800.	100.	
Doors	1,000.	700.	300.	
Storm Sashes and Weather Strips.	800.		800.	
Glazing	1,200.	1,119.27	80.75	
Painting Interior	2,500.	2,071.20	428.80	
Painting Exterior	500.		500.	
Plumbing and Heating	1,045.	669.14	375.86	
Electric Work	100.	23.32	76.68	
General Repairs	3,000.	2,707.77	292.23	
Blackboarding	2,650.		2,650.	
Furniture	1,000.		1,000.	
Apparatus	49.		49.	
	<u>25,669.</u>	<u>11,297.50</u>	<u>14,371.50</u>	<u>25,669.00</u>

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BLOOMFIELD (Common)	Estimate	Repairs to date.	Balance r Required.	Total.
Damaged beyond repair, condemned by City Engineer & Building Inspector, Estimated value to City.....	40,000.00	163.95	40,000.00	
Protection against weather.....	225.	103.95	121.05	
School Furniture..	1,000.		1,000.00	
Apparatus.....	75.		75.	
	<u>41,300.00</u>	<u>103.95</u>	<u>41,196.05</u>	<u>41,300.00</u>

BLOOMFIELD (High)

Repairs to brick walls, Pointing				
Brick Work.....	4,800.		4,800.	
Repair Slate Roof				
Staging.....	2,500.		2,500.	
Plastering... ..	5,700.		5,700.	
Metal Work.....	1,500.		1,500.	
Blackboards....	500.		500.	
Woodwork interior	10,535.		10,535.	
Plumbing, Heating				
Ventilating.....	8,691.		8,691.	
Tar and Gravel				
Roof.....	600.		600.	
Painting and Glazing	5,800/		5,800.	
Electric Work.....	450.		450.	
Furniture.....	2,000.		2,000.	
Apparatus including (Chemical, Mech. Dom. Science).....	300.		300.	
Protection against weather.....	892.48	864.78	27.70	
	<u>44,268.48</u>	<u>864.78</u>	<u>43,403.70</u>	<u>44,268.48</u>

CHEBUCTO

Repairing and rebuilding walls and roof and pointing.....	5,750.		5,750.	
Slating.....	3,000.		3,000.	
Plastering.....	3,200.		3,200.	
Deafening.....	390.		390.	
Blackboards.....	600.		600.	
Metal Ceiling....	800.		800.	
Interior Woodwork.	11,510.		11,510.	
Painting & Glazing.	6,485.		6,485.	
Tar & Gravel Roof	600.		600.	
Heating Plumbing				
Ventilating.....	7,440.		7,440.	
Electric Work....	800.		800.	
Furniture.....	2,000.		2,000.	
Apparatus.....	77.		77.	
Protection against weather.....	422.90	422.90		
	<u>43,074.90</u>	<u>422.90</u>	<u>42,652.</u>	<u>43,074.90</u>

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COLLEGE STREET.	Estimate	Repairs to date.	Balance Required.	Total.
Glass replaced in doors.	25.00		25.	
General repairs to floors	2,000.		2,000.	
General repairs doors and windows	1,000.		1,000.	
Blackboards	975.		975.	
Furniture	500.		500.	
Apparatus	75.		75.	
Emergent repairs	129.91	129.91	129.91	
Roof	1,000.		1,000.	
	<u>5,704.91</u>	<u>129.91</u>	<u>5,575.</u>	<u>5,704.91</u>

(This building was used by the Relief Commission for 3 months as a shelter for workmen, the commission putting it in repair to suit its purpose.)

INDUSTRIAL

Building not owned by Board, who is responsible for equipment of class rooms only.

Repairs to furniture	185.		185.	
Repairs to Black-Boards	50.85	5.85	45.	
	<u>235.85</u>	<u>5.85</u>	<u>230.</u>	<u>235.85</u>

JOSEPH HOWE.

Brick and Granite work	3,500.		3,500.	
Slate Roof	1,450.		1,450.	
Plastering and Blackboards	4,500.		4,500.	
Interior and Exterior woodwork	17,800.		17,800.	
Glazing & Painting	4,712.		4,712.	
Tar & Gravel Roof	500.		500.	
Plumbing, Heating & Ventilating	10,000.		10,000.	
Electric Work	600.		600.	
Furniture	1,600.		1,600.	
Apparatus	84.40		84.40	
Protection against weather	641.10	641.10		
	<u>45,387.50</u>	<u>641.10</u>	<u>44,746.40</u>	<u>45,387.50</u>

LEMARCHANT.

Roof	400.	321.	79.	
Doors and Windows	1,200.	626.58	573.42	
Storm Sashes	250.		250.00	

		June 28th, 1918.		Total.
LEMARCHANT (Cont.)		Repairs to date.	Balance Required.	
General Woodwork	800.	759.	41.	
Plumbing & Heating	940.	231.88	708.12	
Blackboards	950.		950.	
Painting	1,000.	730.48	269.52	
Furniture	500.		500.	
Apparatus	23.50		23.50	
	<u>6,063.50</u>	<u>2,668.94</u>	<u>3,394.56</u>	<u>6,063.50</u>

MANUEL TRAINING.

Plumbing & Heating	2,393.	1,787.06	605.94	
Roof, Frame, Trusses	1,000.	950.	50.	
General Woodwork	500.	22.20	477.80	
Windows and Doors	500.	500.		
Storm Sashes	75.	50.	25.	
Blackboards	785.	28.80	756.20	
Painting Interior			78.10	
Exterior Glazing	1,258.	1,179.90	13.89	
Electric Work	55.	41.11	100.	
Furniture	100.		175.	
Apparatus & Materials	175.		500.	
Fire Escape	500.			
	<u>7,341.</u>	<u>4,559.07</u>	<u>2,781.93</u>	<u>7,341.</u>

MORRIS ST.

Repairs to Glazing			1,450.	
sashes, partitions	1,450.		175.	
Repairs Plastering	175.			
Partitions, doors,			990.	
fanlights,	990.		4,041.	
Plumbing & Heating	4,041.			
Painting & Whitewash-			1,100.	
ing	1,100.		300.	
General Woodwork	300.		975.	
Blackboards	975.		400.	
Furniture	400.		50.25	
Apparatus	50.25			
Protection from				
weather.....	37.80	37.80	9,481.25	9,519.05
	<u>9,519.05</u>	<u>37.80</u>		

(At present used by Relief Commission as an Hospital, alterations to suit their purpose made by them.)

PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE.

Building not owned by Board; totally demolished, School Board responsible for equipment of interior.

Tiolet Fixtures	500.		500.	
Heating Fixtures	200.		200.	
Furniture	250.		250.	
Apparatus & Supplies	24.75		24.75	
	<u>974.75</u>		<u>974.75</u>	<u>974.75</u>

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		Repairs	Balance	
		to date.	Required.	Total.
<u>OXFORD SCHOOL.</u>				
Painting & Glazing	2,600		2,600	
Plastering	2,500		2,500.	
Heating & Plumbing	800.		800.	
Woodwork	4,000.		4,000.	
Furniture	750.		750.	
	<u>10,650.</u>		<u>10,650.</u>	<u>10,650.</u>

QUINPOOL ROAD.

Fencing	1,000.		1,000.	
Roof	1,000.	650.	350.	
Plastering	300.	281.20	18.80	
Windows & Doors	800.	719.11	80.89	
Painting Interior,				
Exterior.	1,000.		1,000.	
Metal Work	250.		250.	
Storm sashes	500.		500.	
General Woodwork	1,250.	309.94	940.06	
Plumbing & Heating	1,470.	226.96	1,243.04	
Glazing	800.	668.	132.	
Furniture	450.		450.	
Apparatus	25.		25.	
	<u>8,845.</u>	<u>2,855.21</u>	<u>5,989.79</u>	<u>8,845.</u>

RICHMOND.

Building totally demolished, together with new wing in course of construction.

Valued January 1917	75,000.		75,000.	
Furniture	1,500.		1,500.	
Apparatus & Supplies	93.65		93.65	
Some metal fixtures salvaged at cost of	53.70	53.70		
	<u>76,547.35</u>	<u>53.70</u>	<u>76,593.65</u>	<u>76,547.35</u>

ST. JOSEPHS.

Building totally demolished, value

Furniture	46,000.		46,000.	
Apparatus	2,250.		2,250.	
Some metal fixtures salvaged at cost of	93.65		93.65	
	244.20	244.20		
	<u>48,587.85</u>	<u>244.20</u>	<u>48,343.65</u>	<u>48,587.85</u>

ST. MAYR'S BOY'S.

Building owned by R.C. Corporation, rented by Board.

Windows & Sashes	200.	180.	20.	
Glazing	500.	425.60	74.40	
Storm Sashes	100.		100.	
Plastering	200.		200.	
General Woodwork	500.	208.85	291.75	
Painting	750.		750.	
Plumbing & Heating	400.	326.67	73.33	
Electric Work	75.	71.24	3.76	
Furniture	400.		400.	
Apparatus	16.		16.	

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<u>ST. MARY'S GIRLS'.</u>	<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Repairs to date.</u>	<u>Balance Required.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Building owned by R.C. Corporation.				
Windows, Sashes, and storm sashes.	300.	246.19	53.81	
Painting	1,000.		1,000.	
Glazing	700.	638.95	61.05	
Plastering	150.		150.	
Pointing Brick work staging	1,200.		1,200.	
Plumbing & Heating	550.	102.16	447.84	
Electric Work	70.	68.70	1.50	
General Woodwork	500.	446.83	53.17	
Furniture	400.		400.	
Apparatus	75.65		75.65	
	<u>4,945.65</u>	<u>1,562.83</u>	<u>5,442.82</u>	<u>4,945.65</u>

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS'.

Building owned by R.C. Corporation.				
Roof and Chimneys	1,000.		1,000.	
Plastering	600.		600.	
Partitions & Walls	1,100.	71.70	1,028.50	
Sashes and Frames	265.		265.	
Glazing	300.	202.90	97.10	
Plumbing & Heating	5,200.	34.50	5,165.50	
General Woodwork	500.	409.18	90.82	
Painting & Whitewashing	950.		950.	
Blackboards	1,490.		1,490.	
Furniture	800.		800.	
Apparatus	62.		62.	
	<u>12,267.</u>	<u>718.28</u>	<u>11,548.72</u>	<u>12,267.</u>

ST. PATRICK'S GIRLS'.

Building owned by R.C. Corporation.				
Roofs	750.		750.	
Brick walls, Staging	2,500.		2,500.	
Plastering	1,400.		1,400.	
Blackboards	1,495.		1,495.	
Doors	250.		250.	
Window frames and sashes	800.		800.	
Painting	1,350.		1,350.	
Replacing wood ceiling	750.		750.	
General Woodwork	2,500.	141.10	2,358.90	
Glazing	800.		800.	
Plumbing & Heating	1,272.		1,272.	
Protection against weather	251.93	251.93		
Furniture	300.		300.	
	<u>14,418.93</u>	<u>393.03</u>	<u>14,025.90</u>	<u>14,418.93</u>

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ST. PATRICK'S GIRLS' HIGH.

	Estimate	Repairs to Date.	Balance Required.	Total.
Roofs	975.		975.	
Brick walls and staging	5,900.		5,900.	
Plastering	1,385.		1,385.	
Blackboards	385.		385.	
Doors, Frames, Sashes	1,190.		1,190.	
Painting	1,475.		1,475.	
General Woodwork	3,600.		3,600.	
Glazing	765.		765.	
Plumbing & Heating	2,460.		2,460.	
Furniture	650.		650.	
Apparatus	79.		79.	
Protection against weather	424.20	424.20		
	<u>17,288.20</u>	<u>424.20</u>	<u>16,846.</u>	<u>17,288.20</u>

ST. PATRICK'S HOME.

Building does not
belong to Board who is
only responsible for
equipment of class-
rooms

Repairs to Blackboards
and painting
Furniture

189.	4.00	185.	
50.		50.	
<u>239.</u>	<u>4.00</u>	<u>235.</u>	<u>239.</u>

TOWER ROAD.

Brick Work, painting staging.	2,000		2,000	
Plastering	200.	193.45	6.35	
Roofs & Flashing	445.	269.37	175.63	
Storm Sashes	768.		768.	
Glazing	843.58	843.58		
Painting interior				
Exterior	1,000.	135.	865.	
General Woodwork	1,031.50	1,031.50		
Plumbing & Heating	800.	414.19	385.81	
Electric Work	45.	14.73	30.27	
Blackboards	145.	48.24	96.76	
Furniture	500.		500.	
	<u>7,778.08</u>	<u>2,950.06</u>	<u>4,828.02</u>	<u>7,778.08</u>

TWO PORTABLE SCHOOLS.
for Exhibition Grounds.

Buildings	1,205.50		1,205.50	
Freight	102.	102.		
Cost of Setting up etc	400.	365.78	34.22	
Storm sashes and doors	100.		100.	
Beaver Board	600.		600.	
Heating	30.		30.	
Coal Shed	100.		100.	
	<u>2,537.50</u>	<u>467.78</u>	<u>2,069.72</u>	<u>2,537.50</u>

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RECAPITULATION

ACADEMY	8,183.00
ADADIAN	1,420.00
AFRICVILLE	410.90
ALEX. MCKAY (ANNEX)	6,800.00
ALEXANDRA	25,669.00
BLOOMFIELD (Common)	41,300.00
BLOOMFIELD (High)	44,268.48
CHEBUCTO	43,074.90
COLLEGE ST.	5,704.91
INDUSTRIAL	235.85
JOSEPH HOWE	45,387.50
LEMARCHANT	6,063.50
MANUAL TRAINING	7,341.00
MORRIS STREET.	9,519.05
PROT. ORPHANAGE.	974.75
OXFORD	10,650.00
QUINPOOL ROAD	8,845.00
RICHMOND	76,647.35
ST. JOSEPH'S	48,587.85
ST. MARY'S BOYS'.	3,141.00
ST. MARY'S GIRLS'.	4,945.65
ST. PATRICK'S BOYS.	12,267.00
ST. PATRICK'S GIRLS.	14,418.93
ST. PATRICK'S GIRL'S HIGH.	17,288.20
ST. PATRICK'S HOME	239.00
TOWER ROAD	7,778.08
PORTABLE SCHOOLS	2,537.50

435,698.40

Mr. Quinn pointed out that no repairs had been effected to the Bloomfield Common School the Richmond School, or St. Joseph's School and that he believed from information obtained from experts that to replace these buildings at the present time would cost \$100,000.00 each in which case \$133,464.80 should be added to the recapitulated total making it \$587,163.20.

Mr. Quinn asked that the Board of Control approve of an application by the School Board to the Governor in Council for a loan through the City from the Relief Commission, not to exceed \$100,000.00 or to effect permanent repairs to certain of the buildings.

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Mr. Quinn made a further similar request for an additional \$175,000.00 for permanent repairs to the ~~building~~ following named schools upon which practically no work had yet been done, viz: Bloomfield High School, Chebucto, Joseph Howe, Oxford and St. Patrick's Girls High School.

Controller Murphy recommended that the School Board be requested where the estimated cost of any repair work exceeds \$1000.00 tenders be called for. Mr. Quinn agreed that the suggestion is a reasonable one and said the Board would call for tenders for large jobs.

On motion of Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Taylor the application for \$100,000.00 is unanimously approved.

On motion of Controller Finlay that application for the additional \$175,000.00 for the five schools named is approved.

In connection with the cost of the two portable schools on the Exhibition Grounds, Mr. Quinn said it was the intention of the School Board to request the Relief Commission to bear the whole cost of them, but in the meantime the Board needed money to finance their purchase.

On motion of Controller Murphy the school Board it recommended to pay the cost of the portable schools out of funds in hand.

Mr. Quinn explained that most of the repairs

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to the schools has been under an arrangement with the contractors on a 10% basis.

The City Engineer gave his opinion that this is the only fair basis upon in the kind of repair work that has to be done, especially under existing conditions as to materials and labor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT IMPROVEMENT.

Read report Chief of Police, as follows:-

Halifax N. S., June 27th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with your instructions to submit a report on the recommendation of Controller Murphy in re changes in the Police Force, I beg to report, as follows:-
First. I agree that the present force is numerically inadequate for the present needs of the City, but I do not think that it will be necessary to double the number of patrolmen. If the present force is brought up to the requirements of the present law, which calls for forty-three men, and twenty additional police officers were provided, I think the City would then be fairly policed. If this is done, I would suggest that one sergeant and five men, two of whom would be qualified drivers for the proposed motor patrol, be made a permanent office staff. I know from experience that in the American cities, the office staff is generally a permanent one and I think this would be a better system than the present, namely, of changing about from week to week. With the additional men suggested, I would be able to provide twenty-five patrolmen for duty in the day time and thirty-three at night. I would also suggest that the present ranks of Detective and Assistant Detective be abolished and that a chief inspectorship be created with the appointment of three inspectors with a salary equal to those now paid to the Detective and the assistant Detective. These officers would be called upon to do the detective work of the City and the Inspectors should be obliged to supervise by day and night the different divisions doing police duty. For instance, one inspector would be doing day duty

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one week and the next week, he would be doing night duty. These officers should be required to furnish daily reports to the Chief, as the result of their visits to the different divisions.

Secondly. As to the Police Telegraph system, I do not consider it is necessary at the present time. The installation would be expensive and the maintenance would be also costly. I feel, that with the additional men suggested, a motor patrol and a five passenger car be purchased for police purposes, the police service would be greatly improved. At any rate, I respectfully submit that it would be better to put my suggestion into effect and for a short time watch results before installing the system mentioned in the Controller's report.

Thirdly. It would be prudent possibly to raise the age limit to thirty-five and appoint a number of men temporarily as with the present conditions, it is difficult to get men; but I would suggest that as soon as circumstances will permit, the old standard should be returned to. In making this suggestion, I am looking to the future. Under the provisions of our Charter, a policeman has to service twenty-five years before getting a pension. If you put him on at thirty-five he will probably wish to remain until sixty in order to get the benefit of the pension scheme. In the period between the ages of fifty and sixty the ordinary police officer is not physically able to render very much service to the Department as a patrolman.

Frank Hanrahan.
Chief of Police.

Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by
Controller Hines that the report be approved and forwarded to the City Council with the recommendation that the City Clerk be instructed to request the Premier of Nova Scotia to assure the City that he will use his best endeavors to secure legislation at the next session of the Assembly to authorize any additional expenditure the City may be put to in carrying out the suggestions contained in the report.

? EXPLOSION -POLICEMAN DAVID C? WILSON.

Read application Policeman David C. Wilson injured in the explosion, for three months

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additional leave of absence.

The Chief of Police is requested to report to the Board on Policeman Wilson's case in order that the same may be submitted by the Advisory Committee to the Relief Commission.

BEECH, CHESTNUT, QUINPOOL SEWER TRENCHING TENDERS.

Tenders are received and opened for excavation and backfilling of the trenches for the Beech Street, Chestnut Street and Quinpool Road sewers as follows:-

Beech Street.

Ralph Burino, 230 Argyle Str	\$8.05	per ten ft of tren
Morrison & Co. 3 York St.	6.85	do
Bate, McMahon Maritime Co. Ltd.		
City.	8.25	do

Chestnut Street.

Ralph Burino	8.05	do
Morrison & Co.	6.75	do
Bate, McMahon Co.	8.25	do

Quinpool Road.

Ralph Burino	8.05	do
Morrison & Co.	8.85	do
Bate, McMahon Co.	11.75	do

ARGYLE, BLOWERS AND GRAFTON STREET PAVING

Tenders are received and opened for paving Grafton Street from Spring Garden Rd, to Blowers Street, Blowers Street from Grafton Street to Barrington Street and Argyle Street from Blowers Street to Jacob Street, as follows:-

Argyle Street.

Bate McMahon, Maritime Co. Ltd.	\$34,484.00
Warren Bituminous Paving Co. Ltd.	43,252.36

Blowers Street.

Bate McMahon, Co.	4,713.00
Warren Bituminous Paving Co.	5,180.52

Grafton Street.

Bate McMahon Co.	6,281.00
Warren Bituminous Paving Co.	8,031.14

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Totals.

Bate McMahon Co. \$45,478.00
Warren Bituminous Paving Co. 56,464.02

Engineer ✓
The Warren Bituminous Company also submitted an alternative bid for laying bitulithic on a macadam base instead of Concrete on the basis of cost plus 15%.

The tenders are referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY PRISON INSPECTION.

Controller Taylor requests the Board to visit the and inspect the City Prison at 3.30 o'clock today. Agreed to.

POLICEMEN.

Chief of Police ✓
The Chief of Police reported that in response to advertisement in the newspapers calling for applications for the position of ten policemen only five applications had been received and that ~~he~~ of the five there were only two candidates whom he would recommend.

The applications were as follows:-

^a
Charles W. P~~ott~~^{ie}, John Lefore, M.F. Ball, G.W. Lloy, and H. E. Dimock.

The Chief recommended C. W. P^a~~ott~~^{ie} and G.W. Lloy for temporary appointments to the force.

On motion of Controller Taylor the recommendation of the Chief is approved and ^a P~~ott~~^{ie} and Lloy appointed temporary members of the Police Force.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF'S MOTOR CAR.

Read letter Chas. Briester & Son re Motor

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Car for Chief of Fire Department, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. June 27th, 1918

Controller J. J. Hines,
City.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to your inquiry about the type of Car we proposed to supply your Department would say it will be a McLaughlin (6) Cylinder this years Model; Tires to be Non-Skid, price Fifteen Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars \$1575.00

Should your board decide to purchase a McLaughlin (6) Cylinder same type as was purchased for your Fire-Chief, with Non-Skid Tires the price will be Nineteen Hundred Dollars (\$1900.00)

Would say in both cases Cars will be free of War Tax.

CHAS. BRISTER & SONS LTD.
Per. Geo. Brister.

Referred to Controller Hines for further investigation as to whether Messrs Brister's tender is for a duplicate of the Chief's Car lost in the explosion.

BONDS FALLING DUE JULY 1st.

Read report City Treasurer, as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
June 29th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The Trustees of the Sinking Fund beg to report that the Bonds of the City of Halifax maturing on July 1st, 1918 and amounting to \$28000. can be paid from the funds on hand.

It is proposed to use the funds in the 1902 Sinking Fund for that purpose.

The concurrence of the Board of Control and the City Council is requested.

J.J. Hopewell,
Sec. Treas. Board of Trustees.

Approved.

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MORRIS STREET BOULEVARD - DALHOUSIE COLLEGE
MRS. MORASH.

Read letter E.D. King, Solicitor for
Mrs. Morash re property at LeMarchant Street re-
quired for extension of Morris Street Boulevard
to Dalhousie College, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. June 26th, 1918

Mayor Hawkins,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Mrs. Morash was in to see me this morn-
ing and instructs me to say that she has been
offered \$3000.00 for her two lots on LeMarchant
St., and she will be willing to sell them to
the City for that price.

Please let me know what your decision
is in regard to the matter and if you decide
to take the land I will have the necessary paper
prepared and submitted to you at once.

Edwin D. King.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

The City Clerk is instructed to acknowledge
receipt of the latter and to inform Mr. King
as to the action of the Board.

MOTOR HACK LICENSES.

Read application F. W. Fraser for a Motor
Hack License.

The license is ordered to be granted.

On recommendation of Controller Taylor
motor hack licenses are ordered to be granted
Everett Langille and Frank Rice.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
June 27th, 1918.

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

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have
been inspected and found in good working con-

Engineer ✓
E.D. King ✓

Ass. City Clerk. ✓

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dition. No. 91, 9, 95, 93, 65, 57.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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ENEMY RAID WARINGS.

Read letter Military Authorities, as follows:-

Militia and Defence,
Halifax, N. S. 25th June, 18

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

Dear Sir:-

In answer to your letter dated the 24th day of June 1918, in connection with the installation of an alarm, the General Officer Commanding does not concur in the suggestions of the Board of Control that sirens be installed for this purpose, more particularly since hearing the opinion expressed at the meeting held at Government House the week before last. Nor, indeed, would the Militia Department be likely to sanction any such expenditure for this purpose. The "alarm" was arranged with a view to notifying the citizens of danger. It is therefore the duty of the City to supply an alarm should the one provided by the Military Authorities not be satisfactory. That agreed upon by Controller Hines and myself on Saturday would seem to be most satisfactory.

Meanwhile, pending any further arrangements agreeable to all concerned the three (3) guns & c may be considered cancelled.

C. C. Willis, Major,
General Staff, M.C. No. 6
(A.O.D.)

Filed.

COAL WEIGHING IN CANADIAN CITIES.

The City Clerk reported that agreeably to request of the board, he had written various Canadian Cities for information as to the weighing and inspection of coal and had received very courteous replies covering the information desired from each- which he had made the following memorandum :

St. John, N. B.	No Ordinance.
Hamilton Ont.	Practically same as Halifax.
Toronto	No Coal By Law. City operates several scales and appoints two operator preventative officers who can accost any driver and

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have load of any commodity weighed over a City scale. The Criminal Law provides penalties for short weights. No. By Law . City contemplates. Appoints an Inspector and operates City Scales with Weighmaster. The Inspector or any consumer may demand that the load be weighed on City Scales. Much like Toronto and would not think of repealing it.

Montreal.
Regina.
Ottawa.

Tabled for futer consideration.

WATER SERVICE PIPES #74, 76, 78, 80 WEST STREET.
A. P. HEALY.

Read letter A. P. Healy as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., June 26, 18.

To The Secretary,
Board of Works.
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

As the water pipes in my houses, Nos. 74, 76, 78 & 80 West Street have suffered severly during the past few winters from frost, causing the pipes to burst, there has been in consequence a great waste of water, also necessitating numerous repairs to the breaks. I beg leave to apply to the Board for the installation of four new mains to replace the old ones which, however have been in service for about forty years.

At present the pipes enter the cellar from under the hall door and this being a cold and drafty part of the House, I propose, if the Board will install new mains to have the pipes enter the basement kitchen. Then I will change the plumbing and consequently over come the continual wast of water during the winter months.

Arthur P. Healy,
62 Agricola St.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL A. HEALY 80 WEST STREET.

Read Water Bill A. Healy 80 West Street claimed to be excessive. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL MRS. M. PHALEN 29 AGRICOLA ST.

Read Water Bill, Mrs. M. Phalen, 80 West Street claimed to be excessive. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

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EXPLOSION - WASTE WATER.

Controller Finlay called attention to waste of water caused by the Explosion at the corner of North Creighton and Merkle Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Controller Hines complained of waste of water through a two inch pipe at the Old Ladies Home on Gottingen Street due to the explosion.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

JUBILEE ROAD NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS.

Controller Murphy called attention to the erroneous numbering of buildings on Jubilee Road and recommended that the numbers on Jubilee Road commencing at Robie Street and that all the buildings from Robie Street west be renumbered.

JUBILEE ROAD # 167 WATER METER.

Controller Murphy requested a report from the City Engineer on the water meter at #167 Jubilee Road.

TAKES MARITIME CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.

Read notification Messrs. McInnes, Jenks & Co., to the City to attend a meeting of creditors of the Maritime Construction and Engineering Co. Ltd at 3 o'clock this afternoon in connection with the City's claim for taxes.

Referred to the City Collector for attention.

The Board Adjourned.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock present Deputy Mayor John E. Godwin, Chairman and Controllers Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Insurance of fireman.
Beech, Chestnut and Quinpoor Road Sewers Tenders.
Maitland and Falkland Streets Garage.
Argyle, Blowers and Grafton Streets Paving.
Queen Street, City Property, Mrs. Margaret Budley
Motor Hack License - G.E. Maskell.
City Prison Report for June.
Flynn Property Quinpoor Road - Buildings.
Market Building - Rental by Relief Commission.
V.G. Hospital Accounts for Maintenance of Patients.
War - Enemy Raids Warnings.
Automobiles Making Unnecessary Noise.
Gasoline.
Fire Insurance Motor Fire Apparatus.
Street Railway Line Barrington Street.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
Road Machinery.
Hollis Street-Street Sprinkling.
Street Railway Tracks.
City Prison Accounts.

INSURANCE OF FIREMEN .

Read report Controller Finlay re tenders for insurance of Firemen as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
July 2nd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I have read the various tenders and policies submitted and after a careful consideration, I have no hesitation in recommending the acceptance of the tender of the Railway Passengers Assurance Co. of London, England W. A. Hallisey, Agent, as being the lowest, providing that its policy when submitted is not limited with too many restrictive clauses. The terms are:-

- For purely accident \$3.00 per man per year.
- " accident and 31 diseases enumerated, \$5.00 per year man per year.
- " accident and all diseases, \$10.00 per man per year.

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and pays ~~all~~ weekly indemnity \$5.00 and \$1000. at death. The Company states that it has on its books, the Fire Department of Moncton, for the past seven years, which fact speaks of its favorable conditions.

The second in point of cost is the Employer's Liability Association Cor. of London, England, Hainnie & Keator, Agents, and if the number of diseases were not so limited by restrictive clauses, the \$10.00 weekly indemnity offered at an increase of only \$1.15 per year over the Railway Passengers Assurance Co., might have caused me to report favorably.

In the policy of the Employer's Liability Co., the charge for doctors of surgical treatment is borne by the Company, hence the impossibility of estimating on this point, as a surgical operation might easily run into hundreds of dollars. Even the fees for a doctor for a number of weeks might easily wipe out an apparent difference in cost and the total weekly indemnity to the fireman.

A. J. Finlay,
CONTROLLER R.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Hines that the report be adopted and forwarded to the City Council for approval.
Motion passed.

At suggestion of Controller Murphy it is further decided to recommend to Council, in view of the fact that it is the practice of the Fire Department to pay full time to men during illness, that all ~~insurance-be~~ weekly indemnities payable under the contract for insurance be deposited in a fund to be established for the purpose of recompensing the City for its outlay in premiums such fund to be allowed to accumulate from year to year and utilized as an offset to premiums paid or payable.

BEECH, CHESTNUT AND QUINPOOL ROAD SEWERS
TENDERS.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

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City Engineer's Office,
June 29th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Three tenders were received for the excavation and backfilling for the sewers on Beech Street, Chestnut Street and Quinpool Road:-

	<u>Morrison & Co.</u>	<u>Ralph Burnio</u>	<u>BateMcMahon Maritime Co</u>
Beech Street	\$685 per lin.	\$8.05 per lin.	\$8.25 per l
Chestnut Street	675 ft.of	8.05 ft. of	8.25 ft.of
Quinpool Road	8.85trench	8.05 trench	11.75 tren

There was no certified cheque accompanying Mr. Burino's tender, although the names of proposed securities are given. I have to-day received a letter from Bate McMahon Maritime Co. Ltd. offering if they are awarded to contract, to take in payment City six per cent bonds at par.

The estimated length of sewers are -
Beech Street 1577'4" Chestnut St. 421'0" Quinpool Rd. 1662'
which would make the total estimated cost with the various tenders, as follows:-

	<u>Morrison & Co.</u>	<u>Ralph Burino</u>	<u>Bate McMahon Maritime Co.</u>
Beech Street	\$10,805.19	\$12698.07	\$13013.55
Chestnut Street	2,841.75	3389.05	3473.25
Quinpool Rd.	14,711.36	13381.52	119532.03

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by
Controller Hines that the tender of Morrison
& Co totalling \$28,358.30 for the three
sewers being the lowest be recommended to
the Council for acceptance, subject to auth-
orization from the Minister of Finance for
the issuing of debentures. Motion passed.

MAITLAND AND FALKLAND STREETS GARAGE.

Read petition against the use of a build-
ing on Maitland and Falkland Streets, known
as Dowd's Carriage Factory, as a garage.

Referred to the Building Inspector to examine

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Engineer
the building and report with authority to order discontinuance of its use as a garage if there is any violation of the law.

ARGYLE, BLOWERS AND GRAFTON STREETS PAVING.

Council
Lt. Col. W. G. MacKendrick, President
Warren Bituminous Paving Company appears before and addressed the Board in relation to tenders for paving Argyle, Blowers, and Grafton Streets and submits the following letter:-

Toronto, Ont, July 2nd 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our interview of this date regarding the proposed construction of pavements on Argyle Street, Blowers and Grafton Streets, we desire to emphasize the desirability of the City of Halifax accepting our offer to construct BITHULITHIC pavements on the above streets, on the now existing Macadam Road. As pointed out in our tender to you of June 25th, and again in our interview of this date the most satisfactory pavements we have laid in our long and successful career in the paving industry are those which were laid over old Macadam roads or on six inches of broken stone foundation.

Chief Engineer
Your City has had thirteen years' experience with our pavements, and we are sure will have as many more years use out of these pavements with but little attention. We will guarantee our pavement laid on the old Macadam for the same length of time as we would on concrete, and what is the most important feature it, that the work will cost the City from ten to twenty thousand dollars less than if built on concrete.

Our offer of June 25th, for the construction of BITHULITHIC pavements on the Macadam base figures out at the following price, at which we are prepared to contract for the work:-

Argyle Street	\$24,410.25
Blowers Street	4,123.16
Grafton Street	6,268.59
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	\$34,800.00

We are in a position to start this work immediately and rush to completion should your Council see fit to award same to us.

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Trusting we may serve you in our capacity
as experienced road-builders, in carrying out
the above work, we are,,

Yours very truly,
THE WARREN BITUMINOUS PAVING CO. LTD
W.G. MacKendrick, Lt. Col.
President.

Council
Col MacKendrick is informed that his state-
ments and letter will be considered with the
City Engineer's report on the tenders when
said report is laid before the Board.

QUEEN STREET? CITY PROPERTY, MRS. MARGT. BUCKLEY.

Read letter Mrs. Margaret Buckley as follows:-

Halifax M. S., July 2nd, 1918.

The Mayor and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter, re Queen Street
lots, I will agree to purchase the same at the
price stipulated by you, namely (\$725.00) seven
hundred twenty-five dollars.

It is our intention to erect a small
apartment house on the property as soon as con-
ditions permit.

Margaret Buckley.

Deferred until Thursdays Meeting, the
Clerk to submit to the Board the previous cor-
respondence on the subject.

MOTOR HACK LICENSE - G.G. MASKELL.

Read application G.G. Maskell, for a
Motor Hack license. Referred to Controller
Taylor and the Chief of Police for report.

CITY PRISON REPORT FOR JUNE.

Read report Governor Grant City Prison for
the month of June. Filed.

On motion of Controller Murphy Governor
Grant is requested to in future include in his
monthly report a detailed schedule giving the
name, occupation, offence, term of sentence
and date of admission of every prisoner taken

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into the institution together with any information of a special nature which the Board may deem it necessary to consider, particularly as to whether the prisoner's maintenance is properly a charge against the City of Halifax.

FLYNN PROPERTY QUINPOOL ROAD - BUILDINGS.

Read application Frank Taylor for the repair and for the use of the smaller dwelling on the Flynn property Quinpool Road by arrangement with the City for occupation by him and his family.

Read application Charles Johnson to secure from the City an old stable building in the back of the Flynn property Quinpool Road.

Engineer
The City Engineer is instructed to inform the enquirers that the City has not yet come to any determination as to its policy in respect to the use to be made of the Flynn property and therefore cannot give a definite answer at the present time.

MARKET BUILDING - RENTAL BY RELIEF COMMISSION.

Read letter Relief Commission, as follows:-

Halifax N. S. June 29th, 1918

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

Dear Sirs:-

The Commission regrets that it finds that it is impossible to obtain satisfactory accommodation elsewhere in the City for the clothing now stored in the Market Building, and that it will therefore be necessary to continue in occupation of the above premises on the same basis as heretofore, namely, \$200 a month, until such time as the Commission can dispose of the stock now stored there.

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We may point out that even had we been able to obtain suitable accomodation elsewhere, it would have taken at least three weeks and ~~as~~ possibly a month to move our stock, and the Commission hopes that within a very short time the stock will have been reduced to such an extent that we will be able to get along with very much less space than we now require.

We wish your Board to appreciate the fact that the Commission has exhausted every means in its power in an endeavor to obtain other quarters but without success, and that the decision that it is necessary to remain where we are has only been arrived at because of absolute necessity.

When only a few weeks ago the Commission acknowledged the City's notification in regard to the rental charge of \$200 we were clearly under the impression that we would be allowed to remain there until such time as we could dispose of those goods to advantage, and we have now completed arrangements in this connection, which will ensure the removal of all stocks-~~setree~~ stored there at the very earliest possible moment.

Ralph P. Bell,
Secretary.

It is decided to accede to the request of the Relief Commission under the conditions stated.

V. G. HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS FOR MAINTENANCE OF PATIENTS.

Read letter Hon. E. H. Armstrong Minister of Public Works and Mines, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. June 29th, 1918.

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

Dear Sir:-

The V.G. Hospital has submitted to me a memorandum showing that up to the 31st day of March they had rendered accounts against the City of Halifax for the maintenance of patients properly chargeable to the City of Halifax amount of \$3,038.40. The memo further states that whilst these claims have been admitted by the City they still remain unpaid.

I have also a memorandum from the Hospital showing that between January 1st and June 1st, 1918 patients have been maintained at the Hospital who have been in the City for more than one year prior to their admission to the Hospital. These claims amount to \$668.00. The memo further discloses that there are outstanding claims against the City between October 1st and December 31st, 1917 amounting to \$1,135.50.

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I respectfully submit these date for your consideration and would appreciate your early consideration to the same.

On the 17th of April last I addressed a letter to the Board of Control through Controller Murphy submitting some proposals whereby any disputed claimed between the City of Halifax and the V.G. Hospital might be adjusted. This letter was submitted to the Board of Control on the 29th of April last I was officially notified that my proposals were accepted and the records of the Board of Control indicate that these proposals had been adopted. I am therefore unable to appreciate the reasons of the delay. Since the 29th of April no steps whatever have been taken on the part of the City to adjust these accounts on the basis of the proposals submitted and adopted.

Will you please bring this matter to the attention of the proper authorities and indicate to me at an early date what action the Board of Control propose to take in connection with these accounts I have enumerated above.

I shall be very glad indeed to meet the Board of Control or any person or persons whom they may select for the purpose of going into the final adjustment of these outstanding accounts on the terms of the proposals which have been adopted by the City.

Trusting to be favored with your early reply,

E. H. Armstrong,
Minister of Public Works and Mines.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the communication, to inform Hon. Mr. Armstrong that the same is under consideration by the Board of Control and to submit to this Board a detailed statement of accounts between the V.G. Hospital and the City.

WAR - ENEMY RAIDS WARNINGS.

Read letter Military Authorities as follows:-

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

To.-

His Worship the Mayor
City Hall, Halifax.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

On the 25th inst. a communication

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was forwarded to the City Clerk informing him that the Militia Department would not likely sanction the expenditure for the installation of Alarms as suggested by the Board of Control, that that it was the duty of the City to supply an alarm if the one provided by the Military was not satisfactory.

He was also informed that pending any further arrangements agreeable to all concerned the Alarm Signal, viz; three guns to be fired by the Time Gun, might be considered cancelled.

No notification of this has yet appeared to notify the citizens. The people are still very nervous, any loud blast giving them a fright. I would be glad if this matter could be brought to the attention of the public as soon as possible please.

W. H. Laing,
Colonel, G.S.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor and
Controller Hines for reply.

AUTOMOBILES MAKING UNNECESSARY NOISE.

Halifax N S., June 28th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

In enclose copy of letter of complaint from the Manager of the Halifax Hotel. I feel that it is only necessary for this Association to bring this matter before you in order that you will have the cause of this complaint eliminated.

A. G. Watson,
SECRETARY.

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Halifax, N. S., June 27th, 1918

THE HALIFAX AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.
CITY.

GENTLEMEN:-

The Halifax Hotel in its dilemma turns to your Association for the assistance in of same in using its best endeavors in order to obviate the incessant noise on Hollis Street between the hours of 11 p. m. and 3 am.

Some of the automobile owners who make this noise are members of the Association and if your body would be good enough to advise all members of the Association not to use their cut-outs and to make as little noise as possible in front of Hotels and Hospitals, I feel that it would help to effect the necessary quietness during the hours mentioned above. If your association would be good enough to

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write the Board of Control they might use their best endeavors with the Police also to assist.

The Halifax Hotel is not a member of your Association but a great many of our guests are, as well as the writer who feels that the weight of your Association in behalf of any matter presented to our City Fathers will bear the necessary fruit.

HALIFAX HOTEL,
(Sgd.) E. L. McDonald,
Manager.

Copies of the complaints are ordered to be forwarded to the Chief of Police for necessary attention.

GASOLINE.

Read letter City of Toronto re price of gasoline covering form of petition for a Dominion Government enquiry as follows:-

City Clerk's Office,
Toronto, June 24th, 1918.

To-

The City Clerk of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Council of the City of Toronto to say that it has passed a resolution directing that a petition be presented to the Government of Canada praying for an investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the recent abnormal increase in the price of gasoline and for an earnest consideration of the question of fixing a reasonable price at which gasoline may be sold.

I am further directed to enclose a form of petition for use in the event of your Council desiring to take similar action.

Petitions should be transmitted to Rodolphe Boudreau, Esq., Clerk of the Privy Council, Ottawa, Ontario.

W. A. Littlejohn,
City Clerk.

Ordered to be recommended to the City Council for approval and signature.

Chief of Police
E. L. McDonald
a. E. Walsen

Council ✓

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FIRE INSURANCE MOTOR FIRE APPARATUS.

Council ✓
The Board againe takes up the consideration of the placing of fire insurance of motor fire apparatus. Read offer of A. S. Wylde to insure Motor Fire Apparatus against loss by fire at a rate of 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. It is decided to recommend to Council that it is not considered necessary to carry insurance on the Fire Department's Motor apparatus.

STREET RAILWAY LINE BARRINGTON STREET.

Read letter Controller Murphy as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., July 2nd, 1918
His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

H. J. Wallison
Tram. Co.
The main line of the Tramway, as at present operating, stops at North Street. It would serve a great public convenience, in view of the number at present employed at the Drydock, and the promise of the further additional labor to be used to have the line extended to the corner of Young Street. I would therefore recommend that the Tramway Company be asked to continue the line ~~pp~~ to this point.

John Murphy,
CONTROLLER.

Approved.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read offer J. A. Thompson, as follows:-

Halifax N. S., July 1st, 1918.

To the Board of Control.
City.

Gentlemen:-

Having noticed the item in the Daily Echo regarding a site for the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital. Would say that I offer the Geizer property Dutch Village for the sum of Nine Thousand (\$9000.00) Dollars.

This property is said to contain twenty seven (27) acres about seven acres of which is under cultivation. a large portion of the woodland is trimmed park

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like and easily accessible by a good road-way. This property is also watered having different streams crossing it of sufficient elevation to form a head for a gravity supply system.

If you are interested ~~to~~ in the cleared portion only I would be pleased to make you a counter offer for the same without the woodland.

J. A. Thompson.

Receipt of the offer is ordered to be acknowledged.

Read report Dr. A. F. Miller Medical Superintendent Nova Scotia Sanatorium, Kentville, N. S., re site for a tuberculosis hospital as follows:-

The Nova Scotia Sanatorium,
Kentville N. S. June 23th, 1918

Mayor Hawkins and
Members of Board of Control.

Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

Following our visit of yesterday to the various sites contemplated by you for the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital, I beg to state that I would approve of three of them in this order of merit.

- 1st. The Webb property;
- 2nd. Geizer's Property;
- 3rd. The Arm site.

The Webb property, which seems to combine all the desirable features, including good air, isolation, beauty of surroundings and accessibility, I would certainly favor for the treatment of mixed cases of tuberculosis.

Trusting that an early settlement and satisfactory result of your efforts may follow.

A. F. Miller,
Superintendent.

(NOTE:- The Arm site referred to in Dr. Miller's report is the Tramway Company's property adjoining Point Pleasant Park; the Webb property Dutch Village Rd, Halifax County; The Geizer property, Dutch Village Road, Halifax County.)

Controller Finlay moves that the resolution submitted by him at Meeting of Board of Control, June 20th for the acquisition of the Tramway Company property

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and for the appointment of J. C. Harris as arbitrator on behalf of the City be now adopted.

Controller Hines, the seconded of the said resolution of June 20th, now withdraws his name as seconder.

The Chairman rules that Controller Hinlay's resolution is not seconded and that in view of the veto of His Worship the Mayor it is out of order.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to the approximate cost of extending the City Water service to the Webb property and His Worship the Mayor and the City Engineer are requested to ascertain and report to the Board the price at which the owners of the Webb property (Dutch Village Road) will sell to the City the whole or a portion of their property.

ROAD MACHINERY.

Read offer Roy R. Power to sell to the City a "Porcupine" road scarifier manufactured by the Universal Road Machinery Co. Kingston N. Y, for \$675.00 f.o.b. factory.

Referred to the City Engineer for report

HOLLIS STREET STREET SPRINKLING.

Controller Hines called attention to a complaint of Mrs. Church that Hollis Street south of Morris Street is not being sprinkled. Referred to the City Engineer to attend to.

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STREET RAILWAY TRACKS.

Engineer ✓
Controller Murphy informed the Board that the Street Railway Tracks at the intersection of Morris Street and Lower Water Street are in a dangerous conditions. The City Engineer is instructed to notify the Tramway Company to remedy the cause of complaint.

Engineer ✓
Deputy Mayor Godwin informed the Board that the tracks of the Gottingen Street spur of the street railway are in bad condition. Referred to the City Engineer to notify the Tramway Company to put the line in good condition.

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts chargeable to City Prison are passed for payment:-

City Prison.

J. J. Scriven & Sons.	Bread	\$36.96
W. I. Hubley & Co.	Groceries	102.72
G.C. Hartlen	Beef	45.60
Frank Fraser	Feed	51.85
J. & M. Murphy	Drygoods	46.70
H.S.T. & Power Co.	Current	3.52
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Rental	11.90
N.S. Fertilizer Co.	Fert.	46.00
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	2.10
The Chron. Pub. Co.	Adv.	6.27
Hillis & Sons	Stove Fit.	2.00
Robt Taylor Co.	Leather	6.00
A.L. Melvin & Co	Barb wire	13.80
do	do	3.05
Halifax Seed Store	Farm Seeds.	14.10
do	do	3.80
		<u>\$396.37</u>

The Board adjourned.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 4th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present Controller Murphy (appointed chairman) and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Motor Hack Licenses.
Gospel Tent on Common.
Dartmouth Loan of Steam Fire Engine.
Argyle, Blowers and Grafton Streets Paving.
Brunswick Street Extension - Robinsons Ltd. Property.
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Treasurer's Cash Statement for June.
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Queen Street - City Property - Mrs. Margaret Buckley/
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Tuberculosis Hospital Site.
Buckingham Street.
Cogswell Street Concrete Sidewalk.
Accounts.

MOTOR HACK LICENSES.

Read applications Wm. Crump and Joseph B. Herman for Motor Hack License. Ordered to be granted if passed by Controller Taylor and the Chief of Police.

GOSPEL TENT ON COMMON

Read petition for permission to erect a gospel tent on the Common, as follows:-

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

To His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
Or His Acting Mayor and
Honorable Board of Control.

My Dear Sirs:-

Our church on cor Maynard and Ontario

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Sts. having been destroyed, we are deprived of a suitable place in which to worship.

We respectfully request your permission to pitch a gospel tent for the season on the Middle Common, opposite St. John Avenue near Park Street.

We wish to use this tent to meet in while we are building a new church or during the warm weather.

Hoping this will meet favor and thanking you in advance,

Rev. Chapman,

Pastor Seventh Day Adventist.

Rev. Mr. Chapman appears before the Board in behalf of the petition.

Mr. Chapman is informed that the decision of the Board will be communicated to him at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning by the Deputy Mayor

(Note - at 11 a m on July 5th, the Deputy Mayor informed Mr. Chapman that the permission asked for is granted.)

DARTMOUTH LOAN OF STEAM FIRE ENGINE.

Controller Hines informed the Board that the Town of Dartmouth desire the loan of a steam fire engine while their fire engine is undergoing repairs.

Referred to Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department to assist the Town of Dartmouth as far as possible.

ARGYLE, BLOWERS AND GRAFTON STREETS PAVING.

Read report Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
July 3, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

In response to the advertisement for tenders for paving Argyle Street and portions of Blowers and Grafton Streets, the following bids were received-

Bate McMahon Maritime Co. Ltd.	\$45,478.00
Warren Bituminous Paving Co.	56,464.02

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The Warren Company also submits an alternative tender to lay a two-inch bitulithic surface on the old macadam base for \$2.45 persquare yard, to grade the street to receive the surface at cost price plus 15% and to reset the granite curb and gutter where necessary, for \$1893.62. No price is given for the granite block paving required. This alternative tender is estimated to amount to over \$42,000. The tender of Bate, McMahon Maritime Company gives a ten year guarantee, *called for in the specification. Bate & Warren Com only* for five years on either of their proposals. *guarantee*

The question of providing a concrete foundation was thoroughly threshed out when the original paving was done thirteen years ago. In my opinion a concrete foundation is more particularly required in this work, as a water pipe will be laid along Argyle Street in advance of the paving, and although with careful backfilling the trench can be solidly compacted, still to obviate any possible danger from any slight settlement which might take place, a concrete foundation should be laid. Another advantage in having this permanent foundation lies in the fact that if, owing to the changing conditions of traffic, a different type of wearing surface should be required, the foundation is always there on which to build any type of roadway. Apart from other considerations in connection with the alternative tender, the difference in price is more than warranted by the extra value received. The amount of tender is only estimated and may run as high as the amount of the Bate McMahon bid.

The Bate McMahon Maritime Company's tender being the lowest complying with all the conditions of the specification, including concrete foundation and ten year guarantee, I would recommend its acceptance.

Before paving on Argyle Street is done as previously recommended, the small water main should be replaced with a larger one. The excavation and more particularly the backfilling should be done by the paving contractor, as he guarantees the pavement. I have asked both tenderers for prices on this work, and the Bate McMahon Maritime Company offer to do it at cost plus ten percent and the Warren Bituminous Company at cost plus fifteen percent.

It is recommended that this offer of the Bate McMahon Company be accepted and the excavation and backfilling of the trench will be laid and made by the City.

H.W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

It is decided to recommend the report to the City Council for adoption, subject to an expression of the opinion of the Council

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Council ✓
as to the advisability of undertaking street paving work at the present time.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION - ROBINSONS LIMITED PROPERTY.

Geo. M. Robinson of Robinsons Ltd. appeared before the Board requesting that they be paid by the City for the property owned by them recently laid down on the official City Plan for the proposed extension of Brunswick Street from Sackville Street to the junction of Queen and Doyle Streets and upon which they are not now permitted to build.

Council ✓
Mr. Robinson is requested to submit in writing to the Board the value they place upon the land and it is decided to recommend to Council in order to facilitate a settlement that if a fair price cannot be agreed upon that the valuation be fixed by Arbitration.

OILING OF STREETS.

Alderman Kelly appeared before the Board urging immediate action in the matter of the oiling of Bell Road and North Park Street, Spring Garden Road, Coburg Road and other streets.

The City Clerk is instructed to write the Carritte-Patterson Co. asking for quotations for oil for oiling streets.

(Note.- In answer to telephone message the Carritte-Patterson Co. inform the City Clerk that they have oil in stock of the kind used for streets but that at present owing to the absence of their representative they are not in a position to quote prices, but will do so upon his return.)

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EXPLOSION - SCHOOL BUILDINGS REPAIRS.

Read reports Board of School Commissioners, as follows:-

Board of School Commissioners,
Halifax, N. S. July 2nd, 1918.

J. S. Parker, Esq.,
Chairman, S. S. & B. Committee.

Dear Sir:-

I have examined the Joseph Howe School, and beg to report as follows:-

The building is of brick with slate roof, containing ten classrooms and Assembly Hall. The roof is in a badly damaged condition owing to the Explosion of December 6th last. The walls are in fair repairs, that is there is nothing wrong structurally. The greater damage to the interior is in the plastering and woodwork, floors, etc. In my opinion this building can be put in thorough repair and got ready for school purposes in a short time, and be in as good condition as ever. Also that these repairs can be completed within the amount estimated.

F.E. Hull,
Superintendent.

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Board of School Commissioners,
Halifax N. S. June 27th 18

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Board of School Commissioners to state that application is being made to the Governor in Council for an order on the City to issue its debentures for amount required to pay for two portable Schools now placed on the Exhibition Grounds, and further, for the amount required to repair five school buildings damaged by the Explosion.

S.J. Wilson,
Secretary.

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Board of School Commissioners,
Halifax, N. S. July 4/18

L.F. Monaghan Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

In acknowledging your letter of

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June 28th, stating that the Board will not oppose the School Board's application to the Governor in Council to direct the City to issue its debentures for \$100,000 for the purpose of effecting permanent repairs to certain school Buildings, nor for a similar application for \$175,000 for repairs on five named school buildings, I am directed to request the Board of Control not to overlook the formal application to Ottawa that the City be granted permission to issue its debentures for the amounts and purposes so specified.

S.J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council with this Board's report of June 28th re loan of \$275,000.00 for repairs to school buildings necessitated by the explosion of December 6th and the said sum of \$275,000.00 ordered to be included in the City's application to the Minister of Finance for permission to issue Bonds for various purposes.

LOANS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

It is unanimously decided to recommend to Council that formal application be made to the Minister of Finance Ottawa, for permission to issue debentures to raise the sum of \$589,700.00 for the following purposes :

North West Arm Trunk Sewer.....	\$90,000.00
Lateral Sewers.....	75,000.00
Permanent Sidewalks.....	10,000.00
Permanent Pavement.....	44,000.00
Widening of Streets.....	5,000.00
Water Extension.....	20,000.00
Abbott's Completion.....	10,000.00
Public Market Completion.....	2,500.00
Tuberculosis Hospital.....	35,000.00
Motor Police Patrol.....	2,000.00
City Home Improvement.....	6,000.00
Assessment Plan Completion.....	2,500.00
Fire Equipment.....	6,000.00
Motor Fire Engine.....	15,000.00
Repairs 18 School Buildings.....	100,000.00
Repairs to 5 School Buildings.....	175,000.00

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TREASURER'S CASH STATEMENT FOR JUNE.

Read cash statement City Treasurer for the month of June. Referred to the City Council for its information.

STONE CONTRACT PROGRESS PAYMENT.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:

City Engineer's Office,
July 3rd, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir.-

I beg to recommend payment to the Nova Scotia Supply Company of the sum of nine hundred and thirty-seven dollars and sixty-one cents (937.61) on account of their contract for delivery of stone -

5002 bushels 1" stone @ 14¢	\$700.28
1351 D 2" " @ 13¢	175.63
2115 " bindings @ 13¢	296.10
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	\$1172.01
20% retained	234.40
Bal. recommended	<hr/>
	937.61

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The progress pay estimate is passed for payment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORT.

Read reports Chief of Fire Department for months of May and June as follows:-

Halifax, July 3/18

Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to make the following report for the month of May there having been 50 alarms of fire from the following causes:-

Chimneys 9, coffee roaster 1, rubbish 6, tug boat on fire cause unknown, floor catching fire under cooking range not properly constructed 1, defective flue 2, sparks from chimney setting fire to roof 5, paper taking fire from furnace 1, supposed spark from pipe setting fire to hay in barn, grass on fire 3,

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excelsior on fire in rear of building 1, bush
fires 7, unknown 3, incendiarianism 1, bon fire
setting fire to building 1, smoke backing down
chimney 1, oil stove 2, tar pot 1, false 3.

Insurance at risk \$5,0000.00

Loss by insurance	10000.00
Loss without insurance	15300.00
	<u>\$25300.00</u>

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

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Halifax, July 3/18

Board of Control.
Gentlemen, -

I beg leave to make the following
report for the month of June there having been
23 alarms of fire from the following causes;
Rubbish 4, chimneys 4, false 1, unknown 4,
sparks setting fire to building 2, paper in
cellar 1, electric iron 1, tar pot 2, furnace
smoking 1, bon fire 1, defective wiring 1,
cigarettes butts setting fire to building 1.

Insurance at risk	\$500.00
Loss by insurance	500.00
Loss without insurance (H.M Dockyard)	50250.00
	<u>\$50750.00</u>

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

Referred to City Council for its information.

CITY HOME REPORT FOR JUNE.

Read report City Home for the month of
June, as follows:-

Halifax N S., July 4th, 1918

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit the following report
of Charities Department, for the month of June
1918.

The Superintendents report shows that during
the month there were 23 persons admitted into
the CitynHome, 2 Born, 25 discharged and 3 Died

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Of the number admitted 6 were chargeable to the Province and 17 to the City.

The total number of inmates June 30th was 239 made up of 155 men, 122 women and 16 children; on the same date last year there were 147 men, 116 women and 10 children a total of 273.

During the month there were 4 patients admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital (whose maintenance is chargeable to the City of Halifax) and 1 patient so chargeable died.

Contracts for Flour and Groceries will expire on July 31st. It will be necessary to call for tenders for the renewal of same.

J. J. Hines.
Controller.

Thereport is ordered to be forwarded to the City Council with the recommendation that tenders be called for flour and groceries for supply for 6 months or for 12 months.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician re fire alarm boxes, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
July 3rd, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor
and the Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

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

Nos. 67, 61, 6, 69, 63, and 312.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.
Per. M/C.

Filed.

QUEEN STREET - CITY PROPERTY - MRS. MARGARET BUCKLEY.

Again Read letter Mrs. Margaret Buckley, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. July 2nd, 1918

The Mayor & Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter, re Queen

July 4th, 1918.

Street lots, I will agree to purchase the same at the price stipulated by you, namely (725.00) seven hundred and twenty-five dollars.

It is our intention to erect a small apartment house on the property as soon as conditions permit.

Margaret Buckley.

Controller Murphy informs the Board that W. P. Buckley guarantees to erect a building on the property to cost not less than \$15,000.00 if the City will sell it for \$725.00

It is decided to recommend to Council that the property be sold to Mrs. Buckley at \$725.00 preserving to the City the right of way for the sewer which runs through it.

INSURANCE OF FIREMEN.

Read letters G. E. Fraser & Co. re their tender for insurance of firemen.

Ordered to be forwarded to City Council with the Board's report on the subject.

BILL BOARDS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Bill Boards as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying application from the E. L. Ruddy Co. Ltd to erect a bill board on vacant lot on Willow Street. I have written the aldermen of the Ward and from replies received I find that people in the vicinity nearest the Board, are opposed to it. I therefore recommend that this permit be not granted.

With regard to the bill board on the west side of Granville Street south of the Orpheus Theatre, there being no objection that I know of, I would recommend that permission be given for its erection.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved

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PARADE WALL - AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
July 3, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir,

I beg to report that some time during

Tuesday night as a result of a run-away automobile striking the iron railing at the Argyle Street entrance to the Parade, one whole section of the railing was broken out and the granite post turned on its setting. I am getting figures for repairing ~~the~~ damage from;

Hillis & Sons
Flemming Bros.
W. & A. Moir.

This work should be done at once, as we have only a temporary board railing there, which is unsightly and likely to be a source of danger to passersby.

Wm. J. DeWolfe,
Assitant Engineer.

The Report is approved.

The Chief of Police is requested to submit a full report respecting the breaking of the Parade fence by an automobile stating who was responsible for the accident.

STREET LIGHTING.

The report of the Acting City Engineer submitted at meeting June 11th, 1918 re Street Lighting is again read.

The report is referred to the City Electrician for report with his opinion as to the increased price proposed to be charged by the Tramway Company and as to the quantity and quality of the street lights being at present supplied by the Company, the Elec-

Chief of Police
Engineer

Electrician

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trician to attend the Board meeting at which he presents his report.

CITY ELECTRICIAN'S SALARY.

Controller Finlay informs the Board that the City Electrician is drawing the increased pay provided in the estimates for 1918-19 which was fixed with the intention that full time service was to be given.

The City Auditor is requested to report as to the amounts paid the City Electrician for the months of May and June.

POLICEMAN HAROLD MAURICE VINE.

Read application Harold Maurice Vine for the position of Policeman.

On motion of Controller Taylor, Harold Maurice Vine is appointed a temporary member of the Police Force.

MOTOR HACK LICENSE EMMANUEL ST. OMAR.

The letter and resolution of Oxford Street Methodist Church re Motor hack license Emmanuel St. Omar submitted and read meeting June 25th, is again considered and is deferred until a future meeting.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL SITE.

The report of Dr. A. F. Miller Medical Superintendent of the Nova Scotia Sanatorium Kentville, submitted at meeting July 2nd, is again read.

Thereport is ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for consideration with the Veto of His Worship the Mayor of the resolution of Council respecting the selection of the site

*Auditor
Electrician*

Chief of Police

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known as the Tramway Company's property near
Point Pleasant Park on the Shore of the eastern,
North West Arm.

BUCKINGHAM STREET.

Controller Hines reports a dangerous hole
in Buckingham Street opposite the Glove Laundry
on the north side. Referred to the City
Engineer to attend to at once.

COGSWELL STREET CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

Controller Hines reports the concrete
sidewalk on Cogswell Street between Bauer
and Creighton Streets thrown up. Referred
to the City Engineer.

COGSWELL STREET ROADWAY.

Controller Finlay reports ruts in the
roadway at the Junction of Cogswell and Got-
tingen Street. Referred to the City Engineer.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to various services
are submitted and passed and recommended to
City Council for payment, as follows:-

General Accounts.

Dr. Flinn	Certificate of Death	\$28.00
Town Planning Board	Advertising	60.28
T.C. Johnson & Son	Badges	2.00
E.M. Veith	Services	10.00
London Rubber Stamp Co.	Badges	52.50
Can. Med. Journal	Advertising	10.00
Acadian Recorder	do	13.95
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	203.05
Halifax Herald	do	12.54
T.C. Allen & Co.	Printing & Stationery.	
City Assessors		\$89.70
Treasurers		10.00
Auditor		2.80
Mayor		8.80
Clerk		33.95
		145.25

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General Accounts Con.

A & W. MacKinlay	Books	23.20
Maritime Home for Girls Maintenance		
	for Girls 1917	190.33
		<u>751.10</u>

Fire Department.

L. Clyde Davidson & Co.	Stationery	\$15.50
W.H. Isnor	Hire of Horse	40.00
John Starr & Son	Electrical	1.62
James Simmonds	Hardware	3.17
Gutta Percha Rubber Co.	Linemen's Coats	7.40
" " "	"	13.40
N.S. Furn Co.	Furnishings	292.20
David Roche	Painting	1.74
James Simmonds	Hardware	25.91
A.J. McNutt	6666 Repairs	5.50
Neil Fox	Harness	1.75
Blackadar	Advertising	4.65
Canadian Rubber Co.	Hose	1300.00
Lawrence Hardware Co.	"	1183.77
Canadian Rubber Co.	Washers	1.35
Lawrence Hardware Co.	Hardware	4.30
Brit. Fire Prevention Committee	Subscription	5.10
John McInnes	Lumber	25.90
Gutta Percha Rubber	Expansion rings	9.30
Ungar's Laundry	Laundry	19.07
N.S. Tram. Co.	Light	13.31
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	Hardware	23.10
Telephone Co.	Telephone	39.16
H. McFatriidge	Vet. Services	19.35
Imperial Oil Co.	Gasoline	10.00
National Drug Co.	Acid	15.18
Melvin & Co.	Hardware	72
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	6.27
Kline & Mullin	Caps	17.00
E. B. Eddy Co.	Paper	4.87
Imperial Oil Co.	Oil-Gas.	62.82
John Starr	Elec. sup.	70
Burns & Kelleher	Repairs to engines	14.30
Longards Ltd.	Special	
	Fillings	1.30
Hillis & Sons	Fittings	17.87
Halifax Herald	Adv.	6.27
Blackadar Bros.	"	4.65
Frank Fraser	Feed	187.67
Northern Elec.	Elec. Sup.	65.30
O.C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	19.75
		<u>\$3501.15</u>

Works Department. 1917-18

Internal Health	77.90
Sewerage	4.71

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Works Dept. Con.

City Property & Market Maintenance	106.88
Water Maintenance	17.95
Street Lighting	43 15.11
Teams & Stables	3.60
	<u>\$ 4526.15</u>

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Water Maintenance	511.44
Water Construction	88.68
Sewerage	1352.14
Streets	129.00
Internal Health	106.61
City Property & Town Clock	57.69
Teams & Stables	651.24
Street Lighting	1.00
Telephones	23.35 86.56
Market Revenue	666.90 23.35
Insurance	666.90
City Hall Lighting	66.50
	<u>\$3739.11</u>

Public Gardens.

Henry Ritchie	14.28
N.S. Tramway Co.	Light 5.92
Wm. Robertson	Lawn Mower 20.00
R.J. Farquhar & Co.	Seeds 28.52
A. L. Melvin	Hardware 95.43
United Type. Co.	Typewriter 32.50
S. C. Thompson	115.48
	<u>\$312.13</u>

Police Department.

Telephone Co.	Monthly Acct.	18.59
Halifax Herald	Advertising	6.27
do	"	6.27
do	"	6.27
do	"	6.27
Specialty Co.	Supplies	13.75
"	"	7.75
"	"	1.60
City Taxi	Service	4.00
M/S. Brown	---	1.50
Jos. Hardiman	Auto Hire	6.00
Brookfield Bros.		38
Kline & Mullins	Cap Covers	2.00
A. E. Verity	Motor Cycle	
	Repairs	15.00
Nova Motor Co.		12.29
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	35.75
E. M. McLeod		1.75
Howard McFatridge	Services	2.75
Can. Con. Rubber. Co.		94.90
" " "		10.40
Frank W. Fraser	Feed	15.52
" "	"	15.13
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	18.60
		<u>\$502.74</u>

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City Home

Wentzells' Ltd.	Groceries and	
H.L. Williston	Flour	940.70
Leonard Fisheries	Meats	556.93
Smith & Proctor	Fresh Fish	56.10
F.W. Keddy	Butter	231.21
W. Y. Kennedy	Milk	180.00
Arthur Fordham & Co.	Dry Goods	363.22
Frank W. Fraser	Leather	11.01
Buckley Coal Co.	Feed	56.31
Davis & Fraser	Coal	1169.81
N.S. Tram. Co.	Mess Pork	121.05
"	Light	20.97
"	Gas	50
The Fliechman Co.	Yeast	3.90
Hillis & Sons Ltd.	Sundry Furn.	8.30
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	3.38
T.J. Whalen & Co	Mens Clothing	
	Rubber, Sheets	150.00
S.A. Marshall & Son	Lime	14.25
Geo.E. Boake & Son	Ptr. Coke	12.75
Amherst Boot & Shoe Co.	Boots	121.50
Rhodes Curry Co.	Lumber	32.90
Brookfield Bros	Lumber Cement	3.40
Nat. Drug & Chem. Co.	Sundries	2.38
T. C. Allen & Co	Stationery	30.40
Piercey Supply Co.	Lumber	4.16
H.H. Banks	Turnips	3.00
C.E. Puttner	Dis. Medicines	50.00
Dr. Thomas	Lunacy Cert.	5.00
Dr. E. Blackadar	do	5.00
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Sundries	17.66
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising (2)	8.36
Halifax Herald Co.	do	6.27
Blackadar Bros.	do	8.15
J.H. Buchanan	Cash Expended	61.69
Salaries	Pay Sheet	913.18
		<u>\$5,172.44</u>
Chargeable to 1917-18 a/c		
T. J. Dorey		27.00

The Board adjourned.

CONTROLLER MURPHY.

CITY CLERK.

Chairman

MAYOR'S TEMPORARY OFFICE, CITYHALL,

July 5th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock present Controller Murphy (appointed chairman) and Controllers Hines and Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Enemy Aliens in Halifax.
Granite Supplies- Progress Payment.
Explosion - Repairs to City Hall.
Police Court Alterations.

ENEMY ALIENS IN HALIFAX.

Read extract from Minutes of Meeting of City Council July 4th, 1918, as follows:

"Moved by Alderman Gillis seconded by Alderman H. S. Colwell that the Board of Control be recommended to bring to the attention of the proper authorities the reports in the newspapers that alien enemies are now enjoying freedom of the City of Halifax and that there is suspicion that information may be given out by them as to the sailing from Halifax of the Hospital Ship Llandovery Castle, recently torpedoed by the Germans near the Irish Coast."

On motion of Controller Finlay, Controller Murphy is deputed to interview the Military Authorities on the subject and report.

GRANITE SUPPLIES - PROGRESS PAYMENT.

Read requisition Works Department for progress payment of \$114.75 to A.W. Yeadon on account of granite supplied for manhole tops.

The account is passed for payment.

EXPLOSION - REPAIRS CITY HALL.

Read report Assistant Building Inspector as follows:-

City Engineer's office,
July 5th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report that Mr. Walter Lowndes has been ordered by His Worship the Mayor to do the

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repair work at the City Hall, and his time and material to date is as follows-

Labor	\$112.95
Material	64.75
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	\$177.70

W. R. Fegan,
Asst. Bldg. Inspector.

The account is passed for payment.

POLICE COURT ALTERATIONS.

Read report Assistant Building Inspector, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 5th 18

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report that Mr. Walter Lownds contractor has been ordered to do repair work in the Police Court at the City Hall and that his time and material to date is as follows -

Labor	\$235.00
Material	168.41
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	\$ 403.41

W. R. Fegan,
Acting Bldg. Inspector.

The account is passed for payment.

The Board adjourned.

CONTROLLER MURPHY.

L. J. O'Malley
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 9th, 1918.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Insurance of Firemen.
North West Arm Trunk Sewer-Progress Payment.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
City Medical Officer.
Fire Prevention and Inspection of Buildings.
City Prison Supplies.
City Collectors Typewriting Machine.
Red Cross Society- City's Contribution.
Loans.
Policeman David C. Wilson.
Tuberculosis Hospital Site.
Brunswick Street Extension-Robinsons' Ltd. Property.
Policeman Arthur Pitts.
Hydra-Electric Power-Halifax Power Company.
City Fuel Yard-Coal Cars Demurrage.
Fire Department Chief's Motor Car.
Telephone Service City Hall.
Argyle, Blowers and Grafton Streets Paving.
Water Bills Discount.
Post Office Box for City Hall.
Robie Street (Longard Road) Water Extension
Heber Hartlen.

INSURANCE OF FIREMEN.

G. E. Fraser representing G. E. Fraser & Co. addresses the Board on Behalf of their tender for insurance of Firemen.

Moved by Controller Finlay that the tender of the Railway Passenger Assurance Co. at \$3.00 per year per man be accepted.

All tenders are again referred to Controller Finlay for further consideration and report.

NORTH WEST ARM TRUNK SEWER - PROGRESS PAYMENT.

Read certificate Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
July 9th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

July 9th, 1918.

I beg to recommend payment of the Cook Construction Company and Wheaton of the sum of eleven thousand nine hundred and twenty-four dollars and ten cents (\$11,924.10) on account on their contract for constructing the North West Arm Intercepting sewer from Oakland Road to Chain Rock-

Estimated value of work done	\$129,334.00
Less 10% retained	12,933.40
	<u>\$116,400.60</u>

Paid on certificates 1 to 9	<u>\$104,476.50</u>
Bal. recommended	\$ 11,924.10

The progress estimate is passed for payment.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician, as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
July 8th, 1918.

To His Worship the Mayor.
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

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

Nos. 41, 42, 45, 52, 54 and 7.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

CITY MEDICAL OFFICER.

Read reports Governor of City Prison and Secretary City Home, re visits of City Medical Officer to those institutions as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.
July 9th, 1918.

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

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report as per request of the Board of Control, re number of visits made by Dr. Almon, to City Prison during May month, as being sixteen.

Geo. Grant.

July 9th, 1918.

Office of Charities Dpt.
June 26th, 1918.

J. J. Hines, Esq.,
City Controller,
CITY.

Sir:-

In compliance with your request of 25th. inst. re City Medical Officer Almon's visits to this institution; would report as follows:

There is no record kept of visits made, but would say five visits per week. This does not include special visits, as I have known him to visit the Home twice and in some cases three times within twenty four hours.

When he has been unable to visit the Institution, he has telephoned and when we required him for any special case (either day or night) we have telephoned his office and he has responded promptly.

James O'Bryan,
Asst. Supt.

The City Clerk is directed to write the Governor of the City Prison, the Superintendent of the City Home, the Chief of Police, the Chief of the Fire Department and the Secretary of the City Health Board instructing them to keep registers in which to record daily the visits of the City Medical Officer to the institutions under their charge, with any necessary remarks the City Medical Officer to sign such registers upon each visit.

FIRE PREVENTION AND INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

The Chief of Fire Department being in attendance is requested to submit to the Board of in writing his suggestions as to the manner in which he proposes to carry out Section 32 of Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1918 relating to fire prevention and the inspection of buildings.

Governor City Prison ✓
Supt. City Home ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
Secy Health Board ✓
City Medical Officer ✓

Chief Fire Dept ✓

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CITY PRISON SUPPLIES.

The City Clerk is instructed to advertise for tenders for supply of meat and oxheads, bread and groceries for the City Prison for 6 months and 12 months periods.

CITY COLLECTOR'S TYPEWRITING MACHINE.

Read letter City Collector's as follows:-

Office of City Collector,
July 8th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
and
Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The typewriter in this office which has been in use for over six years has become practically obsolete and I would like to have your authority for the purchase of a new one. A new one would cost ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$135.00) and Underwood and they will allow FORTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$45.00) for the old one. In addition to this we require a desk and chair which will cost FORTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$44.00) so that the allowance for the old typewriter will pay for the desk and chair, something that this office has never had and which is very necessary, in order to keep machine covered and in good condition when not in use.

R. Theakston,
City Collector.

Approved

RED CROSS SOCIETY - CITY'S CONTRIBUTION.

The following resolution is submitted:

RESOLVED that the City of Halifax under authority of Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1915 and amendments contribute the sum of \$5000.00 to the Canadian Red Cross Society.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the said amount be borrowed from any bank or fund available and with the interest thereon included in the estimates for the Civic Year 1919-20.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by

Controller Hines and passed.

*Forward City Prison
adv in papers ✓*

*City Collector
City Engineer
Chas. J. Woods ✓*

Council ✓

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LOANS.

Treasurer
The City Treasurer is requested to submit a report showing all borrowings authorized and now required to be effected which were not included in the resolution passed by this Board July 4th page 323.

POLICEMAN DAVID C. WILSON.

*Deputy Mayor
Chief of Police*
Read letter Policeman David C. Wilson who was seriously injured in the explosion of December 6th stating that he has received nothing from the Relief Commission since the disaster

Referred to the Advisory Committee to take up with the Relief Commission.

In the meantime Policeman Wilson is given one month's leave of absence with full pay.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL SITE.

The City Solicitor submits draft form of agreement between the City and the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company Limited for an arbitration as to the valuation of land proposed to be taken by the City for a site for a tuberculosis hospital as follows:

THIS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT made this day of July 1918 BETWEEN The Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company Limited, a body corporate, hereinafter called the Company; of the First Part; and the City of Halifax, also a body corporate, hereinafter called the City, of the Second Part;

WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS

1. The Company agrees to sell and the City agrees to buy all that lot or parcel of land situate in the southern end of the Peninsula of Halifax, and

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described as follows-
for the price and upon the terms hereinafter set out.

2. Immediately upon the execution of These Presents, each of the parties hereto shall appoint one person to be an arbitrator to determine the price to be paid for the said land, and the two arbitrators so appointed, shall agree upon a person to be the third arbitrator, and if they are unable so to agree, the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof, may upon the application of either of the parties hereto appoint a person to be such third arbitrator.

3. The three arbitrators so appointed shall determine the price to be paid by the City to the Company for the said land; and for the purpose of such arbitration, the arbitrators shall have the powers conferred upon arbitrators by the Arbitration Act.

4. The Company agrees to sell and the City agrees to purchase the said land for a price so determined by said arbitrators, and the Company agrees to execute and deliver to the City good conveyances of the said land in fee simple free from all encumbrance, and to procure all such releases or other conveyances as may be necessary in that behalf, and the City agrees to take the said property and to pay therefor the price so determined by the arbitration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed the same by their seals and by their respective officers in that behalf.

On motion of Controller Finlay seconded
by Controller Hines the draft agreement is
approved and ordered to be forwarded to the
City Council for adoption.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by
Controller Hines that J.C. Harris be recommended
to the City Council as the City's Arbitrator.
Motion passed.

Read offer John Simon to sell to the City
a site for proposed tuberculosis hospital as
follows:-

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Halifax, N. S., July 9th, 1918.

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

Dear Sirs:-

Noticing through the Press, from time to time, that you have some difficulties in locating a site for a Tuberculosis Hospital, I may say that I have a site to offer, which I think a very desirable one for the purpose. It is located on North Kline Street and Bayers Road; measuring from north to south 800 ft, by 300 ft. deep, City water passes by, as well as, about eight minutes walk from the car line and still away from a residential district.

John Simon.

Forwarded to the City Council for its information.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION - ROBINSON'S LIMITED PROPERTY.

Read letter Robinson's Limited, as follows:-

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

City Of Halifax
Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

With reference to our claim for property taken from us for Brunswick St. extension.

The following is what the proposition means to us.

The space taken will store 100 cars	
at \$8.00 per month.	\$9600.00
Cost to erect building on this site	\$25000.00
Expenses 6% on \$25.000	1500.00
Estimated caretaker & Labor	1500.00
Estimated heating, Taxes, insur. dep. etc.,	1600.00
Estimated net revenue	4600.00
	\$5,000.00

\$5,000. capitalized at 10% would mean a business of \$50,000.00.

You ask us for our price on same, the above figures show what the property is worth to us, but taking into consideration the benefit to the City of the new street, we are willing to accept the sum of \$35,000. thirty five thousand dollars without prejudice, kindly let us hear from you at once as we are anxious to get the matter set-

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tled with as little delay as possible so we can get to work on our new building.

G. M. Robinson.

Referred to the City Engineer and City Solicitor for report as to what items making up Robinsons' limited valuation can be considered by the City.

The City Engineer is requested to also report as to the extension of Brunswick Street directly, through to Hastings Street instead of diagonally through to Doyle and Queen Streets.

POLICEMAN ARTHUR PITTS.

Read application Arthur Pitts for position of Policeman.

Pitts appears before the Board and is recommended by the Chief of Police for temporary appointment.

On motion of Controller Taylor Arthur Pitts is appointed a temporary member of the Police Force during the pleasure of the Board of Control.

HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER - HALIFAX POWER COMPANY.

Rodk. McColl appears before the board and asks that the draft form of agreement between the City and the Halifax Power Company submitted by him at a meeting of the Board held on June 28th and referred by the Board to the City Engineer, the City Solicitor and the City Electrician for report be dealt with as speedily as possible as any delay now on the City's part would handicap the Company in both its financial arrangements and its ability to carry out its undertaking

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Major F.W. W. Doane, City Engineer having recently returned from England, being in attendance at the meeting for the first time since proceeding Overseas, and the City Solicitor and the City Electrician also being present they are requested to at once discuss the proposed agreement with Mr. McColl and prepare to submit a report at the next meeting of the Board.

Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Electrician ✓

CITY FUEL YARD - COAL CARS DEMURRAGE.

Read letter Canadian Government Railways,
as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., July 2, 1918.

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

Halifax o/s--Car rental due by
Halifax City \$408.00

Referring to my letter of May 3rd and the writers conversation with Controller Murphy of date re car rental of \$408.00 on coal consigned to City of Halifax.

We are now in receipt of a communication from our Audit Dept., who are asking when settlement will be made.

Please let me have your reply by return mail and oblige.

J. McGrath,
Acting Freight Agent.

Controller Murphy informed the Board that the City had declined to pay this account of \$408.00 on the advice of Ex Mayor Martin who had stated that any delay that occurred was because of the Railway's inability to shunt the cars into proper position and was not occasioned by neglect on the City's part and that there was no reason why the City should pay the bill. Ex. Mayor Martin had undertaken

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to take the matter up with the Department and have the account withdrawn.

The City Clerk is instructed to write Mr. McGrath informing him that the Board will be pleased to discuss the matter with him at any of its meetings on Tuesday or Thursday mornings between 10 and 11 o'clock.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF'S MOTOR CAR.

Read report Fire Department Chauffer Cameron W. Wickwire re tender of Chas. Brister & Son for a Motor Car for the Chief of the Fire Department, as follows:

Halifax, July 3/18

Board of Control

Re Fire Chief's Car.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report as follows; In my opinion the McLaughlin car (Model E 6 -44) aside from the fact of having a very powerful six cylinder motor of latest design and many other good features is particularly adapted for use as a fire chief's car on account of having medium long wheel base (118 inches) medium size tires (34x4) and full cantilever rear springs. These three features combined with medium weight will give excellent results when the car is driven over rough streets, it will not pitch, twitch or shudder nearly so bad as a shorter or lighter car and it will hold the road as well as heavier cars.

C.W. Wickwire.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Taylor that the City Council be recommended to purchase a McLaughlin 6 Cylinder Motor Car at \$1900.00 from Chas. Brister & Son. said car being the nearest duplicate obtainable at the present time of the Chief's car destroyed in the explosion of December 6th.

Motion put and passed Controllers Taylor

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Hines and Murphy voting for the same and
Controller Finlay and the Deputy Mayor against
it.

TELEPHONE SERVICE CITY HALL.

Read letter City Health Board as follows:-

Office of City Health Board,
July 9th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor
& Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to call your attention to
the fact that the present telephone system is
not satisfactory for the reason that we do
not get a continuous twenty-four hour service.
It is absolutely necessary that we have a con-
tinuous service and if necessary we would
ask that a direct line be installed. We
understand that the committee room, used
very seldom, has a continuous service.

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

Controller Murphy informed the Board
that Temperance Act Inspector Tracey desired
a continuous day and night service in his office.

The City Electrician being present stated
that it is necessary that he have a continuous
service in his office because of occasional
trouble in the fire alarm system.

The City Clerk informed the Board that if
his office is not supplied with continuous tel-
ephone service he would not work in his office
after regular office hours, holidays etc.

The Whole matter of City Hall Telephone
service is referred to the City Engineer and
City Electrician to adjust.

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ARGYLE, BLOWERS AND GRAFTON STREETS PAVING.

Engineer ✓
The City Engineer is requested to report in writing on the proposition to pave Argyle, Blowers and Grafton Streets with permanent covering without a concrete foundation.

WATER BILLS DISCOUNT.

Council ✓
On motion of Controller Murphy it is decided to recommend to Council that the usual discount of 2% for prompt payment of Water bills be allowed up to December 20th, 1918.

POST OFFICE BOX FOR CITY HALL .

At the suggestion of the Acting Mayor the City Clerk is instructed to discontinue any Post Office boxes now rented by the City and to hire one large drawer for the whole City Hall service, and to instruct Randall J. McCarthy, Meter Clerk, to collect and distribute the mails in the City Hall twice daily.

(On application at the Post Office the City Clerk is informed that no P.O Drawers are at present available and that the request will be recorded on the waiting list to take its turn.)

ROBIE STREET (LONGBARD ROAD) WATER EXTENSION-
HEBER HARTLEN.

Engineer ✓
At request of the Chairman the City Engineer is instructed to report with recommendations as to Water extension to Heber Hartlens property Robie Street (Longard Road) and as to pollutionⁿ of wells complained of by him, with an estimate of cost.

The Board adjourned.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. McCarthy
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock. Present Deputy Mayor Godwin (Chairman) and Controllers Taylor, Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

HEADLINES.

Protectograph.
Young Street Straightening - Hennessey Field.
Childrens Playground on the Common.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Post Office Box for City Engineer.
Loan \$500,000.00 for Explosion Expenditure-
Loan from Relief Commission.
Oiling of Streets.
Argyle, Grafton and Blowers Streets Paving.
Gratuity \$500.00 to Widow of James Meyers.
Brunswick Street Extension - Robinsons Ltd.
Tuberculosis Hospital Site.
Policeman James Francis MacDonald.
Fire Department Bedding.
Willow Street - St. John's Presbyterian Church.
Abattior.
Fire Department - Horse to be Destroyed.
Telephone at Exhibition Fire Station.
Water Meters.
City Prison Military Prisoners.
Gas Prices.
Gun Practice.
Theft of Liquor from Inspector Tradey's Office.
~~Stene-ss-h-~~
John J. Mulroney Premises searched by Inspector Tracey.

YOUNG STREET STRAIGHTENING - HENNESSEY FIELD.

Read letter McInnis, Jenks & Lovetta as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. July 10th, 1918.

Dear Sirs:-

Referring to our letter of May 31st re part of the Hennessey Fields, so called, purchased from the City by Gerald B. Ternan in the year 1913 and the reply of the City Clerk dated June 26, 1918, we beg to say that from our instructions it appears that the City, not only agreed to purchase this property for the amount specified, but that in pursuance of said agreement the City took possession of the property in question, graded an extension of West Young Str

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through sand and allowed a church to be built on the remaining portion of the land.

Under these circumstances we cannot see that ~~the~~ matter is in any way affected by the alleged fact that the property is now in the district controlled by the Halifax Relief Commission.

We understand Mr. Doane is now in the City and he, no doubt, is familiar with the whole matter and can probably deal with it in a satisfactory way. In any event we must ask you to be good enough to reconsider the answer sent us by the City Clerk on June 26th, 1918, and we would be greatly obliged if you would deal with the question at the earliest possible moment possible.

McInnes, Jenks & Lovett.

The Chairman reported that this matter had been discussed at a conference between the Advisory Committee and the Relief Commission and that the Relief Commission expressed hearty sympathy with the proposition to improve conditions in this locality.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the necessary money \$3500.00 be borrowed under authority of the Acts of 1907 and the transaction completed.

PROTECTOGRAPH.

On motion of Controller Finlay it is decided to purchase a protectograph for the City Treasurer, for punching cheques at \$75.00 less \$15.00 allowed for the smaller machine now in use by him.

CHILDRENS PLAYGROUND ON THE COMMON.

Alderman Gillis representing the Halifax Playgrounds Commission appeared before the Board asking that permission be given the Commission to erect a public comfort station on the Common for the convenience of the playground there.

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Council ✓
It is decided to recommend to Council that the permission asked for be granted the structure to be located and erected to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, the City Engineer to apply to the Military Authorities for permission to instal the building.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. July 10th 18

To His Worship the Mayor,
And Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

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

No. 74, 75, 72, 73, 65 and 63.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Council ✓
Filed.

POST OFFICE BOX FOR CITY ENGINEER.

Engineer ✓
The City Clerk having reported that at the present there are no large boxes available in the Post Office at the present time suitable for the whole City Hall, and that they application for one has been placed on the waiting list, the City Engineer is authorized on the recommendation of the chairman to rent a letter box for his Department.

LOAN \$500,000.00 FOR EXPLOSION EXPENDITURE & LOAN FROM RELIEF COMMISSION.

The Deputy Mayor explained to the Board the proceedings at an interview between the Citys Advisory Committee and the Relief Commission as respecting finances, as a result of which it was decided to report to the City Council

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as follows:-

City Hall, July 11th, 1918.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The City Council recently decided to apply to the Minister of Finance for permission to issue bonds to the amount of \$275,000.00 for explosion repairs to school buildings. Some time ago the Relief Commission agreed to loan the City \$50,000.00 for a similar purpose and a large portion of that amount has already been obtained from them but the sanction of the Finance Department to issue bonds to cover the loan has not been applied for. In addition to the amounts required for schools the City has already borrowed from the Relief Commission for general explosion repairs the sum of \$20,000.00 and will require for Isolation Hospital \$20,000.00 Market Building \$9000.00, Works Department \$3000.00 to pay Silliker and McMahon for Fire Department \$5100.00 for City Home \$2500.00 for Works Department ~~\$3000.00~~ \$500.00 and for general purposes about \$4000.00. These items total about \$150,000.00

It is recommended that the City Treasurer apply to the Minister of Finance for permission to issue bonds for the sum of \$500,000.00 the full amount authorized by the legislation of 1918.

It is also recommended that the Relief Commission be requested to immediately advance the City the sum of \$15,000.00 to pay bills now due and accruing due and that as soon as authority to issue bonds is obtained from Ottawa the bonds for the total amount obtained from the Relief Commission be issued to them.

L. Fred Monaghan,
Secretary Board of Control.

OILING OF STREETS.

Read letter The Barrett Company Ltd. in response telephone enquiry by the City Clerk, as follows:-

St. John, N. B.,
July 8th, 1918/

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

Dear Sir:-

At the request of our Halifax Office, we take pleasure in giving you information on Road Oil.

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At present time this is a very scarce article practically impossible to get. If the same is to cover Streets which have formerly been macadamized and have a good hard surface, we could supply you with a special road Tar, to be used not from our own Plant, at a price of .16 per gallon (Imperial) in tanks and could furnish you with the necessary apparatus for applying this at a rental charge of \$30.00 per month.

We have also written our Boston Office to know if they can supply you with a Tar Oil which could be applied cold for the same class of street, but this is very doubtful as the Government have taken over the most of this product.

We thank you for the inquiry and would be pleased to give you any further particulars on request.

The Barrett Company Limited
D. B. Caritte,
District Manager.

Referred to the City Engineer for report .

ARGYLE, ERAFTON AND BLOWERS STREETS
PAVING.

Read report City Engineer F. W. W. Doane

as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
July 10th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the question of concrete foundation for the pavement on Argyle, Blowers and Erafton Streets, referred to me.

I endorse Mr. Johnston's report and may add that I consider it would be a grave mistake to omit the concrete foundation of these streets. Mr. McKendrick claims that the greatest success has been with bitulithic laid on old macadam or broken stone foundation. The officials of Glace Bay, where bitulithic was laid on broken stone foundation, have told me from time to time that they made a mistake which they should not repeat, in not adopting the foundation which we were using in Halifax.

For the reasons argued in Mr. Johnston's report, I consider that money would be saved in the long run by laying the pavement on a concrete foundation.

There is another, even stronger reason for recommending the acceptance of the Bate McMahon Maritime Company's tender, namely that they guarantee their pavement for ten years, while the Warren Paving Company guarantee theirs for five years only. With the experience of Halifax in repair work, it would be readily agreed that the ten year guaranteed pavement is much more desirable, other things being equal.

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Moved by Controller Taylor seconded by
Controller Hines that this Board refer back
without change or amendment to the City Coun-
cil for approval its report on street paving
dated July 4th, 1918 and that the City En-
gineer's report be forwarded along therewith
for the information of the Council together
with the letter of the Warren Bituminous
Paving Company relating to their tender.
Motion passed.

GRATUITY \$500.00 TO WIDOW OF JAMES MYERS.

On motion of Controller Hines it is
~~recommended~~ decided to recommend to Council
that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay
over to the widow of James Myers the sum of
\$500.00 under authority of Chapter 60 of the
Acts of 1918.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION - ROBINSONS
LIMITED.

Read letter Robineone Ltd, as follows:-

Halifax, N S. July 10/18

Halifax Board of Control.
City Hall.

Dear Sirs:-

In accordance with your request that
we submit a price on the property corner Queen
and Doyle Sts.

We wrote you showing the possibilities
the space taken would offer for this particular
business situated as it is, but in the con-
versation with some of your members the price
seems to be more than the City can afford to
pay.

We realize that the Street will be
a great benefit to the traffic between the
New Station and the north end, as the writer
is a charter member of the Civic Improvement
league whose chief aim has always been to
improve the City. We would like to meet
your committee in a friendly way and see
if a satisfactory price could be arrived at.

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We have our plans all ready to commence operations at once and would like to discuss it with you while the City council is in session on Thursday afternoon so as to get the matter settled.

G. M. Robinson, President.

The Clerk is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and to inform Robinsons Limited that the matter has been handed to the City Engineer for report.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL SITE.

Read offers to sell to the City sites for a Tuberculosis Hospital from John W. Umlah Bay St. Margaret's Road and Richard Marriott, Gieszer's Hill.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

POLICEMAN JAMES FRANCIS MACDONALD.

Read application James Francis MacDonald for position of Policeman.

On recommendation of the Chief of Police and on motion of Controller Taylor James F. MacDonald is temporarily appointed a policeman during the pleasure of the Board of Control.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BEDDING.

Tenders for beds and bedding for Fire Department are received and opened from the Nova Scotia Furnishing Company, Brander Morris & Co. T. H. & T. Francis and Gordon & Keath.

The tenders are referred to Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department for report.

WILLOW STREET - ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Engineer ✓
Robinsons Secy ✓

Council ✓

Chief of Police ✓

Cont Hines ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓

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Engineer ✓
Presbyterian Church appeared before the Board asking if plaster and other refuse from houses being repaired could be dumped in Willow Street for the purpose of grading so that the street may be taken over by the City and the sewer built to drain the church. Mr. McDonald is advised to take the matter up with the City Engineer and is informed that it is unlikely that the City will construct the sewer unless the arrangements previously outlined were made and agreed to by all the property owners.

ABATTOR.

Engineer ✓
On motion of Controller Finlay the City Engineer is instructed to report on the progress being made in the completion of the abattior interrupted by the explosion.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - HORSE TO BE DESTROYED.

Chief Fire Dept ✓
On recommendation of Controller Hines and the Chief of the Fire Department it is decided to humanely destroy an old sick horse in the Fire Department now unfit for any service.

TELEPHONE AT EXHIBITION FIRE STATION.

Relief Commission ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
On motion of Controller Hines it is decided to charge the Relief Commission for the rental of telephone at the temporary fire station on the Exhibition Grounds for the protection of the Relief houses there.

WATER METERS.

Engineer ✓
The City Engineer is authorized to purchase a 2 inch water meter and get it forwarded by express and is requested to report as to any other meters required.

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CITY PRISON MILITARY PRISONERS.

Governor Grant is requested to submit to the Board a list of all prisoners committed to the City Prison for breach of Military regulations with the dates received at the Prison, the terms of sentence and the cost to the City for their maintenance while confined there.

GAS PRICES.

The City Solicitor informed the Board that the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co. have before the Board of Public Utilities for a hearing on the 24th inst. an application to a very materially increase the price of gas to consumers.

The City Clerk is instructed to request the Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities for a copy of the Tramway Company's petition.

GUN PRACTICE.

The Mayor's Secretary reported having just received the following telephone message from Colonel Laing:

To His Worship the Mayor:-
Kindly note that firing of guns from outer defences will take place tomorrow night. Kindly notify the public.

Colonel Laing.

The Deputy Mayor is requested to notify the Public by advertisement in the newspapers.

THEFT OF LIQUOR FROM INSPECTOR TRACEY'S OFFICE.

The Deputy Mayor informed the Board that

he had seen in the newspapers a report that

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four suit cases contained liquor had been stolen from ~~the~~ Temperance Act Inspector Tracey's Office on Tuesday night 9th July inst. The matter had not been reported to him but he thought it should be enquired into at once. The Board agreed and Inspector Tracey and the Chief of Police are sent for.

The following witnesses are called and examined James, E. Lynch, Janitor City Hall, A.C. Pettipas, Assistant Secretary City Health Board, John J. Mulroney, Special Constable, E. S. Tracey Inspector, W. R. Emmerson, Electrician, Horace Kennedy, Detective.

Stenographic notes of the evidence are taken by Miss Minnie Hunter and filed in General Minute Book.

JOHN J. MULRONEY PREMISES SEARCHED BY
INSPECTOR TRACEY.

John J. Mulroney appeared before the Board complaining that Inspector Tracey had made a search of his two shops on Upper Water Street for liquor and also of his residence on Cornwallis Street without any justification and asked for protection from the Board against such proceedings.

Mr. Mulroney is advised to bring his complaint before the Board in a more formal way.

The Board adjourned.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. B. Cunningham
CITY CLERK

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this afternoon at 3.45 o'clock ; present Deputy Mayor Godwin, Chairman and Controllers Taylor, Hines, Murphy and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Brunswick Street Extension.
Fire Department Hose Loan.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION.

It is decided to recommend to Council the adoption of the following resolution drafted by the City Solicitor:

WHEREAS the line of the proposed extension of Brunswick Street to the Junction of Doyle and Queen Streets as shown on the City Official Plan would probably involve great and needless expense to the City and inconvenience to the owners of property.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Council insofar as it has power so do recind and alter the confirmation of the said line and declares that ~~the~~ the same shall not be deemed the official line for the proposed extension and direct that another line be prepared for the same.

FURTHER RESOLVED that an application be made up to the legislature at the next session thereof for legislative confirming this resolution.

FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSE LOAN.

Read report City Treasurer as follows:-

By the Acts of 1917 Cap 84 authority was given the City of Halifax to issue bonds for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department for the sum of \$2200.00 upon short term debentures.

This authority was made use of to the extent of \$500.00

Therefore Resolved that the City Treasurer be instructed to provide the balance \$1700. in the usual manner.

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

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 11th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this evening at 8.10 o'clock. Present Deputy Mayor Godwin (Chairman) and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read offer J. A. Thompson to sell the City a site for the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital as follows:-

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Mayor & City Council,
City of Halifax,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) well and duly paid, I agree to sell the property known as the Giezer Farm situated on the Dutch Village Road in the County of Halifax and now under option to me for the sum of Seven Thousand ~~Dollars~~ five hundred Dollars (\$7,500)

Said farm consists of twenty-six acres more or less.

J. A. Thompson.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Finlay that the offer of Mr. Thompson be recommended to the City Council for acceptance. Motion passed.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the Board recommend to the City Council that the Board of Control be authorized to immediately secure plans and specifications for the proposed hospital and if necessary engage the services of an architect and call for tenders for the erection of the building as soon as possible.

Also read resolution passed July 11th, 1918

July 11th, 1918.

by the Council of the Anti Tuberculosis League
as follows:

WHEREAS the Council of the Antituberculosis League is anxious to assist in every way the early erection of a hospital for tubercular patients, and

WHEREAS the City Council is favorable to the
Geizer Farm and a site for such a hospital.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the selection of this site be approved by the Council of the Antituberculosis League.

The Board Adjourned.

CITY CLERK

DEPUTY MAYOR.

CITY CLERK

DEPUTY MAYOR.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 15th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.30 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor Godwin, Chairman, and Controllers Taylor, Murphy and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Loan \$598.700.00
Fire Department Hose Loan \$1700.00
Tracey Liquor Theft.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
Brunswick Street Extension-Robinsons Ltd.

LOAN \$598.700.00

Read report City Treasurer as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
July 15th, 1918.

Dep. Mayor Ald. Godwin
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that I have received a certificate of approval from the Acting Minister of Finance for the Dominion of Canada for the following loans:

Under	\$75000.	for the construction of lateral sewers
	10000.	" " " " permanent sidewalks.
the	44700.	" " " " " Pavement.
	5000.	" " widening of streets.
First	20000.	" Water extension.
	10000.	" Public Abattoir.
Application	2500.	" Public Market.
	35000.	" erection of a Tuberculosis Hospital
	2000.	" Motor Patrol Vehicle
	6000.	" City Home Improvements.
	2500.	" Completion of Assessment Plan.
Under	\$90000.	" North West Arm Trunk Sewer.
	6000.	" Improvement of Fire Department,
the		Replacing equipment lost in explosion.
	15000.	" Replace Chemical Motor Engine-
Second		destroyed in Explosion.
	100000.	" restore and repair 18 school build-
		ings damaged in explosion.
Application	175000.	" restore and repair 5 schools very
		badly damaged in the explosion.

Total- \$598.700.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Approved and recommended to Council.

FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSE LOAN \$1700.00

Read report Trustees Sinking Funds re
Fire Department Hose Loan \$1700.00 covering
draft of resolution as follows:-

Office of Treasurer,
July 15th, 1918.

Dep. Mayor Ald. Godwin,
and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees
of the Sinking Fund held on the 12th inst. I
was instructed to offer to loan the City of
Halifax on its short term Bonds (5 years) the
balance of a sum authorized under Cap. 84 Acts
1917 for the purchase of hose for fire depart-
ment viz- \$1700.00

The rate of interest to be six per
cent, and the purchase price .98 of par.

J. J. Hopewell,
Sec. Treasurer.

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Whereas the City will receive \$1700.00
for the purpose of paying for hose for the
Fire Department authorized under Cap 84 Acts
1917.

AND WHEREAS the Trustees of the Sinking
Funds have offered to purchase City of Halifax
short term Bonds of the par value of \$1735.00
bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum
and to be repayable on the first day of July
1923 at the rate of .98 of par.

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

THEREFORE RESOLVED. that the said sum of
\$1735. be borrowed from the Trustees of the
Sinking Funds and that the City Treasurer
be and is hereby authorized to issue short
term Bonds of the City of Halifax to the said
Trustees to be dated July 1st, 1918, to be
repayable July 1st, 1923 and to bear interest
at the rate of 6% per annum.

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Discovered
On motion of Controller ~~the~~ Murphy the recommendation of the Trustees is referred back to them for further consideration as to the reate of interest and report.

TRACEY LIQUOR THEFT.

Read reports Deputy Mayor Godwin and Inspector Tracey and the Chief of Police re theft of liquor from the Inspector's office in the City Hall, as follows:-

Mayor's Office, CityHall,
July 13th, 1918.

The Board of Control.
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

is
Herewith/attac ed report of E.S. Tracey, Inspector under N. S. Temperance Act, I feel it my duty, as Acting Mayor of the City, to place this important matter before you with the recommendation that you pass the necessary resolution, attached hereto, under Sec. 151, Sub-Sec. (d) of the City Charter, with a view of having the strongest and most ridgid investigation into the matter referred to, without fear or favor, camouglage or screening of any kind.

Jno. E. Godwin,
DEPUTY MAYOR.

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Halifax, N. S. July 12th,,1918.

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

Dear Sirs:-

I beg to report to your Board that my office No. 17 in the City Hall was entered on the night of July 9th or the early morn- ing of July 10th between the hours of 10 P.M and 7 A.M. and a quantity of liquor taken, con- sisting of four large valises containing twenty or more gallons of O. P. Rum and two cases of Scotch Whiskey.

Entrance to the office havin been gained either by the transom of a false key, as the door was found open at 7 A. M. on the morning

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of the 10th, by the masons at work they reported the same to the janitor, and he in turn reported to me as soon as I came to office.

I reported the matter to the Chief of Police who is investigating the affair.

E. S. Tracey.

Office of Chief of Police,
July 13th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor & Members of the
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In obedience to the request of the Deputy Mayor to make a report in regard to the recent theft of liquor from the office of Inspector Tracey. City Hall, I beg to submit as follows:-

The following is a copy of a report or complaint made to me by Inspector Tracey:-

"Halifax, N. S., July 10th, 1918.

"Mr. Frank Hanrahan,
Chief of Police.
City.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to report that my office No 17 in the City Hall was entered last night between the hours of 10 P.M. and 7 A.M. this morning by some person or persons unknown to me, and the following liquors are missing, 4 new valises containing five gallons each of O.P. Rum and 2 cases King George Whiskey.

Entrance being gained to office either by transom or a false key as the door was open at 7 o'clock this morning.

Kindly investigate and oblige,

E.S. Tracey,
N.S. Temperance Act Inspector.

Learning from an outside source that a quantity of liquor had been seized in Dartmouth by Chief of Police MacKenzie, yesterday, accompanied by Detective Kennedy, I visited the Town Hall of Dartmouth and later the residence of Chief MacKenzie. I found at Mr. McKenzie's house two suit cases and twelve tins of rum. Mr. McKenzie then accompanied us to the vacant house in the north end of Dartmouth where he had located the liquor. I found two wooden cases which, apparently, had been the receptacles for "King George" whiskey, as the name of that brand was printed on them. We took the suit cases, the rum and the empty boxes to Halifax,

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where they were later identified by Inspector Tracey as the receptacles which had been taken from his office. In consequence of other information from sources which it is not in the public interest to disclose, we have arrested Clarence Horton for the theft of the good in question and Horton will be tried in the Police Court in the usual way.

Frank Hanrahan,
Chief of Police.

The following resolution drafted by the City Solicited is submitted:-

WHEREAS on the night of Tuesday the 9th day of July instant certain liquor in the custody of the Temperance Act Inspector for the City of Halifax was stolen from his office in the City Hall, Halifax.

AND WHEREAS such theft in the opinion of the council reflects upon the good government of the City and charges have been made by the public press reflecting upon the Council and the officials of the City in connection with the same.

WHEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Council request His Honor the Judge of the County Court for District number one to institute an inquiry in respect to the foregoing matter under the authority of Section 151 of the City Charter.

The resolution is adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for approval.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read letter of J. Graham Johnson, as follows:-

Kentville, N. S.,
July 12th, 1918.

Deputy Mayor Godwin,
City Hall, Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

In reference to the erection of the Tuberculosis Hospital for the City of Halifax, I should like to bring myself before the notice of your committee offering my services as Architect for the work.

I was sent as Superintendent of Works last summer to Kentville by the Military Hospitals Commission and have been since then at the Sanatorium supervising the extensive additions and alterations to the plant.

I was an Architect for fifteen years, previous to my going to France and being invalided home, and for the last year have made a study of T. B. buildings and equipment which I have been able to do very thoroughly here at the Sanatorium where there are 900 patients in all stages of T.B. and consider myself a

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specialist in this type of Hospital work.

Dr Miller mentioned by name to Mayor Hawkins when he was in Halifax loosing at likely sites, I shall be glad if you will refer to him or to the Hon. E.H. Armstrong, Commissioner for Works and Mines. Dr. Miller is the Superintendent of the Nova Scotia Sanatorium.

I shall be glad to come up to Halifax to call on you at any time if you will favor me with an appointment.

J. Graham Johnson.

Ordered to be acknowledged and filed.

Read report Deputy Mayor as follows:-

Mayors Office, Halifax, N. S.,
July 13th, 1918.

To
The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

In compliance with the request of Council of the 11th, inst., for a committee appointed to confer with the Halifax and Massachusetts Relief Commission, regarding the Tuberculosis Hospital, I beg to make the following report of progress:-

First:- Having made arrangements with Mr. Thompson, and City Solicitor Bell, re having the title of the Geizer property ~~also~~ searched, with a view of seeing that the title is clear and making preparations for the completion of the purchase.

Second:- Having met Chairman Rogers and Secretary Bell of the Halifax Relief Commission, regarding plans and specifications for the building of the proposed hospital, with the following results:-

The Chairman has consented to have the plans and specifications prepared at actual cost to the City. This will be completed in about ten days and we will then be in a position to call for tenders for building.

It was also decided that in the preparation of said plans, etc., Messrs Dr. Hattie, Dr. Miller and City Engineer Doane be a consulting Advisory Committee to work with the Architect.

Third:- It was decided to leave the matter of interview with the Massachusetts Committee until a future date, as Mr. Pearson, Chairman is out of town.

Jno. E. Godwin,
DEPUTY MAYOR.

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Council ✓
The Deputy Mayor is requested to telegraph or telephone to Dr. A. F. Miller Kentville, Sanatorium asking him to come to Halifax today or as soon as possible to confer with Dr. Hattie and others of the Committee re plans for the proposed Hospital.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION - ROBINSONS LTD.

Read letter Robinsons Ltd. re land for the extension of Brunswick Street, (covering rough sketch) as follows:-

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

Halifax Board of Control.

City Hall.

Dear Sirs:-

As requested by your committee at this afternoons meeting of City Council that we submit our final price on the property corner Queen and Doyle Sts.

We ~~take~~ will take \$10,000 cash and a 35 foot lot in rear of our building when the property is transferred to the City by the Military.

We make this offer without prejudice after going carefully into the matter as this corner property for our business is the best location in the City for a garage and we could not buy as good a site in the City for less money.

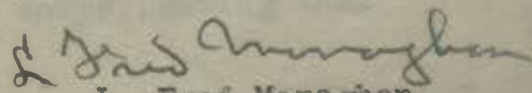
G. M. Robinson, President.

The City Engineer suggests an alteration in the proposed line of extension which would require taking of only a small portion of the Robinson property.

The Board decides to immediately proceed ~~with~~ to the spot to view the land and if necessary to interview Geo. M. Robinson and hold a further meeting of the Board upon their return to the City Hall.

The Board adjourns.

Jno. E. Godwin
DEPUTY MAYOR.


L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITYAHL, L.

July 15th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this afternoon at 4.30 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor Godwin, Chairman, and Controllers Hines, Taylor, Murphy and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Brunswick Street Extension-Robinsons Ltd
Tracey Liquor Theft.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION -ROBINSONS LTD.

The City Engineer submits an alternative plan for the extension of Brunswick Street through property of Robinsons Ltd. whereby the proposed extension may be made by taking from them a small jib only instead of the larger portion shown on the original plan proposed by the Acting City Engineer, as follows:-

City Engineer's office,
July 15th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on papers submitted to me in reference to the proposed extension of Brunswick Street through the military property to Queen Street, which, as shown on plan #2570 on file in the City Engineer's office, involves the taking of a piece of land from Robinsons Limited.

At the meeting of Council held on the sixth day of June 1918 a resolution was passed, instructing the City Engineer to place the proposed street extension on the official City plan.

Messrs. Robinsons Limited, on negotiation, have submitted a proposal asking \$35,000 for the property involved; subsequently, under date July 11th, 1918 they offer to take \$10,000 for it. In my opinion it is not necessary to locate the street so that it will take so much of their land, and I have made an alternative plan, which will take, roughly, about 1200 feet of their land in jib shape, leaving them

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a rectangular property and giving a satisfactory location for the street.

A sketch of the property showing the proposed change, is attached. Also is a letter dated today from Robinsons Limited, offering ~~this~~ ^{41st} this jib piece of land for \$1000. or the whole land ~~as the~~ originally involved, as shown on plan #2570 for \$8000.

I would recommend that as the requirements of the City would be served satisfactorily, their offer of the jib land for \$1000. be accepted; that notice be given to rescind the resolution of the 6th day of June 1918 and that a resolution be then passed, adopting the amended plan. The City Solicitor sees no objection to this course. The street has not yet been laid down on the Official Plan by the City Engineer. The amended plan is #4241.

F. W. W. Doane,
CITY ENGINEER.

As the result of the suggestion of the City Engineer and the conference held on the ground between George M. Robinson, the members of the Board and the City Engineer it is decided to recommend to Council that the alternative plan of the City Engineer be adopted and that the City pay Robinsons Ltd. \$1000.00 for the jib lot proposed to be acquired.

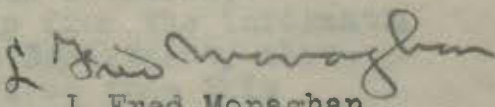
TRACEY LIQUOR THEFT.

The draft resolution re theft of liquor from Temperance Act Inspector Tracey's office as shown in minutes of this mornings session of the Board Page 360 is approved and ordered to be forwarded to the Council for adoption.

The Board adjourned.

Jno. E. Godwin.

DEPUTY MAYOR


L. Fred Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 16th, 1918.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.20 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor Godwin, Chairman and Controllers Hines, Finlay, Murphy Taylor.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Coal Weighers Report for June, 1918
Repairs to City Buildings-Tenders.
Insurance of Soldiers Petition to Government.
City Electrician's Salary.
Specifications for Printing, Stationery,
Blank Books, etc.
Taxation of Properties in Devastated Area.
Explosion Accounts.
City Prison Supplies-Tenders.
Fire Department Bedding-Tenders.
Chesbucto Road Dangerous Condition.
High Service Water Supply.
Hydro-Electric Power-Halifax Power Company.

COAL WEIGHERS REPORT FOR JUNE. 1918.

Read report Coal Weighers for the month of June showing each man to have received \$52.67.
Filed.

TAXATION OF PROPERTIES IN DEVASTATED AREA.

The City Assessor appears before the Board and submits letter, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S. July 16/18

To His Worship the Mayor and
Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to advise you that none of our Tax Bills for the devastated area, or for the buildings condemned have been rendered.

A statement made up from the information furnished by the Engineer's Department, showing the amount of Taxes derived from this area, has been filed with the Auditor, as per instructions from His Worship the Mayor.

We have had requests from the Taxpayers of this section for their bills. The instructions I want it this; Am I to send out the bills for these properties as usual?

P.J. McManus

City Assessor.

July 16th, 1918.

The City Assessor is requested to issue bills when they are asked for, but otherwise to withhold them until instructed by this Board.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - TENDERS FOR BEDDING.

Read report Chief of Fire Department as follows:-

Office of Chief Fire Department,
July 15/18

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that I have gone over the tenders for bedding carefully and I find as follows;

Nova Scotia Furnishing Co.	\$934.20
Brander & Morris & Co.	931.80
T.H. & T. Francis	887.56
Gordon & Keith	874.18

I would recommend that the tender of Gordon & Keith being the lowest tender received be accepted.

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

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Finlay that the tender of Messrs. Gordon & Keith for \$874.18 being the lowest be recommended to the City Council for acceptance. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR PRINTING, STATIONERY, BLANK BOOKS, & ETC.,

Read specifications for tenders for printing, stationery, blank books, & etc., submitted by the City Clerk.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the forms of specifications submitted by the City Clerk be approved and the Clerk instructed to advertise for tenders thereon. Motion passed.

Assessor ✓
Auditor ✓
Collector ✓
Council ✓

Council ✓

Adv in newspapers ✓

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EXPLOSION ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Auditor, as follows:-

Office of City Auditor,
July 13th, 1918.

L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq.,
CITY CLERK.

Dear Sir:-

Hereto attached please find statement
of bills chargeable to the Halifax Relief
Commission, totalling \$6,945.51

W.W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR

Also read correspondence between ~~His Worship~~
and His Worship the Mayor and the
~~and~~ the City Clerk and City Auditor on the same
subject, as follows:-

Office of City Clerk,
June 4th, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

The very great financial considerations involved as regards the losses of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Halifax in the explosion of December 6th, 1917 demand in my opinion that some one person be assigned the duty of obtaining and adequately tabulating all possible data for the adjustment of the City's interests. There is no doubt that the officials in the various Civic Departments are keeping record of the expenditures incurred for both temporary emergency repairs and rehabilitation, but I consider a more accurate and precise survey by one competent person who with a general knowledge of the character of claims to be made up and with a broader field of experience gained through consultation with the various officials of the City Service would be in a position to advise the City as to the amounts of our financial losses than we can obtain under present conditions. There is a chance that lapse of time will involve lapse of memory and that may legitimate items may be neglected unless a spur is applied.

For instance, the Board has from time to time since the explosion considered the matter of the loss of taxes in the devastated area and beyond it. For the proper care of this item alone, it would appear to me that special con-

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sideration and qualifications are necessary in preparing the City's claim.

I take the liberty of suggesting that your Worship may be pleased to consider the advisability of appointing some one person to go thoroughly into the matter of the City's losses of all kind, including the School Board and City Health Board properly collate and segregate the necessary data and keep the same ready at all time for your Worship's inspection until the work is completed and he is ready to make a final report.

Our losses amount to many hundreds of thousands of dollars. The employment of suitable assistance would cost but a trifling percentage and would be properly chargeable to the account.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S. June 5th/18

W.W. Foster, Esq.,
City Auditor,
CITY HALL.

Dear Sir:-

It has been brought to my attention that the financial considerations involved by the losses sustained by the City of Halifax in the explosion of December 15th, 1917 an account of which and all data therewith should be tabulated, and the accounts properly collated and segregated in the interest of the City.

I have decided that you are the official most eminently fitted to undertake this work. Due consideration should be given to the matter of loss of taxes in the devastated area, and the properties in the surrounding area neighborhood.

I wish to take this matter up at once, by consultation with the various officials. You should keep in touch with the School Board and secure all the data possible, regarding the losses sustained by that body, also the City Health Board.

A.C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

At the request of the Board the City Clerk and Controller Murphy are requested to consult with the City Auditor as to the tabulation of the accounts according to the different Departments by which they were incurred.

Controller Murphy ✓
Auditor ✓
City Clerk ✓

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SALARY CITY ELECTRICIAN.

At the request of the Board of Control the
City Auditor submits the following letter:-

Halifax, N. S. July 13/18

L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq.,
CITY CLERK.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to your request, dated 12th
inst., would say that the City Electrician has
drawn a monthly salary of \$166.66 less \$6.66
(Superannuation) or \$160.00

W. W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

Deferred.

TENDERS FOR EXPLOSION REPAIRS TO CITY
BUILDINGS.

Tenders for repairs to several City Build-
ings damaged by the explosion are received and
opened, as follows:-

S.A. Marshall & Son...	City Home plus 25% of cost.
do	Incinerator do
do	City Prison do
Holmes & McDonald.	Public Schools plus 15% "
D. G. Stewart,	all City Buildings plus 12% of cost.

The tender of Holmes and McDonald contained
no cheque, as required by specification.

The tenders are referred to the City En-
gineer for report. The cheques enclosed with
tenders are handed over to the City Treasurer.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES FOR CITY PRISON.

Tenders for supplying groceries, meat,
bread, etc for the City Prison are received
and opened from the following:-

W.I. Hubley & Co.	Groceries
J.J. Scriven & Son.	Bread
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries.

Referred to Controller Taylor and the Gov-
ernor of the City Prison for report.

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INSURANCE OF SOLDIERS - PETITION TO
GOVERNMENT.

Read circular letter City of Hamilton, Ont.
re insurance of soldiers, as follows:-

Hamilton, Ont., July 5th, 1918.

To

The City Clerk of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Council of the
City of Halifax to ask your municipality to
join this City in a petition to the Governemtn
to take such steps as are necessary to provide
insurance and protection for the dependents of
Canadian Soldiers including volunteers and
draftees for overseas. service.

Please find enclosed form of petition
for use in the event of your Council approving
of the same, Petitions should be transmitted
to Rodolphe Boudreau, Esq., Clerk of the Privy
Council, Ottawa, Ontario.

S.H. Kent,
City Clerk.

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

CHEBUCTO ROAD-DANGEROUS CONDITION.

Controller Taylor complained of the dan-
gerous condition of Chebucto Road, near the
North West Arm bridge.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention

HIGH SERVICE WATER SUPPLY.

The Deputy Mayor reports that complaints
have been made to him of the lack of Water
supply in the localities near the reservoir
caused by the waste of water by allowing the
hydrants to be turned on and off at the differ-
ent construction camps in the section, and
also by the Fire Department drawing water from it.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

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HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER- HALIFAX POWER COMPANY.

Controller Murphy asked the Board to clear up the matter between the Halifax Power Company and the City, re Hydro-Electric Power, as speedily as possible.

The City Engineer being present is instructed to request Mr. McColl representing the Power Company to come to his office and discuss the various phases of the proposed agreement between the City and the Company.

The Board adjourned.

100 Maynard Street,
Halifax, N.S.
Police Department - Superintendent Deputy
Chief Clarence A. MacFarlane,
Robt. Ernest - Street Sprinkling,
Office of Records,
Craigston Street - Dangerous Chimneys,
Water Bill - Water Office - 100 Maynard St.
Magistrate - 100 Maynard St.
Insurance Act - 100 Maynard St.
Fire Protection - 100 Maynard St.
Loans for various purposes,
Police Street Shop in Residential District,
Almon Street - Division of Snow-Louis Caplanish,
Repairs to City Buildings.

*sgt An Langdon
acting Secretary*

J. E. Godwin,
DEPUTY MAYOR.

Her basement at property 121 South Park Street
was found of Control. Minutes May 21st, June 5th
and June 16th, 1918-Mrs. G. M. Harvey appears
before the and addresses the Board requesting
that the matter be referred and her claim
allowed.

Referred to the City Solicitor and City
Engineer for further report.