

Council
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Halifax Relief Explosion Fund

Alderman Clarke advised that he added the item as a result of recent statements in the press by two local Members of Parliament. Alderman Clarke suggested that Council might indicate its support for their attempts to have the pensions increased for the remaining 52 pensioners.

His Worship advised that he spoke with Mr. Cooper this day and noted that Mr. Cooper introduced a motion to allow a Private Members Bill to have the fund pay additional pensions to remaining pensioners. His Worship said he was informed there is \$1.3 million in the Halifax Relief Explosion fund and it has been found that such an amount of money, if invested, would yield 71% of the pension to which persons were eligible for war-inflicted injuries.

Further discussion ensued and Alderman Clarke asked if it would be possible to receive more information by next Wednesday in order that Council would not lose sight of the item.

His Worship indicated he did not think further information would be available by Wednesday saying that Mr. Cooper said he would obtain a statement from the fund and forward it to the Mayor.

Following a further short discussion, Council agreed to wait until receipt of the report from Mr. Cooper and His Worship advised that upon its receipt, he would make arrangements to have it circulated to members of Council.