

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, ANNAPOLIS, M.D.

In the Municipal Council, Annual Session, 1891.

The Councilors elect for the Municipality of the County of Annapolis met at the Court House, Annapolis, on Tuesday, the 15th day of January, 1891, at 10 o'clock a.m.

All the ballot-boxes being in and returns complete, the following were declared Councilors for the term of two years, viz:

- 1. RESS BAKER, JOHN HAWKINS, ANSELY ELLIOTT, JAMES RUSSELL ELLIOTT, ALBERT VILITO, GEORGE LEVITT, SAMUEL W. W. PICKUP, DANIEL COOPER, Wm. C. HEALY, JAS. J. REITH, WALTER A. FOWLER, JOHN SMITH, OLIVER McNEELY, WILLIAM TOWERS, JOHN J. BUCKLEY.

All the Councilors were sworn into office. The Councilors proceeded to the election of Warden, where James P. Roop was unanimously elected Warden for the term of two years.

O. J. Healds was unanimously appointed Clerk for the term of two years. J. R. Hart was unanimously appointed Treasurer for the term of one year.

Resolved, That Councilor Vilito be Deputy Warden. Ordered, That Councilors Pickup, Ritchie and Vilito be a committee to appoint Standing Committee.

Ordered, That Fred Levitt and Robert Fitzhugh be Auditors for the ensuing year, with salary as heretofore. The Warden and Clerk were then sworn into office.

The minutes of the semi-annual session 1890 were read and approved. On motion adjourned.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON. Council met at 2 o'clock. All Councilors present. Minutes read and approved.

Upon hearing the report of the Auditor, the same was on motion received and adopted. The following is the report:

To the Warden and Councilors of the Municipality of the County of Annapolis: We, the undersigned Auditors, being duly sworn as per affidavits on record, marked "A," beg leave to report that we have thoroughly examined the vouchers properly compared and checked the vouchers received therefor, do find the same correct, and to agree with the statements hereon annexed, and showing a balance in the Treasurer's hands, at the close of Dec. 31st, 1890, of \$1,117.75, which amount was then on deposit in the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Statement "B" annexed shows general account of Treasurer for year 1890, and Statement "C" annexed shows Consolidated Account for year 1890. We find claims against the Municipality outstanding and unpaid at Dec. 31st, 1890, as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Presentment 1888 (\$814.00), Presentment 1889 (\$45.48), Presentment 1890 (\$170.02), Schools 1890 (\$291.40), Jury Wages 1890 (\$59.92), Jury Wages 1889 (\$29.90), Orders of Council 1890 (\$28.03).

LAIRS: H. H. Chute, \$810.00; J. F. Roop, \$400.00; S. W. W. Pickup, \$1,000.00; Ansy Elliott, \$500.00. Total \$2,622.75. We find balances due by Collectors as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Ward, Amount. Includes Ward 4 (\$850.00), Ward 5 (\$148.08), Ward 6 (\$29.40), Ward 7 (\$1.48), Ward 8 (\$116.72), Ward 9, 1890 (\$1.84), Ward 10, 1888, 29.09, Ward 10, 1889, 6.14, Ward 15, 90.08. Total \$1,411.18.

It affords us much pleasure to state that the books of the Clerk, and the books and accounts of the Treasurer, which we have kept in a plain and satisfactory manner, with all vouchers systematically numbered and filed. Respectfully submitted, FRED LEVITT, ROBERT FITZHUGH, Auditors.

Sworn to at Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, this 15th day of January, A. D. 1891, before me, Geo. MURDOCH, J. P.

General Account of Treasurer for year ending December 31st, 1890. Bal. from Dec. 31, 1889, \$1,322.90. Collectors, year 1889, 18.78. Collectors, year 1890, 16,743.72. Ansy Elliott, loan, 500.00. Total, 18,994.40.

On motion adjourned. WEDNESDAY MORNING. Council opened at half-past ten o'clock. All Councilors present.

Minutes read and approved. Ordered, That the Councilors on Tenders and Public Property be authorized to confer with the owners of Allen Creek Dyke, and take immediate steps to protect the public highway.

Ordered, That the resolution passed at the January Session, 1890, relating to the appointment of Supt. Magistrates, be rescinded. Upon hearing the report of C. W. Nelly and others, asking for the opening of a new road from the Messenger road near Inglin Nelly's direct to the Meadowvale road, forming a direct continuation of the Spiny road from East Detroit, he was ordered that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that a committee be appointed to inquire into the propriety and necessity of opening said road.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the claim of Mr. Jas. McKay against the Municipality, and if by legal means desirable to arrange the same with Mr. McKay. Committee: Councilors E. Elliott, Shafer, Clarke, Cronin, and Hawker.

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Upon reading the report of H. M. Irvine, Inspector to enforce the Soot Act, on motion the same was received and adopted.

Ordered, That H. M. Irvine be continued as Inspector for enforcing the Soot Act for the ensuing year at the same salary as heretofore.

Upon hearing the report of the committee on Road Returns, the same was on motion received and adopted.

The following is the report: To the Warden and Councilors of the Municipality of Annapolis: We, your committee appointed to examine and report upon road returns, beg leave to state that we have examined the returns of the various Wardens, and find that while those of a considerable number of Wards appear very satisfactory, the same cannot be said of many others. We are surprised to learn that No. 10 is at some disadvantage in getting their returns into the hands of the Ward Clerk. The smaller Wards are not laboring under the same disadvantage.

The law requires that every surveyor of highways, or commissioner of streets, shall file his report with the Clerk of the Municipality at least twenty days before the meeting of the Council. This requirement of the law has been neglected by several Wards, from the fact that we have at this time no returns from some Wards, where others have returned theirs.

This is a matter which should be remedied as soon as possible. It is our duty to see that a bad road over which their property runs is better repaired than a good one. It is really a tax upon your property, and it is our duty to see that it is paid in full. We believe, however, that you will not mind taking any steps to bring the foregoing matters to the attention of the Council.

Resolved, That the salaries of the Clerk and Treasurer be the same as for the preceding year. Upon hearing the petition of J. W. Beckwith and others, asking that a new road be opened near Douglas Station, beginning at the railway station and running on the north side of the W. & A. Railway to the works of the International Brick and Tile Company, he was ordered that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that a committee be appointed to inquire into the propriety and necessity of laying out said road.

Resolved, That James Mackay be heard before the laborer does leave suitably, in reference to his claim against the Municipality. Ordered, That the claim of the Municipality against the bondsmen of John Harker, Charles Cronin, and Hawker, be placed by the Warden in course of collection.

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON. Council met at 2 o'clock. All Councilors present.

Minutes read and approved. Upon reading the petition of William H. Burns and upwards of twenty others, from the holders of the county, praying for the opening of a new road northward of J. B. Reed's factory and George Hoy's property...

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. W. BECKWITH.

NEVER before during my business experience has the market opened so favorably for the retail purchase. Over-production, coupled with the unusual uncertainty of the demand, and a general apathy in business circles, has forced numerous manufacturers to unload at a large sacrifice.