

CITY OF PROVIDENCE

RHODE ISLAND

WILLIAM E. MCCABE

CITY SOLICITOR

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GUERRINO A. BROSCO

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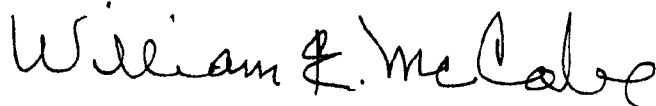
January 23, 1957.

To the Honorable the Members of the
City Council,
City Hall,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit to you the bonds of
Michael N. Cardarelli, City Treasurer, and James M.
Gordon, City Collector, both of which have been approved
by me as to form.

Very truly yours,



CITY SOLICITOR

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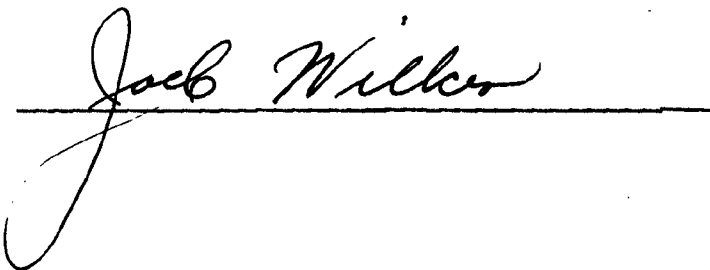
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IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 7 - 1957

READ: *and Bond approved*

Received of City Clerk above listed Bonds
February 12, 1957





CITY OF PROVIDENCE • RHODE ISLAND • Walter H. Reynolds • Mayor

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

D. Everett Whelan
City Clerk

CITY HALL

Vincent Vespa
First Deputy
William E. McWilliams
Second Deputy

January 28, 1957

To the Honorable the City Council
of the City of Providence

Honorable Dear Sirs:

The undersigned presents the report of moneys received and credited his Department and returnable to the City Collector for the quarter ended December 31, 1956, viz:

October 1, 1956 through December 31, 1956

	Number		Amount
Trade Names	108	\$	27.00
Notary Fees	153		38.25
Hunting Licences	52		13.00
Fishing Licences	2		.30
Certified Copies	24		12.00
Special Certified Copy	1		.90
Physicians Registration	2		1.00
Itinerant Vender Licence	1		350.00
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	Total	\$	442.45

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Everett Whelan
City Clerk

IN CITY COUNCIL

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Office of the Port Agent -- Harbor Master

James J. Fisher
Port Agent
Harbor Master

CITY HALL

January 30, 1957

From: Harbor Master
To: The Honorable City Council
Subject: Harbor Master's report for the three months beginning October 1, 1956 and ending December 31, 1956.

NUMBER OF VESSELS ARRIVED

Steamers	129
Tug Boats	79
Schooner	1
Destroyers	10
Motor Vessels	98
Barges	46
Brigantine	1
Submarine	1
Total	<u>365</u>

Bituminous	215,109	Tons
Gasoline	446,585	"
Oil	630,196	"
Frozen Fish	1,151	"
Chemicals	4,000	"
Codfish (not frozen)	129	"
Fish Skin	32	"
Cod Liver Oil	4,200	"
Tar	8,776	"
Asphalt	1,000	"
A.B.C. Stock	21,642	"
Canned Blueberries	57	"
Lumber	9,927	"
Zinc	7,559	"
Fish Meal	43	"
Total	<u>1,350,406</u>	"

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Everett Whelan
CLERK

Very truly yours,

James J. Fisher
JAMES J. FISHER
PORT AGENT - HARBOR MASTER



Peter J. Hicks, Jr.
Public Service Engineer

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CITY OF PROVIDENCE • RHODE ISLAND • Walter H. Reynolds • Mayor

Office of the Public Service Engineer

112 Union St. Providence 3, R. I.

February 4, 1957

Mr. D. Everett Whelan
City Clerk, City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Whelan:

I enclose herewith, the bill of the Narragansett
Electric Company for the Street Lighting of the City of
Providence, for the month of January, 1957.

The total net amount of the bill is \$39,727.77.

Yours very truly,

PJH, JR:tm
Enc:


PETER J. HICKS, JR.
PUBLIC SERVICE ENGINEER

IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 7 - 1957

APPROVED:


D. EVERETT WHELAN
CITY CLERK

*Sent to Controller
February 8, 1957*

January 31, 1957.

Mayor Walter H. Reynolds
Executive Chambers
City Hall

Dear Mayor

During the fiscal year 1955-56 the office of the Recorder of Deeds received for record 19,300 documents including 118 Military Discharges for which no fee was charged. Fees charged, then, for 19,182 documents amounted to \$61,517.25.

Total expenses for the same period were \$72,349.75 including \$10,855.75 for extraordinary non-recurring expenses. These included the installation of air-conditioning in our Land Record room and the purchase of eight modern index case assemblies.

The ordinary budgetary expenses of the office amounted to \$61,494 or slightly less than the actual receipts for the fiscal year.

Much progress has been made during the past fiscal year in the modernization of our office. Most of the office furniture has been replaced by modern steel desks and more adequate chairs and other facilities. Great strides have been made in the rebinding of our record books, and hundreds of others are currently being rebound and repaired.

I have been greatly encouraged by the sympathetic understanding and budgetary cooperation of Mayor Reynolds and the fiscal officers of his administration, in my goal of a modern and efficient record office.

I have, however, two further recommendations at this time for your approval.

The first of these is a stamp tax on the purchase price of real estate, similar to that which is presently assessed by the Federal Government. This plan is now in effect in our neighboring State of Massachusetts, and been eminently successful as a source of revenue, without laying an undue burden on the general public.

Mayor Walter H. Reynolds - 2.

The proposal would be a state tax, which would be earmarked for the Town or City which collects such a revenue.

At present, transactions involving high sums of money are recorded here, with only the assessment of a nominal recording fee, regardless of the amount of money involved. Our Probate Courts at present assess fees according to the size of the estate, but our fees are fixed according to the length of the document, i.e. the cost of recording the same.

Another proposal to which I invite your consideration, relates to the filing of Conditional Sales Contracts.

At the present time there is no statutory provisions relating to the recording or filing of such documents and in the absence of such authorization, we have consistently refused to accept such documents for record. However, at present neither the conditional vendor nor an innocent purchaser for value of personal property is adequately protected against fraud by the person possessing such a chattel. Without statutory legislation there is also the further question of the validity of such public notice of said transaction, even if it were accepted for record.

In order to cure such a defect in our recording statutes and to protect interested parties, I would recommend that suitable legislation be enacted which would give complete and adequate protection to an innocent purchaser for value against the claim of a conditional vendor, unless and until said conditional sales contract be filed in the office of the Town or City Clerk or the Recorder of Deeds, if there is one, within five days of the date of the execution of such contract, in the Town or City in which the conditional vendee shall reside, if in this State, and if the conditional vendee shall reside outside this State, then in the Town or City where said chattel be located.

The filing of such contract must constitute constructive notice to all parties at interest, and should be effective for a term not to exceed two years, unless renewed by the filing of a supplemental conditional sales contract. If this indicated procedure is followed out, such contract would expire automatically within two years and it would not be necessary to discharge the same, and all contracts beyond that date could be destroyed and in that manner create no filing problem. A nominal fee of \$2.00 is deemed adequate for the filing and indexing thereof.

I earnestly submit the above recommendations for your considered study.

Meanwhile, you may be assured that the work of the office continues apace.

Mayor Walter H. Reynolds -3-

Jan. 31, 1957

We are presently awaiting the removal of some 500 record books into State custody and the substitution therefor of microfilm copies thereof.

Index work continues to occupy much of our attention--not only are we occupied at this time with the composition of several yearly indices but also a five year consolidated real estate grantors index which will be on our shelves this spring.

We hope to be able to apply the efforts of two of our clerks exclusively to this work in order that fewer books need be consulted when examining a real estate title.

You may be assured that I will continue to strive for that most desirable of all goals -- a complete and accurate record.

Respectfully submitted

Edward M. Shanahan

Recorder of Deeds.

Copy to City Council

IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 7 - 1957

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Everett Whelan
CLERK

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

At an executive session of the School Committee of the City of Providence held January 28, 1957, the following resolution was adopted:

, Resolution No. 94

RESOLUTION approving site of land for school building.

RESOLVED, That the School Committee hereby approves for the site of the new elementary school in the Joslin Park area the land described in "Plat Plan of site for Joslin Street School," consisting of the following lots in Assessor's Plat 63:

226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 132, 233, 234, 235,
236, 237, 338, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 378

and that part of Joslin Street which runs through the area. The school is to be part of a combined school-recreational facility. Its construction was recommended to the City Council in Resolution 514, adopted January 23, 1956.

and be it further

RESOLVED, That it is agreed that the Recreation Department of the city shall pay all expenses incurred by it in the operation of the plant for recreational purposes and that the School Committee shall pay all expenses incurred by it in the operation of the plant for school purposes.

Respectfully submitted for the School Committee,

James H. Foley
Secretary.

IN CITY COUNCIL

FEB 7 - 1957

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Robert Whelan
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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON

CLAIMS AND PENDING SUITS

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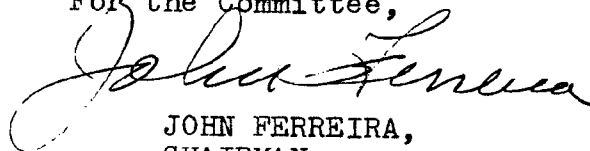
TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

GENTLEMEN:

Your Committee on Claims and Pending Suits respectfully reports relative to the number of cases in which settlements were recommended for the quarter ended December 31, 1956. Your Committee has recommended settlement in thirty-eight cases.

Respectfully submitted,

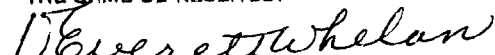
For the Committee,


JOHN FERREIRA,
CHAIRMAN

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

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John Hulme (collision)	290.00
Henry H. Briar (collision)	50.30
Dante DiPalma (collision)	50.68
Vincent Polisena (collision)	48.00
Mareno A. DeLisi (collision)	76.73
Helen McManus (highway)	150.00
William R. McVey (collision)	93.88
R.O. Arsenault (collision)	8.12
Gennarino De Siderato (collision)	205.00
Joseph De Giulio (collision)	92.90
Patricia Minecci (collision)	11.02
Elizabeth Rose (collision)	195.60
Nannie R. Loebenberg (sidewalk)	70.00
John Prato (collision)	50.00
Edith Hirst (sidewalk)	325.00
Frank Altieri (collision)	170.78
Frank Cribari (collision)	100.00
Benjamin Petrone (property)	200.00
John G. & Frieda Messineo (collision)	400.00
William Waters (collision)	50.00
Edith W. Hughes (sidewalk)	450.00
Ruth P. Walsh (sidewalk)	575.00
Marion E. Anderson (highway)	100.00
Ann Larvin (sidewalk)	1000.00
Wilfred C. Plante (collision)	125.00
Albert R. Schaffner (collision)	75.00
Salvatore Nofi (collision)	45.00
Mary H. Sherlock (sidewalk)	35.00
The Narragansett Electric Co. (property)	100.00
Henry E. Turgeon (collision)	57.95
Raymond S. McNanna (collision)	79.23
Richard L. Connolly (collision)	52.50
Vincent J. Garrahy (collision)	50.00
William T. Millerick Jr. (collision)	175.00
Mary E. Merritt (sidewalk)	150.00
Peter C. Capaldi (collision)	66.00

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON

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Kenneth W. Costa (collision)	50.00
Elveria DiPadua (sidewalk)	25.00
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