

1955, 1957, 1961-1966

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By-Laws to appoint Assessors/Assessment Commissioners for the City of Port Arther were made as directed under the provisions of the Municipal Act, which also in part set out the responsibilities of the position. Under By-Law 1545 in 1918, these duties included looking after the taking of the assessments, preparing field books, reporting on the assessments to the City Council and City Treasurer, attending the Court of Revision in relation to any assessment appeals, reporting on these to Council, noting any property transactions and making any necessary entries on the Assessment Rolls.

Maintained in the office of the Assessment Commissioner, this series consists of Field Assessment & Census Books. They are arranged by Ward and Subdivision and contain similar information as Series 23, the Port Arthur Assessment Rolls. This information may include some or all of the following: the name and address of the owner/tenant of the property, the property address and legal description, school support, total assessment, total taxable assessment, total real property, value of land, value of buildings, business/residential assessment, religion, nationality and total number of residents by age categories.

Two individuals held the position of Assessment Commissioner during the time period of the records in this series, Charles E. Colvin was appointed in 1935, followed by Edward Blundell in 1956. Mr. Blundell was appointed to the position of District Assessor in 1967.

There are no records prior to 1955 and only Ward 1 is available for that year. Records do not exist for the years 1956, 1958, 1959 or 1960. For the year 1957 there is a record for Ward 3-1 only. For the year 1961, Wards 2-6 and 3-1 do not exist and for the year 1962 records are not available for Ward 2-2. For the year 1964, there is no record for Ward 1 and in 1966 Ward 3-6 does not exist.

It appears that at one time these records would have been kept in post binders. They have been removed from the binders and wrapped in brown paper.

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Further accruals are not anticipated.