

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL, ON THURSDAY THE 26TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1907 AT 8:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Mayor presiding and all the Aldermen present.

Letters were read from A.F. Beasley, Proprietor, and P. Burns & Co. Ltd., Tenants, of the Meat Market on Lonsdale Avenue, between 1st and 2nd Streets, with reference to the lowering of the sidewalk in front of the property.

Alderman Dick moved that consideration of these letters be left over until next Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

Letter from Alex Phillip, C.M.C., acknowledging receipt of Council's letter stating the desire to deal with Ferry matters alone. Filed.

Letter from Alex Phillip, C.M.C., with copy resolution, passed by his Council, (the Reeve dissenting), in answer to letter received from the City with regard to the District Council's request for arbitration.

On the motion of Aldermen Jordan and Irwin, the letter was laid on the table.

Letter from North Vancouver Land and Improvement Co. Ltd. donating and delivering certain property in "Ottawa Gardens" to the City and asking Council to consider the Gardens and equipment therein entirely in their charge and expressing assent to the Council imposing a Frontage Tax for the purpose of keeping the Gardens in order.

Remitted to Board of Works to report on matters of frontage tax and maintenance of Gardens.

Letter from City Engineer calling Council's attention to the fact that improper Septic Tanks have been and are being installed within the City Limits. Referred to Board of Health, on motion of Aldermen Jordan and Irwin.

Request by 10 Owners that planking now being taken up on Esplanade between Lonsdale and St. George's Avenues be put down again in the next Block East. Referred to Board of Works with power to act.

Survey Plan of re-subdivision of Lots 1 and 2, Block 62, D.L. 548, certified by City Engineer, was submitted, and on the motion of Aldermen Dick and Irwin, accepted by the Council.

Mr. J. Kirkland, who was present, enquired what the Council intend doing with regard to his claim for damages done to his property by the B.C. Agency Corporation, while blasting. The Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that the Committee had, after consulting with the City Solicitors, intimated to Mr. Kirkland that his case was on for civil action against the Owners and that the City was in no ways liable in the matter. The Chairman of the Committee also read a

letter received from Mr. Kirkland intimating his placing a lien on the deposit of the B.C. Agency Corporation. On the motion of Aldermen Dick and Irwin, the Council decided that the report of the Finance Committee be dealt with in Committee of the Whole Council.

After lengthened discussion and consultation with the Board of School Trustees, in Committee, the Council resolved on the motion of Aldermen Emery and Jordan that the School Trustees be asked to select additional School sites, with a view to purchase and to make application to the Council to submit a Bylaw for the approval of the Ratepayers.

The Council then took up further consideration of the claim by Mr. Kirkland and after additional report from the Finance Committee decided, on the motion of Aldermen Irwin and Emery, that a letter be sent to the B.C. Agency Corporation, informing them of the claim registered against their property, and also that a letter be sent to Mr. Kirkland explaining the Council's position in the matter.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee submitted and read statements received from the Auditors detailing the amount of interest due to the District by the City at 31st July and 31st August last.

Alderman Irwin moved the following motion which was seconded by Alderman Dick and unanimously agreed to:

"That the Finance Committee be requested to prepare Money Bylaws on behalf of the City, authorizing the issue and sale of 5% Debentures to the extent of say One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars for the purpose of carrying out improvements in the City of North Vancouver for the next twelve months (or when required), under the provisions of the "Local Improvement General Bylaws".

In connection therewith the Board of Works reported that it is estimated \$75,000 of the above sum will be required to finance the cost of "Frontage Improvements" which will consist principally of grading and macadamizing streets and laying sidewalks, all chargeable to fronting property benefited by such improvements. The remaining \$25,000 would be used in financing the City's share of Local Improvements, this latter sum would of course, be a general City debt. The Committee further suggested that the \$75,000 above mentioned be classified as follows:

\$25,000 in 10 years 5% Debentures

\$25,000 in 20 years 5% Debentures

\$25,000 in 30 years 5% Debentures

and that the City's share be issued in 30 year 5% Debentures, the City reserving the right to redeem any of the Debentures issued on six months notice by paying a 5% bonus.

The Chairman of the Board of Works Committee submitted and read a report by the City Engineer on the present condition of the water course on 14th Street. Remitted back to Board of Works Committee for further consideration and report.

The Mayor, Finance Committee and Clerk received authority to sign two demand notes, repayable one month after date, for \$10,000 each on the Bank of B.N.A. in virtue of value received under "Temporary Loan Bylaw 1907".

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor