MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL ON THURSDAY THE 12nd DAY OF DECEMBER, 1907 AT 8:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Mayor presiding and all the Aldermen present.

Letter from J.E. Bailey requesting Council to put a crossing in front of his house on Lot 13, Block 1454.

On motion of Alderman Dick, seconded by Alderman Crickmay, resolved that Clerk reply advising Mr. Bailey that Council cannot see their way to grant the application but at the same time suggest to Mr. Bailey that the property owners on the lower side of the Street should Petition the Council for a sidewalk to be laid there under the Local Improvement System.

The letter received from James Murray in reference to the Septic Tank installed by Mr. P. Allen in the alley between First and Second Streets was again read. The Chairman of the Health Committee reported that it was found the Tank had been placed with two feet of the South boundary of the Alley and that it was at least 16 feet from the window of Mr. Murray's house, also that as the Tank was covered with 18 inches of soil, the Committee did not consider it could become a nuisance or menace to health.

The Committee recommended that no further action be taken in regard to the matter.

On motion of Aldermen Irwin and Jordan the report to recommendation of the Health Committee was unanimously approved of.

The letter received from Alex Philip, C.M.C. in regard to the land slide on Lynn Creek Road was again submitted and read. The Chairman of the Water Committee read a letter from the City Engineer reporting the progress of the work being carried out. A plan of the road was also submitted.

On motion of Aldermen Jordan and Dick resolved that letter received from Mr. Philip be filed.

The letter received from Alex Philip, C.M.C. in reference to the Telephone poles and line on Lynn Valley Road, along with the draft resolution sent for adoption, were again read to and considered ty the Council.

On motion of Aldermen Irwin and Smith resolved that Clerk acknowledge receipt of the letter and inform Mr. Philip that the Council had given the matter due consideration but could not see their way to adopt the proposed Resolution.

The letter received from James P. Fell in regard to his proposal to Deed land to the City for road purposes was again submitted and read. The plans showing the land proposed to be deeded, which had been examined and found correct by the City Engineer were also submitted. On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Emery, resolved to accept the plans and Mr. Fell's offer provided the cost of survey be subject to confirmation by the Council.

Alderman Irwin repeated that the Board of Works Committee, along with the City Engineer, had examined the ground proposed to be deeded by Mr. Fell to the City for Park purposes, and had also gone fully into the matter of the proposed deviation of the Mackay and Keith Roads. The Committee believed that a good road could be made along the lines suggested by Mr. Fell, the grade of which would not exceed 8%.

The Committee recommended that the Offer and Plans be accepted and the thanks of the Council conveyed to Mr. Fell for his generosity.

The recommendation was agreed to unanimously.

On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Dick, a remit was made to the Fire Committee to consider and report on the necessity for installing an Electric Light at the corner of St. George's Road and First Street.

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

"That a Committee, consisting of Aldermen Dick, Alderman Smith, Alderman Emery and Treasurer Woods, be appointed to consider and report what in their opinion would be the best manner of dividing the City into Wards, and that the proposal be submitted to a vote of the Ratepayers at the forthcoming Annual Election in January."

On motion of Alderman Dick the Council decided to purchase from Mr. McNichol 3 cords of Firewood at \$3.75 per cord for use in the new Fire Hall.

On motion of Aldermen Dick and Jordan, the Fire Committee wa given authority to expend a sum not exceeding \$30 in supply Bedsteads and Bedclothing for the Rooms in the new Fire Hall.

On the further motion of Aldermen Dick and Jordan, the matters of the acceptance of the new Fire Hall from the contractor's was referred to the Fire Committee to arrange in the best way possible.

The Fire committee recommended that the position of Caretaker for the new Fire Hall be advertised.

Alderman Crickmay reported that the present Firemen had arranged that one of their number would be in attendance at the Hall each night from 8:00 o'clock. On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Dick, the Fire Committee was given authority to advertise the position, particular of duties and conditions of appointment to be obtained on application to the Clerk, and that applicants state salary expected.

On motion of Aldermen Smith and Crickmay, the Board of Works Committee was empowered to arrange for having eh present Fire Station in rear of the City Hall fitted up as an Office for the City Engineer.

On motion of Aldermen Jordan and Crickmay the Mayor was empowered to engage for at least one month a Special Police Constable for night duty only.

The Council resolved that the Mayor be paid out of the Annual Revenue for the current year an indemnity of \$600 for his services during the tenure of Office of the present Council and that each Alderman should receive \$150. The Clerk was instructed to prepare the necessary Bylaw.

Aldermen Smith and Jordan were appointed a Committee to ascertain the cost of Night Watchman's Clocks for use in connection with Police duty.

The Council thereafter sat in Committee of the Whole.

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor

16 December 1907