

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL ON THURSDAY THE 19th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1907 AT 8:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Mayor presiding and all the Aldermen present.

The applications were received and submitted for position as Caretaker of the new Fire Hall. Nine of the applicants appeared personally and gave information in support of their applications. Thereafter Alderman Irwin moved that the applications be referred to the Fire Committee to consider and send in a recommendation at next Meeting, and in the event of the Committee selecting a Short List that the applicants selected be asked to appear personally before the Council.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Dick and unanimously agreed to.

A Plan of proposed Tramway line connections from First Street east and west with Lonsdale Avenue south and wharf was submitted for acceptance from the B.C. Electric Railway Company.

On motion of Aldermen Emery and Jordan, the Plan was referred to the Board of Works Committee and City Engineer to report on.

On motion of Aldermen Irwin and Dick, the Council resolved that, in connection with the forthcoming Annual Elections the nominations for Mayor, Aldermen and Board of City School Trustees, take place within the City Hall on Monday, the 13th day of January, 1908 between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 2 o'clock p.m.; and that the polling, if any, in all three Elections, should take place on the Thursday following, the poll to be opened from 9 o'clock a.m. to 7 o'clock p.m.

On the motion of Alderman Emery, seconded by Alderman Irwin, Thomas Shepherd, City Clerk, was appointed to act as Returning Officer at the said Elections with the usual powers in that behalf.

Alderman Irwin reported result of interview he had with Mr. James P. Fell. He explained that Mr. Fell, among other things, wished to obtain a Plan showing the proposed deviation of the Keith and Mackay Roads, also that the proposed work on the lower Keith Road be completed with six months and the upper portion connecting with 19th Street completed within one year from date. It was agreed to instruct the City Engineer to prepare a Plan for Mr. Fell showing the alternative Keith and Mackay Roads, through the Park area, and Alderman Irwin was requested to again interview Mr. Fell and ascertain if he could not delay filing with the Registrar his Sub-division Plan until the return of his Surveyor who was at present absent from the City.

Alderman Emery submitted and read the following report by the Special Committee appointed to consider the proposal to divide the City into Wards. "This Committee after careful consideration think that the time is scarcely opportune for

the City to be divided into wards, but would recommend that steps be taken to endeavor to get the Municipal Clauses Act so amended that half the Aldermen be elected at large, and the Wards duly represented by the remaining portion. On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Crickmay, the Report was accepted by the Council.

Alderman Emery, on behalf of the Fire and Water Committee's reported that 21 of the first purchase and 22 of the second purchase of Fire Hydrants were at present placed and in use throughout the City, and that 27 of the latter purchase were in safe-keeping at Fire Hall No. 1, and one, for emergency at Fire Hall No. 2.

On the question being brought up the Water Committee was instructed to order all lengths of water piping, laying on various Streets throughout the City, to be collected and put in some suitable place for safe keeping. The Fire and Light Committee recommended that an Electric arc light be installed at the Wharf, and reported that of the five applications for lights on file, four only were actually required.

After considerable discussion, Alderman Jordan moved, seconded by Alderman Irwin, that four additional lights be placed at the following points in the City:

- One at Wharf - end of Lonsdale Avenue
- One at corner of First Street and St. George's Road
- One at junction of Keith Road and Mahon Avenue
- One at corner of 17th Street and Lonsdale Avenue

Alderman Dick moved as an amendment, that, in addition to the four points above mentioned, a light be placed at the corner of 15th Street and St. George's Road. The amendment was not seconded. The motion was thereafter put and declared carried. Alderman Dick dissenting.

Alderman Jordan reported an interview which he had had with Mr. Valse of the B.C. Telephone Co. who very willingly agreed to establish on continuous telephone service, Sunday included, between the City and Vancouver to commence so soon as arrangements can be made for the installation of the service.

The report was considered very satisfactory.

At the request of the Fire Committee, Mr. Barger of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. was present and submitted valuable information regarding the practicability and cost of installing a telephone and electric alarm connection between Fire Halls No. 1 and 2.

On motion of Alderman Dick, seconded by Alderman Irwin, the matter was referred to the Fire and Light Committee with power to act. Alderman Smith dissenting.

On motion of Alderman Irwin the Health Committee was empowered to act in the matter of purchasing a Stretcher for public use within the City.

There was submitted and ready a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of Loan, the sum of \$175,000 for the purpose of purchasing from the North Vancouver Ferry & Power Company Ltd., the said Company's whole right, title and interest in and to the present Ferry Service plying between the City and Vancouver, including the whole equipment, gear and plant used in connection with or belonging to the said Ferry service, as also that parcel or block of land adjoining on the water front of Burrard Inlet commonly called the Lonsdale Gardens".

On motion of Alderman Dick, seconded by Alderman Smith, the Bylaw passed a First reading.

On motion of Aldermen Dick and Crickmay, the Bylaw was referred back to the Special Committee for correction and completion.

The Council thereafter adjourned until Tuesday evening next.

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor
 06 January 1908.