

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

The Mayor presiding and all the Aldermen present excepting Alderman Crickmay.

A letter was ready from Messrs. J.W. Rowling and J. Louther making application for permission to cut and carry away cord wood laying along plank road on 19th Street east of pipeline, also on Sutherland Avenue.

On motion of Aldermen Dick and Smith, Council decided to grant permission applied for.

Letter from W.J.Porter requesting Council to have box or culvert put across drain crossing alley between First and Second Streets, east of Lonsdale Avenue.

On motion of Aldermen Irwin and Jordan, referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

A petition was received from B.W. Spilsbury craving Council to open up Wagon Trail along 8th Street, between Chesterfield Avenue and 13th Street.

On motion of Aldermen Dick and Smith resolved to carry out improvement on Petitioner.

Petitioner complying with terms of Local Improvement Bylaw in granting necessary guarantee as to erect of building costing not less than \$500.

Letters received from A.A. Crowston and Robert J. Louther in reference to street lights were referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

A letter received from James P. Fell in reference to registration of Plans of District Lot 552, and closing of existing Keith and Mackay Roads was referred to City Solicitors for opinion.

Communication from A.F. Beasley alluding to sidewalk grade opposite Messrs. P. Burns and Co.'s Store and stating that he would hold the City liable for damage caused to building by alteration of grade.

On motion of Aldermen Jordon and Smith, referred to Board of Works Committee to investigate circumstances and report to next meeting.

A Plan showing Sub-division of portion of Block 74, D.L. 549, previously certified correct by City Engineer, was submitted to and accepted by the Council.

The Plan received from the B.C. Electric Railway Co., showing proposed Tramway line connections from First Street East and West with Lonsdale Avenue South and Wharf was approved of and authority given the Mayor and Clerk to sign the same.

On motion of Alderman Jordan, seconded by Alderman Dick, resolved that opening of Tenders received for Bonds be deferred until meeting of Council to be held on 9th January next.

Alderman Dick submitted and read a Report by the Medical Health Officer of the health of the City for that portion of the year 1907 since 1st June last. The report which was considered very satisfactory was filed.

The Chairman of the Water Committee reported on the collection and storage of water piping laying throughout Streets in the City. On motion of Aldermen Irwin and Dick, a remit was made to the Water Committee to ascertain and report on the best means of protecting and preserving the water pipes laying along Lynn Valley Road.

The Mayor and Aldermen's Indemnity Bylaw was reconsidered and finally adopted by the Council, and authority given the Mayor and Clerk to sign the same and the Clerk to affix the Corporation Seal thereto.

Alderman Crickmay then entered the meeting.

The Fire Committee reported the selection of Messrs. Geo. G. Nye, William Alsop and W.C. Gribble as a Short List for the position of Caretaker of the new Fire Hall. The Council consulted with the several candidates in Committee after which a Ballot was taken and resulted as follows: W.C. Gribble, 5 votes; Geo. G. Nye, 1 vote; William Alsop, 1 vote. Mrs. Gribble was thereupon declared appointed to the post at the salary stated in his application, viz: \$60. per month.

The Council expressed a desire to attend a Meeting of the Board of Trade to be held on Thursday evening next to render every assistance possible in support of the Ferry purchase, and the Clerk was instructed to communicate the wishes of the Council to the Secretary of the Board.

Instructions were given the Clerk to call a Meeting of Ratepayers to be held in th City Hall on Friday, 3rd January, 1908 at 8 o'clock p.m. the business being to discuss the proposed Ferry purchase also to call the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers for Wednesday, January 8th, at 8 o'clock p.m. to receive the Council's Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year 1907.

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