## MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING OF 1908 MUNICIPAL COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL ON MONDAY THE 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 1908 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Mayor presiding and all the Aldermen present.

A letter was read from R.G. McPherson Esq., M.P. returning thanks for kind expressions and appreciation of efforts put forth by him in the matter of obtaining better postal facilities for the City of North Vancouver. In his letter, Mr. McPherson, urged that, to permit of further important improvements being carried out, the citizens of North Vancouver should purchase all stamps etc at the local office. Filed.

A circular letter was read from H. Bose, Hon. Secretary, Union of B.C. Municipalities, asking Council to appoint its full representation to the Annual Meeting of the Union to be held at Nanaimo on 26<sup>th</sup> February next. Mayor Kealy and Alderman Irwin were appointed Delegates from the Council to the convention.

Letter from Charles E. Lawson making application for permission to remove small frame building a present standing on Lot 3, Block 215a, D.L. 545 to Lot G of subdivision of Lots 1, 2, 19 and 20 in same Block.

On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman May resolved to grant permission subject to the usual conditions in regard to the removal of buildings being complied with.

Letter from W. Nicholson Lailey, requesting permission to place the building at present occupying Lots 20 and 21, Block 165, D.L. 274, in the lane immediately next of Lot 21, so as to permit of the Owner erecting a two storey building on said lots. On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Irwin, referred to Board of Works Committee to investigate circumstances and report to next meeting.

Letter from W.P. Peacy, Secretary, Board of City School Trustees, submitting Board's estimate of both ordinary and extraordinary School Expenditure for the current year.

The estimate included items showing Ordinary Expenditure on the North Vancouver School amounting to \$4,570 and \$760 on Moodyville School - a total Ordinary Expenditure of approximately \$5,330.00.

A sum of \$15,000 was included as an Extraordinary Expenditure for the purchase of an additional School site and erection of a School building. On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman May, resolved that Estimate layover to next meeting. Letter from City Solicitors advising steps necessary to be taken in regard to matter of expropriating land for the purpose of widening St. David's Avenue at its junction with 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

In connection with this Bylaw No. 21, a Bylaw to expropriate real property for the purpose of widening St. David's Avenue at the corner of First Street was introduced received three readings and was passed by the Council.

Letter from City Engineer recommending that a local improvement rate of \$2.00 per lot be levied on all property fronting upon Ottawa Gardens. on motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Braim, it was decided to refer consideration of the recommendation in order that the Board of Works Committee might look into the matter and report whether the rate proposed should not be increased.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of 23<sup>rd</sup> January last was read to the meeting.

At the request of the Chairman consideration of the Committee's recommendation relative to inaccuracies in Finance Statement received from District of North Vancouver was deferred, and the latter part of the Report was adopted.

The Report of the Water Committee as contained in the Committee's Minute of 23<sup>rd</sup> January last, was read and adopted.

The Board of Works Committee recommended on the advice of the Engineer, that the stream crossing Esplanade, to the West of Lonsdale Avenue be cleaned out and freed of all obstructions. The recommendation was unanimously agreed to.

On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Wheeler, it was resolved that the City of North Vancouver accept from Captain Henry Haywood Heywood-Lonsdale and James Pemberton Fell Esquire, a conveyance of those portions of Lot Fourteen (14) in Block Three (3) and that portions of Lot Fourteen (14) in Block Ten (10) in the subdivision of District Lot Two hundred and sixty-five (265) Group One (1) New2 Westminster District, more particularly described in a conveyance of the same by the said Captain Henry Heywood Heywood-Lonsdale and James Pemberton Fell for the use and purposes, and on the conditions set out in the said Conveyance, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign the said conveyance on behalf of the City of North Vancouver, and to affix the Corporate Seal of the said City of North Vancouver thereto.

This resolution was passed by the Council on the distinct understanding that the City Solicitors approve of the conveyance of the said parcels of land.

Reports and recommendations by the Board of Works and Water Works Committees on due Accounts were submitted and read to the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the following Accounts, viz: Board of Works

Workmen's wages per Payroll for two weeks ending January 15, 1907 \$

Waterworks

Workmen's wages per Payroll for two weeks ending January 15, 1907 \$

The Chairman of the Board of Works Committee reported that Mr. James P. Fell had approved of the proposed new roadway through the Park area in D.L. 552 as shown red on the Plan prepared by the City Engineer, and that Mr. Fell had also made arrangements for the immediate deeding of the Park area to the City.

On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Wheeler, authority was given the Mayor and City Treasurer to sign cheques for paying wages to discharged Labourers and for refunding Blasting Deposits.

A letter was read from H.G. Quin, Manager, North Vancouver Ferry & Power Co. Ltd., explaining that the total cost of repairing the damage done by fire to the SS North Vancouver amounted to \$2,742, and that the amount recoverable from the Insurance Co. was \$1,094.52 leaving a sum of \$1,647.48 which falls to be paid by the City.

On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman May, resolved that matter be referred to the City Solicitors for opinion.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committees' Minutes of 23<sup>rd</sup> January last, was read and adopted.

On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Irwin, authority was given Alderman Crickmay to purchase the tools and furnishings required at the new Fire Hall as per lit submitted.

In the event of the option granted Messrs. Winifred Shore & Co. on the sale of City Debenture Bonds not being acted upon, Mayor Kealy was authorized to grant Messrs. Lorwen & Harvey, an option at 92 net to the City after 12 o'clock on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> inst. until Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 1908 at 12 o'clock noon.

There was read to and endorsed by the Council a lengthy letter written by Mayor Kealy to the Honorable Maurice Gifford of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. in England, regarding the sale of Debenture Bonds sufficient to cover the purchase price of the Ferry Co.'s assets.

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor 03 February 1908