

MINUTES OF STATED MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL ON MONDAY THE 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1908 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Mayor presiding and all the Aldermen present

A letter was read from Mr. J. H. Selkirk, asking for a continuance of the Council's former grant of \$50 per month towards his Publication "Where to Go".
On motion of Aldermen Irwin and Wheeler referred to Finance Committee to consider and report.

Communication from City Solicitors regarding St. David's Avenue widening and suggesting that the Council instruct the Assessor to make a valuation of the Lot expropriated and upon receiving his Report pass a resolution authorizing the Solicitors to make tender to the Owner and in view of the tender being refused that the Council should in the resolution nominate an Arbitrator.
On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman May, resolved that City Treasurer be temporarily appointed Arbitrator to make and return to the Council a valuation of the Lot expropriated.

A letter was submitted from the Brackmen Kerr Milling Co. lodging a claim of \$46.67 for damage done to goods in their store, owing, it was alleged, to a block occurring in the drain at the corner of Lonsdale Avenue and Esplanade.
On motion of Aldermen Irwin and May. Clerk instructed to reply denying Council's liability, pointing out the fact that the drain is considered of sufficient size to carry away all surface water at any time under ordinary circumstances.

A Plan was submitted from F.W. Robertson showing proposed re-subdivision of Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 87, D.L. 549.
The Plan which had been previously certified correct by the City Engineer was approved of by the Council.

The Chairman of the Board of Works Committee read a letter received by him from the City Engineer in which was stated that the portion of the Lane on to which Mr. Ellwood purposed moving his building had never been dedicated to the City, and that viewing these circumstances Mr. Ellwood's agent had agreed to go no further in this matter.
On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman May, Council resolved to rescind its former resolution adopting the Report of the Board of Works Committee dealing with this matter.
In reference to the Committee's recommendation on Local Improvement Petition No. 1, some little discussion was entered into regarding the lifetime of the proposed new roadway when it was decided to defer consideration of the recommendation until next Council Meeting so that the Engineer might ascertain from other sources what course is usually pursued in arriving at the lifetime of new roadways.

The Committee's recommendation regarding the widening of a portion of the roadway at the foot of the hill on 17th Street was adopted and the Engineer instructed to widen the roadway at the Bridge if found practical.

The Committee's recommendation re Local Improvement Petition No. 2, Ottawa Gardens, was adopted as was also their recommendation that the City Clerk be appointed Assessment Commissioner.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of 6th February last was read and adopted. Instructions were given the Clerk to have a Bylaw prepared and in readiness to be voted on by the Ratepayers at any time in the near future.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of 6th February last was read to the meeting. The first three items in the Report, dealing with the matter of suitable Fire alarms were, on request, referred back to the Committee for further consideration and report, and the remainder of the Report was adopted with the exception of that part determining the length of a shift and the scale of pay proposed to be paid to Firemen, which was on motion of Aldermen Braim and Wheeler, also referred back to the Committee to submit again at a later date with any information which might be obtained from other places where Volunteer Fire Brigades are employed.

Alderman Irwin submitted and read copy Minutes of Meeting of the Hospital Committee held on 6th February last, which was on motion of Alderman Wheeler, seconded by Alderman Braim laid over for consideration at next Council Meeting.

The specifications prepared by the City Engineer for the clearing grading and laying of a 6' sidewalk on that part of 11th Street between St. George and Ridgeway Avenues, a distance of 1475 feet or thereby, were read to the meeting and laid over for final approval at next Council meeting.

There was read to the meeting a communication received by the City Engineer from Mr. Cameron, Engineer for the District, stating that the District Council at their meeting the previous evening had approved of the proposed change in Keith Road and agreed to make the length of the road outside the City limit. Filed.

A petition was submitted from 7 residents on 14th Street calling upon the Council to place a Street light at the corner of 14th Street and Mahon Avenue. On motion of Aldermen May and Braim referred to Fire and Light Committee to consider and report.

Alderman Braim moved the following motion of which notice had previously been given; "That the National Electrical Code 1907" governing the installation of wiring and apparatus be adopted as the wiring Bylaw of the City. The motion was seconded by Alderman May and unanimously agreed to.

Communication from City Solicitors stating that in view of the provisions of the Agreement with the Ferry Co. they did not consider the Company was entitled to call upon the City to pay the difference in the amount expended on repairing the "SS North Vancouver" and the sum to be recovered from the Insurance Co. On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Braim, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Ferry Co. denying the City's liability.

Alderman Smith read a lengthy letter received by him from Mr. Peck, Water Foreman, making application for an increase of his salary.
Referred to Water Committee to consider and report to next meeting.

Bylaw No. 17, "The Fire Suppression and Prevention Bylaw", received its second and third readings and was passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 23, "A Bylaw to authorize the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to borrow the sum of \$10,000 on temporary loan" was introduced, received three readings, and was passed by the Council.

On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman May, the Committee appointed to consider the proposed additions to the City Hall, was authorized to engage Mr. Wickenden, Architect, to prepare a Plan thereof on the lines suggested by the Chairman of the Committee of the Council.

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor
 17th February 1908.