

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL ON THURSDAY THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL 1908 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Present: Acting Mayor Irwin, presiding and all the Aldermen present.

Petition from 13 Property Owners on Mahon Avenue requesting that Avenue be opened up from 13th Street to 19th Street, the present trail being considered dangerous to vehicular traffic and pedestrians. On motion of Alderman Braim and Alderman May, referred to Board of Works Committee to report on at next meeting.

Temporary Clerk in Treasurer's Office -

The Treasurer submitted and read applications received from Messrs. G.E. Mitchell, Sydney Humphries and Daniel H. Whitlow. On a ballot being taken it was found that Mr. Humphries had received 4 votes and Mr. Whitlow 1 vote. Mr. Humphries was duly elected to fill the vacancy.

Statutory Loan Bylaw No. 2 -

Communications from manager, Bank of B.N.A., to City Treasurer and City Solicitors to Manager, Bank of B.N.A. in reference to elimination of Clause 6 from Bylaw dealing with Council's right to redeem Bonds at any time at par on giving six months notice, were read to the meeting.

After discussion, on motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Wheeler, Acting Mayor Irwin was appointed to interview Mr. Godfrey and come to best arrangement possible in this matter.

Alderman May gave notice, provisionally, that at next meeting of the Council he would introduce a Bylaw either to amend or repeal the Statutory Loan Bylaw No. 2.

Letter from James P. Fell desiring Council to put roadway at junction of Keith Road and Sixteenth Street in proper shape. On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Braim, referred to Board of Works Committee to report at next meeting.

The Agreement to be entered into with the B.C. Electric Railway Co. in reference to the removal of gravel from the road through the Park area in D.L. 552, in its completed form was again submitted to the Council.

On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Wheeler, Acting Mayor Irwin and the City Clerk were authorized to execute the Agreement for and on behalf of the City.

Alderman May suggested that immediate steps be taken, by approaching the Government or otherwise, to ascertain the relations of the City with the NW&Y Railway in respect to their right-of-way. The suggestion was considered a wise one but definite action was left over to be decided upon at next meeting.

Alderman Smith called attention to the action of the CPR in placing obstructions at the approaches to the Ferry wharf at Vancouver side and thereby impeding traffic. On motion of Alderman Braim, seconded by Alderman May, Acting Mayor Irwin, Alderman Smith and Alderman Crickmay were appointed a Committee to confer with Mr. Marpole and the Management of the Ferry Company the following morning to endeavor to effect the immediate removal of the obstructions, also of the Japanese Fishing boats laying near the new Ferry slip.

Acting Mayor Irwin reported the receipt of a letter from Mayor Kealy, stating that he expected to return about 27th next and requesting that his leave of absence be extended. On motion of Alderman May and Alderman Braim extension was granted for one week.

On motion of Alderman May and Alderman Braim, Acting Mayor Irwin and City Treasurer were authorized to sign cheques for interest coupons now due.

Mr. P. Larson was heard in reference to the urgent necessity for a fire hydrant being installed at corner of Roger's Avenue and Esplanade. On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Wheeler, referred to Fire Committee with power to act.

Sections 24a to 34 of the National Electrical Code, constituting part of the Wiring Bylaw were read in open Council.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor
 May 4, 1908