

**MINUTE OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE CITY HALL,
ON THURSDAY THE 21st DAY OF MAY 1908, AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

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

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 4th, of the Special Meeting of the 7th; and of the Stated Meeting of the 11th May last, also of the Court of Revision held on 7th May current (copies of which had been previously sent to all the members of the Council and being held as read) were on motion adopted.

Communicaiton from Canadian Municipal Journal Co. sending 12 copies of the May issue of the Journal for distribution amongst the members of the Council and urging upon Council to subscribe annually for same.
On motion of Alderman Braim and Alderman Wheeler resolved that consideration of communication be referred to next meeting.

Communication from R.G. McPherson, M.P. informing Council that Charter of V.W. &Y Railway Co. is to be found in the Revised Statutes and that no effort was at present being made to secure an extension of eth Railway Co.'s Charter.
Filed.

Request from Mr. George Haddon to have plank walk led along the East sie of St. Andrew's Avenue from First Street to Esplanade.
On motion of Alderman Wheeler and Alderman Crickmay, resolved to notify Mr. Haddon that requested Improvement must be applied for under the Local Improvement Bylaw.

Letter from Chas. M. Kittson requesting Council to deepen ditch on 15th Street between Ridgeway and St. Andrew's Avenues. On motion of Alderman Crickmay and Alderman Braim, referred to Board of Works Committee to report at next meeting.

Letter from Alex Philip C.M.C. re Water Rates charged in the District and asking Council to make no change in existing arrangements until District Council can legally deal with the matter as a Water District.
On motion, referred to Water Works Committee for consideration and report.

Request from A.C. Gladwin that wagon road be opened up on 8th Street between St. George's and St. Andrew's Avenue.
On motion of Alderman Braim and Alderman May referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

Letters received from City Clerk Vancouver intimating that orders had been given to place a street light on second light pole from Carrall Street and that the matter of expropriating lots 36 and 37 in Block 1, D.L. 196, also of a car line on

Alexander Street had been referred to their City Solicitor and City Comptroller for Report were filed.

Communication from Secretary Local Board of Trade, forwarding copy resolutions passed at a General Meeting of Board endorsing action of Council re approaching Vancouver City Council for better approaches to Vancouver Ferry Landing and the construction of a tram line on Alexander Street were received and accepted with thanks.

Letter from Alex Philip, C.M.C. sending copy resolution passed by District Council requesting Finance Committee of City Council to meeting Finance Committee of District Council to try and make some arrangement whereby the District Council would be released from carrying certain liabilities on behalf of the City.

On motion of Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Braim, resolved that Finance Committee of City Council meet the Finance Committee of the District Council on a date to be arranged by the Chairmen.

Letter from President Scott of Ferry Co. in answer to Council's claim of \$2,000 for passages omitted.

On motion of Alderman Crickmay and Alderman Smith resolved that letter be laid on the table and discussed in Committee of the Whole.

Further letter from President Scott of Ferry Co. in reply to resolutions forwarded by City Council and stating that the Directors of the Company had decided that the hourly service at present being maintained is as frequent a service as the present traffic warrants.

On motion of Alderman Smith and Alderman Crickmay, resolved that communication be discussed in Committee of the Whole.

Sub-division plan of Lot 9, Block 7, D.L. 616, previously certified by City Engineer was submitted to an approved of by the Council subject to an assurance being got from owner of Lot 6 that Northerly Street allowance would be granted by him.

Mr. Goro Kaburagi on behalf of a Company requested that proposed Japanese Tea Gardens on 21st Street be exempted from payment of water rates and taxes. On motion, referred to Water Committee to look into and report what they consider can be done in the matter.

The following reports and recommendations by the Board of Works and Water Works Committees on due accounts payment of which had already been authorized were read to the meeting.

Board of Works

Workmen's wages per Payroll for two weeks ending 13th May 1908 \$96.32

Water Works

Workmen's wages per Payroll for two weeks ending May 13th, 1908 \$117.39

Alderman Smith gave in Report of Joint Hospital Committee Meeting held on 13th inst.

The report stated that the Hospital to be conducted by the Misses Dawson would received government aid, and recommended that the City and District Councils grant additional aid to the extend of \$25. per month, and undertake the responsibility and upkeep of indigent patients.

It was explained that each Council would contribute \$1.00 per day.

On motion of Alderman May and Alderman Braim the report and recommendations of the Committee were adopted and the Hospital Committee requested to draw up a proper form of Agreement to be entered into between the Council and the Misses Dawson.

On motion of Alderman May and Alderman Crickmay, the Council decided that the extension of the tram line between 21st and 23rd Street be continued in as straight line as possible so that all jogs at street intersections may be avoided.

Communication from Managing Secretary Vancouver General Hospital, holding City liable for payment of account amounting to \$11.00 for attendances on Miss Marjory Mussen. It was found that Miss Mussen's father was a ratepayer and resident in the District, and the Clerk was instructed to reply accordingly.

On motion of Alderman Crickmay, seconded by Alderman May, resolved that full examination and audit of city Finances from date of Incorporation be called for under Seciton 94 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

On motion the Council decided to leave the appointment of an independent auditor in the hands of Messrs. James McNair, A.F. Beasley, J.R.J. Murray & Geo. Phillipps.

Communication was read from Messrs. D.C. McGregor & Co. Ltd. pointing out a mistake made in rates quoted on Employers Liability Policy which was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration. The Finance Committee later recommended that the mistake be rectified and the difference in the premium paid. This was agreed to by the Council.

The Council thereafter went into Committee of the Whole and discussed the communications received from President Scott of the Ferry Company. An opinion as to the City's rights under the Agreement and contained in a letter from the City Solicitor dated 21st inst. was read to the Meeting after which was resolved on the motion of Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Crickmay that the City Solicitors be instructed to demand payment of the Bill amounting to \$2,000 from the Ferry Co. by 27th inst. at the same time notifying the Company that failing the payment of the amount by the date mentioned the Council intend

taking action to carry into effect Clause 13 of the Agreement between the Company and the City.

A letter was read from the General Manager of the B.C. Electric Railway Co., Vancouver, intimating that Company had been unable to arrange loan for Ferry Purchase. Filed.

Alderman Irwin entered the Meeting.

The Engineer was instructed to ascertain what portion of Rice Lake the City was likely to require for water purposes so the Government may be granted opportunity to see the remainder.

Owing to a mistake having been made in the publication of Bylaws No. 32 and 38, the Council decided on the motion of Alderman May and Alderman Smith that the vote of the Electors on these Bylaws be taken on 3rd June in place of 27th May as originally intended. The Council thereafter adjourned until Thursday the 28th inst.

Signed: A.E. Kealy, Mayor
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