

**MINUTES OF STATED MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE CITY HALL ON MONDAY THE 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 1908 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

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

The Council convened as a Court of Revision respecting the Local Improvement proposed to be carried out on Lonsdale Avenue between 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Streets, as recommended in the Report of the Board of Works Committee dated June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1908, and unanimously adopted by the Council on that date.

Mr. H.L. Radermacher and H.W. Young waited upon the Council and presented a Petition signed by all the Property Owners interested in this Improvement on the West side of the Street, with the exception of two, entering a strong protest against the proposed improvement on account of the excessive taxation, which it would necessarily involve, and because of the fact that the improvement was not called for by the property owners concerned. The Petition also craved that the portion of Lonsdale Avenue in question be put in a similar condition to what it was previous to the extension of the B.C. Electric Railway Tram Lines. After discussion it was resolved on the motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Crickmay, to refer this matter back to the Council for reconsideration. The Council thereafter convened in regular session.

A letter was read from three residents at the extreme northerly end of Lonsdale Avenue informing Council that the B.C. Electric Co. was prepared to extend their Electric Lighting System to that part if the City Council would guarantee the Company a certain percentage against losses. It having been found that the Petitioners were residents in the district, it was resolved to notify them, that because of this fact, the City Council was not possessed of the power to accede to their request.

Letter from horticultural Association requesting that a third plank be laid on Lonsdale Avenue sidewalk from 21<sup>st</sup> Street, to a point opposite the entrance to the Association Grounds also requesting the loan of sufficient plank to lay a sidewalk from the Gate Entrance to the Hall.

On motion of Alderman May and Alderman Braim, referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

On motion of Alderman Braim, seconded by Alderman Irwin, a letter received from the North Vancouver Athletic Association requesting exemption from payment of taxes, on their grounds, 21<sup>st</sup> Street for the current year, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

The Council then took up consideration of a Report received from the Court of Revision, held earlier in the evening respecting the proposed Local Improvement on Lonsdale Avenue between 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Streets, and after discussion it was

resolved, on Motion of Alderman Braim, seconded by Alderman May to forego the idea of proceeding with the projected improvement meantime. On further motion of Alderman Braim, seconded by Alderman May, the Board of Works Committee was directed to look into and report what repairs were considered necessary to put the roadway in a condition similar to what it was before the extension of the tram line.

A Subdivision Plan of Block 75, D.L. 549, previously certified correct by the City Engineer was submitted to and accepted by the Council.

Alderman Irwin, as Chairman, submitted a report of this date, from the Ferry Committee, containing certain recommendations relative to the adjustment of existing disputes between the City and the Ferry Company, more particularly as to securing an improved Ferry Service, along with an outline of proposed amendments to be embodied in and made part of the Argument now in force between the City and the Company and recommending a five year extension to the lease of Lonsdale Avenue Terminus.

The Clerk was instructed to forward the proposed amendments to the Solicitors for approval.

Alderman Smith reported that on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> instants, two breaks had occurred the 10" Water Main on 19<sup>th</sup> Street. The Water Foreman was instructed to return a note of the expenses incurred in repairing the breaks, to the Clerk, who was directed to recover the same from the Canadian Pipe Company who were held responsible under the terms of the Contract entered into with them on the installation of the System.

At the request of Mayor Kealy, Alderman Wheeler was granted two weeks leave of absence.

A report from the City Engineer with plan showing pressure reducing cistern proposed to be installed on 19<sup>th</sup> street was submitted but as the dimensions of the Cistern were at variance with the Water Committees' recommendation of the previous week, the matter was referred ask to the Committee for further consideration and report.

Alderman Irwin informed the Council that the stores in the Keith Block, at the corner of First Street and Lonsdale Avenue were about to be occupied and that permission had been requested to place steps in front of the door ways. On motion, it was resolved to permit of steps being placed in front of the doorways, provided suitable hand rails were erected on each side of the steps, so as to prevent accidents befalling pedestrians in the night time.

The Clerk was instructed to obtain the opinion of both the City Solicitors and City Auditors, relative to the advisability of the City depositing sufficient Debenture

Bonds with the Bank to cover the balance of the debt due by the City to the District.

The Council thereafter adjourned

Signed:       Arnold E. Kealy, Mayor  
                  14 September 1908