

**MINUTES OF STATED MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ON MONDAY THE 8TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1909 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

His Worship Mayor May presiding and all the Aldermen present.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> and of the adjourned Regular Meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> February last were read, and on motion adopted.

Letter - Provincial Secretary, informing Council that Messrs. Samuel D. Schultz (Alderman) and Albert R. Steacy had been appointed Members of the Board of Licensing Commissioners and that Messrs. Wm. McNeish (Alderman) and Colin G. Jackson had been appointed Members of the Board of Commissioners of Police for the City for the ensuing term.

Letter - George H. Halse, Sec. Treasurer, B.C. Telephone Co. Ltd. explaining cause of late unsatisfactory condition of telephone service between North Vancouver and Vancouver.

After considerable discussion Alderman Young moved that the Clerk be instructed to again write to the Company and ascertain what consideration was being given the Council's request for a reduction of the 10' toll between North Vancouver and Vancouver. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz and agreed to.

Letter - G.M. Heard, Manager, N.V. Ferry & Power Co. Ltd. informing Council that the rules and regulations regarding Life Saving appliances as required by the Steamboat Inspection Act were being complied with on his company's Steamers "St. George" and "North Vancouver" to the satisfaction of the Steam-Boat Inspector. Mr. Heard, who was present, on being questioned admitted that weekly exercising of the crews in lowering and handling boats was not carried out as required by Section 5 of the said Rules and Regulations. On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman Schultz resolved that Attorney General be notified of these circumstances and requested to take action in the matter.

Letter - A.S. Emmerson, Fire Chief, requesting additional equipment for Volunteer Firemen and recommending certain changes in existing conditions at the Fire Halls; also that approach to 13<sup>th</sup> Street Fire-Hall be put in passable condition. On motion of Alderman Braim seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that letter be referred to Fire & Light Committee for consideration and report, and that the Board of Works Committee be empowered to put 13<sup>th</sup> Street East in a proper state of repair.

Letter - City Engineer, recommending that the water from Keith Road ditch be diverted to the North, under the B.C. Electric Railway Track by enlarging the present Culvert; and that the East end of the bridge over Mission Creek on the

Keith Road be extended Eastwards about 15 feet and proper guard rails placed on either side at an estimated cost of about \$35. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Braim, referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

Letter - Chas. M. Kittson, in reference to Local Improvement Petition lodged four months ago for 4' sidewalk to be constructed on 15<sup>th</sup> Street between St. Andrew's and Ridgeway Avenues. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Young referred to Board of Works Committee to report.

Letter - Alex Philip, C.M.C. intimating that District Council had appointed Reeve McNaught and Councillor Gordon to be members of a joint committee representing the City and District and the Frontage Owners to take some action in the matter of desired extension of the Yukon Railway Charter. Alderman Dick and Alderman Schultz were appointed representatives from the City Council to act on such Committee.

Letter from T.M. Heard, informing Council that Annual Meeting of Ferry Company was to be held on Monday February 15<sup>th</sup> and that the Directors of the Company would be pleased to meet with a Committee from North Vancouver and endeavor to arrange some scheme for the solution of existing difficulties, also that the Company intended resuming a half hourly service on Saturday next. After considerable discussion it was resolved that the Ferry Committee's of the City and District confer with the Directors of the Ferry Co. tomorrow afternoon and report to the Public Meeting of Ratepayers to be held in the evening.

Letter - R.J. Murray forwarding copy resolution passed at Public Meeting of ratepayers protesting against the inadequate Ferry Service being carried on by the North Vancouver Ferry & Power Co. Ltd. and considering that in the interest of the Public the License to said Company should be cancelled. Alderman Schultz moved that the letter be laid on the Table, meantime in view of the opinion received from Mr. Joseph Martin K.C. Council for the City in the Ferry Case advising that it would be better for the Council not to pass any resolution calculated to induce the Local Government to cancel the Ferry License. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dick and agreed to.

Letter - W.F. B. Duff submitting claim of \$150 for damages on account of injuries received by his wife, Mrs. A.M.C. Duff as a result of accidentally stepping off sidewalk on 13<sup>th</sup> Street on 13<sup>th</sup> December last. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Schultz resolved that Mr. Duff be invited to confer with the Council in Committee of the Whole.

Letter - Jack Loutet, Secretary, Bowling & Tennis Club asking Council for five years lease of two portions of Ottawa Gardens, shown on Plan submitted. On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Dick, resolved that Representatives of Club be asked to meet Council on Thursday night to arrange terms of lease.

Petition from Fourteen Residents and Ratepayers asking for Street Arc Light to be placed at intersection of 9<sup>th</sup> Street and St. Andrew's Avenue.

On motion of Alderman Braim and Alderman Dick referred to the Fire & Light Committee to investigate conditions and report.

Ms. P. Larson appeared before the Council and requested that the Bridge on the Esplanade at Roger's Avenue be rebuilt and the culvert filled in, also that the roadway on Mahon Avenue from Keith Road South to the Mission be put in a proper state of repair.

The Council considered that a great many of the Streets throughout the City were in urgent need of repair and on motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Braim, it was resolved that the Board of Works Day Gang be continuously employed on repair work for an indefinite period.

Upon enquiry being made by Alderman Dick as to whether Mr. Hammersley had were offered to sell that portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street laying between Blocks 143 and 153, D.L. 274 to the City.

The Mayor stated that an overture made to last year's Council offering to sell the land at \$1000 had been refused.

Alderman Dick thereupon moved that the question of opening up that portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street be referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report.

The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

A Report and recommendation by the Finance Committee on the following due account was submitted and read to the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the following account, viz:

#### Finance

D.W. Elder, Balance of salary as Assessor	\$125.00
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On motion of Alderman Braim seconded by Alderman Young, resolved that Water Works Committee be empowered to obtain quotations from Local Houses for the supply of 5000 feet ½" galvanized iron pipe and report to the Council.

Alderman Dick moved the motion of which notice had been given previously:

"That the resolution passed by the Council on 1<sup>st</sup> July last instructing the City Engineer to have the work of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Contract completed according to Contract, be reconsidered".

The motion was seconded by Alderman Braim. After some discussion the motion was put to the meeting.

Alderman Dick and Alderman Braim voted "Aye", while Alderman Young, Alderman Schultz and Alderman McNeish voted "Nay". Alderman McRae did not vote.

The motion was declared defeated.

Alderman Schultz reported that the City Council of Vancouver had that evening passed a resolution requesting the Provincial Government to determine that navigation in the waters of Burrard Inlet be made free and open to all craft; and depreciating any monopoly for the carrying of passengers and freight between the Cities of Vancouver and North Vancouver.

W. Snider was heard in reference to completion of 11<sup>th</sup> Street Local Improvement Contract Mr. Snider explained that on 18<sup>th</sup> December last the Contract had been accepted as completed by Mr. McPherson while acting as City Engineer. On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman McNeish resolved that under the circumstances the Contract be accepted by the Council.

Mr. Gill waited upon the Council and urged them to pass a resolution in similar term to that passed by the City Council of Vancouver in reference to the Waters of Burrard Inlet. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Schultz, resolved to forward draft resolution in above terms to City Solicitors and enquire whether they would advise the passing by the Council of such a resolution.

Alderman Young submitted Bylaw No. 59 for consideration.

On enquiry, it was learned that the Bylaw had not been revised by the City Solicitors. Alderman Dick moved that a copy of the Bylaw be forwarded to the City Solicitors for revision before reconsideration. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz and agreed to. Alderman McRae dissenting.

Bylaw No. 60 - The City Engineer's appointment Bylaw was read and reconsidered. On the understanding that the services of the City Engineer would be at the call of the Council at any time without additional remuneration being paid therefore. The Bylaw was adopted and finally passed by the Council and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the Bylaw and the Clerk to affix the Corporate Seal thereto.

The Council thereafter went into Committee of the whole.

Signed: William H. May, Mayor