

MINUTES OF STATED MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ON MONDAY THE 29th DAY OF MARCH 1909 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

His Worship Mayor May presiding and all the Aldermen present.

Mr. J. Barlfour Ker, Chairman of the Ottawa Delegation submitted and read to the Meeting a Report with reference to the letter received by the Council from Mr. Geo. H. Cowan M.P. relative to matters concerning Railway Charter Extension. On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Dick, resolved that the Report be accepted and that the Delegation be thanked for their services; also that a Copy of the Report be forwarded to Mr. Cowan and afterwards filed for future reference. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman McRae, resolved that the Delegation be discharged.

Letter - Hon. J.P. Mabee, Chief Commissioner, Board of Railway Commissioners, conveying regrets at not having been able to visit North Vancouver on their return from Victoria; but stating that the Commissioners hope to be in Vancouver again shortly and would make a point of visiting North Vancouver then.

On motion of Alderman Schultz and Alderman McRae, the letter was received and filed, and the Clerk directed to inform the Commissioners that the Council would be pleased to receive them at any time on being advised of the probable date of their arrival.

Letter - W.J. Butler informing Council that a Platform was being erected at the end of the Keith Road Car Line, a large portion of which encroached on the roadway, and asking Council to order its removal.

On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman McNeish, referred to Board of Works Committee to investigate and report.

Letter - Russell E. Macnaghten, requesting that 13th Street from Lonsdale Avenue to St. George's Avenue be repaired to permit of access being got to his property in Block 75.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Young, referred to Board of Works Committee and City Engineer, to act in the matter of making the roadway passable.

Letter - A.J. Picton Warlaw, making application for a 12' sidewalk to be constructed along the South side of 22nd Street from Lonsdale Avenue to a point 30 feet East of the North West corner of the Recreation Park.

On motion of Alderman Schultz and Alderman Young, referred to Board of Works Committee.

Letter - City Engineer Hanes, recommending that a shed be erected on the Fire Hall Property for the purpose of a shelter for the City's carts, plows, etc., at an estimated cost of \$50; also an enclosure for the horse at a cost of \$15. On motion of Alderman Young and Alderman McRae, referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

Letter - W. Bailey, desiring water connection to his house on Keith Road to be lowered. On motion of Alderman Schultz and Alderman McRae referred to Water Works Committee.

Letter - W. Bailey rendering Bill for \$65.00, damage done to fence around his house by 8th Street Contractors. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Young referred to City Engineer to investigate and report.

Petition from property owners and residents asking for Western Avenue to be opened up between 22nd and 23rd Streets. On motion of Alderman Schultz and Alderman Young referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

Letter - Misses. V.H. Gradwell and D. Butler, calling attention to the urgent necessity for a sidewalk to be constructed on the East side of Lonsdale Avenue between 17th and 18th Streets. On motion referred to Board of Works Committee to look into and report.

Letter - Employers Liability Corporation with renewal receipt for Liability Policy over City Workmen. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Schultz, referred to Board of Works Committee and Water Works Committee.

Letter - Motor Boat Transportation Co., advising that an execution had been issued against the Company, and a Boat of one of the Defendant's seized for sale, and that unless the City rendered assistance it would be necessary for the Defendants to enter an appeal against the judgment rendered in the Ferry Case. The Mayor reported that the Solicitors were of opinion that in consequence of the Indemnity Bylaw, recently voted upon, having been defeated, the Council could not submit another Bylaw for a similar purpose this year, nor apply any of the Corporation Funds towards settling any of the claims. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman McNeish, resolved that a copy of the correspondence be forwarded to the Board of Trade with a full explanation of the City's position in regard to the matter.

Letters were read from Messrs. Wilson, Senkler & Bloomfield, explaining at length the Council's power to regard to the future control and operation of the Ferry Service. On the suggestion of Alderman Dick, the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the correspondence to each member of the Council and consideration of same was postponed until Thursday night.

An application received from James Grant for the position of City Teamster was referred to the road foreman to deal with.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Young, resolved that Tender of E.J. Peck for the construction of wooden sidewalks in the City during the year 1909 at Two Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$2.90) for 1000 feet, B.M., be accepted.

On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman McNeish, resolved that the Tender of Messrs. Pain & McMillan, Local Agents for the Canadian Pipe Co. Ltd. for 12,500 feet wood pipe as per Tender, March 16, 1909, be accepted.

On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman McNeish, resolved that the Tender of Lettson & Burpee Ltd. for Cast Iron Wood Pipe Specials, at price of One hundred and ninety-seven (\$197) be accepted.

On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman McNeish, resolved that Tender of the North Vancouver Hardware Co. Ltd. for 16 Gate Valves at One hundred and ninety-four dollars and fifty-four cents (\$194.54) be accepted.

The report of the Public Health Committee as contained in the Committee's Minute of 26th March last, was read and adopted.

Alderman Young reported that the Telephone Company was at present making extensive improvements on their lines, that he hoped to be able to induce the Company to reduce the toll between North Vancouver and Vancouver from ten cents for three minutes to two cents for five minutes; and to run a new cable of twelve wires across the First Narrows.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman McNeish, the Council awarded a vote of thanks for his efforts, and referred the matter of improving the Telephone Service back to him for completion.

Alderman McNeish in reporting for the Advertising Committee urged the Council to set aside a suitable grant for advertising purposes.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman McNeish, this matter was referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

Alderman Schultz advocated the holding of Bank Contests during the summer months and on motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Young, the proposal was referred to the Publicity Committee to obtain all information and report.

On motion, it was resolved to ask the Contractors for 3rd Street Local Improvement, to meet the Council on Thursday Night with a view to some arrangement being arrived at regarding the completion of the Contract.

Bylaw No. 64 - being a bylaw to repeal Local Improvement Debenture Bylaws Numbers 2, 3, 4 and 5, was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Local Improvement Debenture Bylaws Numbers 2, 3, 4 and 5, were reintroduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

On motion of Alderman Young seconded by Alderman Dick, the Engineer was instructed to report on the cost of a rock crushing plant, the cost of operating same, and on the most suitable location for a Quarry.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: William H. May, Mayor