

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON THURSDAY THE 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1910
AT 9 O'CLOCK, P.M.**

Acting Mayor McRae presiding and all the Aldermen present.

There was also present a number of Property Owners from the South Side of First Street, who together with the Council took up consideration of the Proposition to widen First Street East to a width of 100 feet.

Mr. E. Buchan, representing the Bank of Hamilton upon being called upon to address the Meeting explained that his Bank originally owned 100 feet square of the Corner of 1st Street at Lonsdale Avenue, but had since disposed of 62 ½ feet of the Southerly portion of their Lot, leaving the Bank with 37 ½ feet frontage on Lonsdale Avenue, and if 20 feet were to be taken off for the width of the Street, it only left the Bank with 17 ½ feet on which to erect a building. He and the Party to whom the Bank sold were entirely opposed to the proposition to widen the Street for the above reasons and as a matter of necessity; also because it was thought 80' was more than a reasonable width for the Street.

Among other Property Owners who addressed the Council and offered suggestions were M.S. McDowell, G.C. Cooper and R.J. Murray.

It was finally decided, however, on motion of Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman McNeish that the matter be dropped.

Signed: G.W. McNeish, Acting Mayor