

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 7th DAY OF MARCH, 1910 AT 8 O'CLOCK, P.M.

His Worship Mayor May presiding and all the Aldermen present.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 28th February last were read and on motion adopted.

A Delegation of Indian Chiefs from Squamish Mission Reserve were heard in reference to the question of 3rd Street through the Indian Reserve. Chief Jimmy Harry informed the Council that a Meeting of the Members of the Tribe had been held, at which it was decided to withdraw their demands for free water and light, and to ask instead compensation for the land to be taken for the extension of the Street at the rate of \$10,000 per acre. The City Engineer advised that the area comprised in the proposed extension of 3rd Street was about 2 ½ acres. After a general expression of opinion, Alderman McNeish moved that the offer of the Indians be rejected.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and unanimously agreed to.

A Letter was read from H.L. Radermacher, notifying Council that unless an immediate settlement of the purchase of his property Lots 2, 3, 8 & 9, Block 206, as a School site was made, he would consider himself at liberty to do as he considered expedient in the matter.

Mr. Radermacher, who was present, pointed out that three months had elapsed since the option on his property was given, and that he had been under the impression that final settlement would be made on 28th February last.

The Mayor reported that it would be impossible for the City to make a final settlement for at least two or three weeks, but that the Bank had meantime consented to advance \$6,000 on account which sums Mr. Radermacher refused to accept, and gave the City one more week in which to complete the deal.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Schultz the matter was finally referred to the Finance Committee, and his Worship the Mayor to make arrangements with the Bank for the advancement of the required money after consultation with the Board of City School Trustees.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From H.R. Reddy, offering to sell to the City, the Alley in rear of Lots 1 & 2, & 21 & 22, Block 116, D.L. 274, for the sum of \$50 Cash. Laid over for later consideration.

From Wm. Morden asking Council to open up the Alley in rear of his property at the corner of 3rd Street and Lonsdale Avenue. Referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

From Alex Philip, C.J.C. advising:

1. Re Provincial University

This matter had been referred to the Finance Committee of the District Council to confer with the Committee from the City Council and other Public Bodies.

2. Re Road to Cemetery

The Board of Works of the District Council had been instructed to confer with a Committee from the City Council as to this matter.

3. Re New City Water Main etc.

That this matter would be considered by the District Council at a meeting to be held this evening. Filed.

From Alex Philip conveying thanks of District Council for action taken by the City Council in regard to Municipal Elections Bill.

From City Engineer Hanes:

1. Advising that he had prepared, and had in readiness for submission to the Council, profiles of the Grade of Lonsdale Avenue from Upper Keith Road to the City Limits. Filed for future reference.
2. Advising that the water being used in general was quite a high rate per capita, and that a considerable quantity was being wasted by open taps etc; and recommending that a Plumbing Inspector be appointed so that the water services may be made more efficient, such Inspector to act as Inspector of Septic Tanks, and the plumbing connected therewith. Referred to Committee of the whole.
3. Recommending that the Council purchase a Team of horses and Dump Wagon for the use of the Board of Works Department. Referred to Committee of the whole.
4. Reporting that the B.C.E.R. Co's Contractors in Lynn Valley had fallen a large tree across the City's Water Main, and as a consequence damaged the pipe to such an extent that it necessitated the water being shut off for some time to repair the same. The Bill of cost for repairs amounted to \$41.70, which the Clerk was directed to forward to the Company for collection.

From C.W. Knight, asking permission to remove some earth from a cut to be made on the Keith Road to complete the boulevard and grading of his property, Lot 15, Block 65, D.L. 271. Referred to City Engineer.

Local Improvement Requisition No. 1.

A requisition was presented from Property Owners on Keith Road requesting Council to grade Keith Road to its full width; to construct a 6' Concrete Sidewalk on each side of the Road, and to macadamize the Roadway, 40 feet in width from the East Line of Victoria Park, to the West Line of Queensbury Avenue.

The Requisition was referred to the Clerk to ascertain and report whether it was sufficiently signed according to the provisions of Bylaw No. 90, and the City Engineer was directed to report on the advisability of constructing wider sidewalks than that petitioned for.

A petition was received from forty property owners on 4th Street, informing Council that it was their desire to have 4th Street made 100 feet wide instead of 80 feet as at present, that the property owners were willing to give 10 feet of their property on each side of the Street for the purpose, and requesting Council to furnish them with a proper form of petition in this matter.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Smith, the Board of Works Committee was directed to consult with the City Solicitor, and furnish the Petitioners with the information desired.

A Petition signed by fourteen property owners was presented for the opening up, clearing and rough-grading of 6th Street, and the laying of 4' sidewalk from St. Andrew's to the City Boundary. The petition was referred to the Board of Works Committee for consideration.

Mr. Bridgeman was heard on behalf of the North Vancouver Land & Improvement Co. with reference to the Council's wishes regarding the extension of existing Avenues in the sub-division of portions of District Lots 544, 545 & 546.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish, the Park Committee was appointed to confer with the Officers of the Land Co. in regard to this matter and granted authority to settle the matter finally on behalf of the City.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish, the Finance Committee was appointed to act with Committees from other public bodies in an endeavour to secure the Provincial University for North Vancouver.

On the suggestion of Councillor Bridgeman, the Committees decided to meet on Wednesday Evening at 5 o'clock.

Mr. P. Larson asked Council to consider the matter of improving 5th Street, West, from Mahon Avenue to the Keith Road.

On motion of Alderman Irwin this matter was referred to the Board of Works Committee with power to act.

Plans of a proposed sub-division of N Portion of D.L. 616, and the re-subdivision of Lots 1 and 32, Block 6, D.L. 616, were referred to the City Engineer for report.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General & Police) Board of Works (General and Local Improvement) Water Works, Fire & Light and Public Health

Committees on due accounts were submitted and read to the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the amounts following, viz:

Finance	\$396.53
Police	13.20
Board of Works	325.97
Local Improvement	52.15
Water Works	707.95
Fire & Light	273.05
Public Health	15.00
	\$1,783.85

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of this date was read to the Meeting.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation the matter of the Wharf at the end of Lonsdale Avenue referred to in the Auditors' report was considered by the Council, and it was decided that the City claim an equity in the new wharf to the amount shown in the City's books as the value of the present wharf. The Committee's recommendation that 10% depreciation be written off the Water Works valuation was not accepted by the Council. The Council being of the opinion that the valuation at present appearing in the City's Books was a very conservative one.

The Committee's recommendation with regard to the apportionment of the services of the City Stenographer was laid over for future consideration.
The remainder of the Committee's report was on motion adopted.

The Reports of the Board of Works, Water Works & Public Health Committees as contained in the Committees Minutes of this date were read and on motion adopted.

Mr. J. Balfour Ker was heard in reference to the establishment of a grade on the Esplanade, and its relation to the Railroad levels.
On motion of Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Irwin it was resolved to ask the Minister of Railways to fix the line of the Railroad level above High Water Mark.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Smith, the Board of Works Committee was asked to report on the advisability of opening up the Esplanade through Lonsdale Gardens.

On motion of Alderman Irwin it was resolved to call applications for the position of Caretaker of the Grand Boulevard & Parks in the City.

Bylaw No. 99 "The Streets Improvements Loan Bylaw, 1910", was read a third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 100, The Schools Extraordinary Expenditure Loan Bylaw 1910 was also read a third time and passed by the Council. The Clerk was directed to publish the Bylaws in a Vancouver Daily Paper, and it was decided that a vote of the Electors be taken on the Bylaws on 23rd March.

The City Clerk was appointed to act as Returning Officer with the usual powers in that behalf.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Fowler, the Board of Works Committee was empowered to purchase a team of Horses at a price not exceeding \$800.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fowler, the Board of Works was empowered to purchase a Dump Wagon for hauling gravel etc.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Smith, the Chairman of the Finance Committee was empowered to purchase a Clock for use in the City Hall.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor