

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 14th 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 7<sup>th</sup> inst. were read and on motion adopted.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From E. Buchan, Agent, Bank of Hamilton, Vancouver, indicating that the Bank would be willing to dedicate 10 feet off its property at the corner of Lonsdale Avenue and First Street for sidewalk purposes if the City would allow the Bank to project about 9 inches on First Street and Lonsdale Avenue in order to accommodate the bases of two large columns to be erected at the entrance to the Bank building according to plan submitted. On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish resolved that the proposition submitted by the Bank be accepted by the Council and that the thanks of the Council be tendered to Mr. Buchan for the courtesy and assistance rendered by him in this matter.

From Hon. F. Carter Cotton intimating that the Attorney-General considers the amendment made by him to sub-section 4 of Section 50 of the Municipal Clauses Act covers all the requirements that will arise in connection with the proposed Bridge Company. Filed.

From R.H. Tarn offering to buy horse belonging to City for \$20. On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Smith, resolved that offer be accepted.

From C.A. Lindsay complaining of water flowing over his property on 12<sup>th</sup> Street from the overflowing of ditch on 13<sup>th</sup> Street and making application for a sidewalk on the north side of 12<sup>th</sup> Street east of St. Georges. Referred to Board of Works.

From Board of Police Commissioners forwarding estimates of Police Expenditures for the year 1910 amounting to \$4,856.50 which were referred to the Finance Committee and asking the Council to enquire into the sanitary condition of a certain shack on 14<sup>th</sup> Street which was referred to the Public Health Committee for report, also urging the Council to immediately provide a dumping ground for garbage. Commissioners to be advised that such was already provided for.

From J.H. Senkler, ex-City Solicitor, acknowledging receipt of resolution dispensing with his services, and stating that he was of the opinion that the business of the City of North Vancouver had always been attended to promptly in his Office and forwarding Bill of Costs, including Retainer for this year for settlement. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From City Engineer Hanes pointing out that the construction of the proposed main sewer calls for an expenditure of about \$54,225, \$40,000 of which is to be provided for by main sewer loan Bylaw and that it will be necessary to arrange for the balance to carry out the proposed work, and assessment on the fronting property. Referred to Alderman Schultz and City Clerk for report.

From City Engineer informing Council that the Registrar had notified him that the present form of certificate being attached to Plans for registration was not correct and that he was of the opinion that Plans did not need to be submitted to the Council for approval except in certain cases. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

A statement from the month of January of the Receipts and Expenditures of the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited was read to the meeting and filed.

Mayor May referred feelingly to the death of Mr. W.P. Peacey who for many years had acted as Secretary of the Board of School Trustees. Alderman Irwin moved and Alderman Schultz seconded a resolution of deepest sympathy to the bereaved family and that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Mrs. Peacey. It was arranged that the Council attend the funeral of the deceased in a Body.

The Mayor reported a proposal placed in his hands regarding the extension of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street through the Indian Reserve. The proposition was not considered by the Council.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin, it was resolved that all Plans be laid over for consideration in Committee of the Whole.

Street Improvement Requisition No. 2.

A Requisition was presented from property owners on Fifth Street asking the Council to grade Fifth Street, full width, construct a 6 ft concrete sidewalk on each side of said Street and to macadamize the roadway 36 ft in width from the east side of Mahon Avenue to the west side of St. David's 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.

The Clerk reported that he had found upon examination that Street Improvement Requisition No. 1 was not sufficiently signed.

It was explained however that additional signatures would be forthcoming at once and further consideration of the Requisition was laid over for one week.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General and School Trustees), Board of Works and Water Works 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 - General	\$42.08
Finance - Schools	15,900.00

Board of Works	293.40
Board of Works	750.00
Water Works	672.95

The Chairman of the Board of Works reported purchase of team of horses from J.H. Brooks Ltd. Vancouver at \$750 which purchase was on motion confirmed by the Council and payment of the purchase price authorized.

The Report of the Water Works Committee as contained in the Committees Minute of this date was read to and accepted by the Council.

Alderman Fowler moved that the Board of Works be empowered to engage as many men as can be worked to advantage and proceed with the clearing of some of the streets in the City. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

Alderman Irwin brought to the attention of the Council the unsafe condition of the bridge on Larson Road damaged some 2 years ago by fire and moved that the reconstruction of the bridge on Larson Road be referred to the Board of Works and City Engineer for report.

The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

Alderman Schultz moved that the matter of obtaining Streets through the Indian Reserve be referred to a Special Committee of the Council to draft a Memorial for presentation to the Dominion Government.

Alderman Irwin seconded and the motion carried.

Alderman McNeish moved that Alderman Schultz, Alderman Smith and Alderman Irwin, be appointed as the Committee.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Fowler and agreed to.

The matter of approaching the B.C. Electric Rly Co. and the Ferries Co. with reference to arrangements being made to handle summer traffic on street cars and ferry systems was referred to the Transportation Committee for action.

The Mayor supported unanimously by the Council condemned the action of some Real Estate firms in the City who keep their offices open on Sunday.

The question of moveable sign boards being left standing on the sidewalk overnight and on Sunday and of the numerous signs being plastered up on in Public Places was discussed and referred to the Police Commissioners for action.

Upon complaint being made regarding the unsafe condition of a house on 12<sup>th</sup> Street Alderman Fowler moved that the Chief of the Fire Brigade be asked to inspect the premises and if he considers there is probable danger from fire that he report to the Chief of Police for action.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish it was resolved that the afternoon of Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> next be observed as Arbor Day in the City. The Board of Works and City Engineer were appointed a Committee to act along with the Horticultural Board in making arrangements for planting trees, etc.

Mr. Gill enquired what Council intended doing with regard to remedying the evil of Septic Tanks on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street discharging on the Street. This matter was referred to the Public Health Committee with power to consult the Medical Health Officer and report back to the Council.

On motion of Alderman Schultz the Board of Works was empowered to take all steps necessary to complete the conditions of the Heywood Park Agreement, and the Clerk was directed to ask the District Council to make connection with the roadway through the Park from Keith Road. The Council then took up Consideration of the letter and Bill of Costs received from J.H. Senkler and after it was explained that he had been retained as Solicitor for one year which year was not yet complete and paid one year's retainer, the Clerk was instructed to reply accordingly.

Alderman Smith moved that the Clerk call Applications for the position of Water Works Foreman at a salary of \$125 per month, the City Engineer being of the opinion that a competent man could not be got for less salary. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

Alderman McNeish moved that the Road Foreman's salary be increased to \$100 per month from 1<sup>st</sup> March to 31<sup>st</sup> October and to \$80 per month from 1<sup>st</sup> November to end of February. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to.

Alderman Irwin moved that the Foremen of the different departments both present and future come under the direct supervision of the City Engineer who is hereby given power to discharge them if he sees so fit. Any new appointments to be received the approval of the Council.

The communication received from the City Engineer in regard to the passage of sub-division plans was next considered. It was decided that in future the provisions of Sections 249 & 250 of the Municipal Clauses Act be strictly observed and in addition that all Plans before being finally passed upon by the Mayor or City Engineer be submitted to the Council for approval.

Alderman Smith reported that the Special Committee of the Council waited upon Mr. Mahon who had agreed to show all streets in the sub-division of portion of D.L.'s 544, 545 & 546 in direct continuation of existing streets and a width of 80 feet, and that he had consented to take into consideration the matter of granting Council an opportunity to purchase Park and School sites at reasonable prices.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor