

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 4th DAY OF APRIL, 1910 AT 8 O'CLOCK, P.M.

His Worship Mayor May presiding and all the Aldermen present.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 30th March last were read and on motion adopted.

Communications were read and disposed of as follows:

From the Contract Record, Toronto, asking to be furnished with comparative building statistics in North Vancouver for first three months of present year and that of 1909, and with information as to building conditions and prospects. Clerk instructed to furnish desired information.

From James Bertram, Secretary, Carnegie, Library Trust with form to be filled up giving particulars regarding Councils appeal for a grant in aid of a Free Public Library. Referred to Committee of the whole.

From Dr. Fegan, Provincial Medical Health Officer, with form in which to return Annual Report on Health of the City for the year 1909. Referred to Medical Health Officer and Public Health Committee.

From J. Balfour Ker again asking to be furnished with requisite grades on Esplanade for brick building to be erected by him on Lots 20-21, Block 165, D.L. 274.

After Hearing a report from the City Engineer relative to this grade, Alderman Irwin moved that a Bylaw be introduced later to establish a permanent grade on the Esplanade according to the profile prepared by the City Engineer. The motion was seconded by Alderman McNeish and agreed to.

From City Engineer inquiring if \$2.50 per day of light hours complied with the Statutes in respect to workmen employed on Municipal Contracts being paid the current rate of wages. The Council considered that provisions of Municipal Clauses Act govern this point sufficiently.

From City Engineer reporting on Street Improvements requisition No. 3, being the grading and macadamizing of Lonsdale Avenue from 13th to 18th Streets, and the construction of 6' Concrete Sidewalks on each side of the Avenue. The Engineer estimated the cost of the work at \$24,390; the lifetime twenty years or more, and recommended that the City pay 40 per cent of \$9,750, and that the balance \$14,630 be chargeable against fronting or abutting property.

From City Engineer reporting on the construction of Sewers under the initiative on Lonsdale Avenue 13th to 18th, the work to consist of constructing sewers for

the drainage of benefited property and streets at an estimated cost of \$16,000. The lifetime of the work to be placed at 20 years or more. The Engineer recommended that the City pay 50 percent of this work. On motion of Alderman Irwin the reports were received and referred to Committee of the whole.

A requisition was presented from several property owners in the vicinity asking Council to build a 4' sidewalk on the North side of 9th Street, between St. Andrews and Ridgeway Avenues. On motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Smith this petition was referred to Board of Works to report upon.

From J.D. foreman making application for the sidewalk to be extended at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue on the East side to accommodate a number of new offices recently erected there. On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fowler referred to Board of Works with power to act.

G.C. Cooper was present and entered protest against vehicles being allowed to stand on the Esplanade and garbage being dumped in the Ravine near St. George's Avenue. On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish resolved that communication be sent to Police Commissioners asking them to give this complaint immediate attention.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General, Police and School Trustees), Board of Works (General), Water Works, Fire and Light and Public Health Committees, were submitted and read to the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the amounts following, viz:

Finance	\$859.85
Police	522.10
School Trustees	625.00
Board of Works	1,174.56
Water works	1,439.16
Fire and Light	418.74
Public Health	<u>50.00</u>
	<u>\$5,089.41</u>

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of this date was read and on motion adopted, as was also the report of the Water Works and Fire & Light Committees.

The report of the Board of Works was read and passed with the exception that the Committees recommendation in regard to the application made by W. Morden to have the boulevard in front of his property cleared was referred to the Committee with power to act, and in connection with the offer made by the N.V.

Land & Improvement Co. to clear the extension of the Grand Boulevard and streets in D.L. 544, 545, 546, & 547. On the suggestion of Alderman Irwin, the Clerk was directed to communicate with the Company, and ascertain the probable area of clearing work they propose doing this year, and whether the Company would accept City Debentures in payment of work which may be done.

The Clerk gave in the following report on Street Improvement Requisitions Numbers 1 and 2, that in the case of No. 1, the property affected was of the assessed value of \$48,630 and that the requisition had been signed by Owners representing \$16,640 of that value.

That in the case of No. 2, the Property benefited was of the assessed value of \$101, 420 and the requisition had been signed by Owners representing \$36,790. Alderman Irwin expressed himself as being of the opinion that the Council would be justified in taking the initiative in both these improvements as works of necessity, and Alderman Fowler suggested that Keith Road be improved from Mahon Avenue to the Easterly City Boundary.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Irwin, the requisitions were referred to the Board of Works Committee and City Engineer to bring in estimates of the cost.

On motion of Alderman Irwin the matter of taking the initiative in the improvement of some of the most necessary Streets in the City was referred to the Board of Works Committee and City Engineer to report upon.

On motion of Alderman McNeish the Clerk was instructed to notify the "Employers Liability Company" of the accident which befell the City Teamster on 26th March last.

On motion of Alderman Irwin, Alderman Schultz was added to the Committee appointed to draft an amendment to the Local Improvement General Bylaw.

Alderman Fowler moved that Mr. Harpur, of the firm of McCrossan and Harpur, be retained as City Solicitor at a salary of \$400 per annum. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae.

Alderman Smith moved as an amendment, that applications be called for the position of City Solicitor, and that applicants be asked to state salary expected. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin.

On the division there voted:

For the amendment:

Alderman Smith
Alderman Irwin
Alderman McNeish
Alderman Schultz

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And for the motion

The amendment was declared carried.

The advisability of changing the name of the City was discussed; also the matter of taking steps to include additional territory within the City Limits.

Alderman McRae submitted a form of Bylaw to regulate laundries, which was referred to the Public Health Committee for advisement.

Alderman Fowler gave notice that at next meeting he would move a motion that the Boulevards on all Streets be cleared for two blocks East and West of Lonsdale Avenue, and beyond that in front of every residence or where a building is intended to be erected.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Schultz, the Council decided to ask bids from the local Banks for the purchase of the debentures to be issued under Bylaw Numbers 99 and 100.

The matter of a grant towards the construction of the 2nd Narrows Bridge was discussed.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Fowler, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with Reeve McNaught and ascertain what means of communication the City will have with the Bridge when erected.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish, His Worship, the Mayor was appointed a Committee of one to arrange a Conference between the delegates from the City and District Councils and the Board of Trade in the Bridge Matters.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor