

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 11<sup>th</sup> 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 the 4<sup>th</sup>, and of the special Meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> April current were read and on Motion adopted.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From Mrs. Peacy, expressing on behalf of herself and family, heart felt appreciation for kind sympathies extended in their recent sad bereavement.  
Filed.

From H.S. Cayley, Secretary, pro-tem, advising that, at a Public Meeting held in Vancouver, a resolution was passed to the effect that, in the opinion of the Meeting, the Site of the University of British Columbia, should be on the lower mainland, and that a meeting of the General Committee, representing the Towns and Municipalities Educational and Semi-Public Bodies of the Lower Mainland would be held in Vancouver on Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April at which it was hoped Council would have a representative present.

The Mayor appointed Alderman McRae as representative from this Council and Alderman Schultz was appointed representative from the University Site Committee of the Council.

From R.C. MacDonald, Indian Agent, New Westminster, forwarding copy resolution passed by the Squamish Mission Indians on the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. consenting to the surrender of a Right-of-Way through their Reserve for street purposes in the terms and conditions agreed upon with the Council and advising that the original of the document will be forwarded to the Department at Ottawa for its consideration, and Council will be advised of its decision in the matter. Filed.

From J.B. Paine, Secretary, N.V. Yacht Club, informing Council that it was the intention of the Club to build a floating wharf at the foot of Chesterfield Avenue to their Boat House, and requesting that the Street End be cleared and graded.  
Referred to Board of Works to report.

From Wallace Shipyards Ltd., bringing to Council's attention the need for better fire protection in the neighbourhood of their yards.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Fowler, Water Committee authorized to install a Fire Hydrant.

From Alex Philip, Hon. Sec. Joint Civic Advertising Committee, wishing to know what contribution Committee can rely on from City Council to carry on work of

advertising this year, and advising that Messrs. Perry & Morden had been directed to confer with the Council on the subject.

From Alex Philip, C.M.C. advising that the District Council was:

1. Prepared to direct execution of the conveyances giving specific performance of the provisions of the Incorporation Act, so soon as these were prepared and approved by their Solicitor.
2. That the District Council was perfectly willing to co-operate with the City Council as far as possible in the matter of boundary roads and streets.
3. That, in regard to the Water Agreement, the existing arrangement had not had a fair trial, and suggesting that before any change is made an attempt should be made to work out the present one. That the District Council be given instructions to install meters at every point where necessary, and to have the by-passes sealed by the City Engineer, that, at the end of three months be jointly read and an average struck which can quite in the settlement of all water rates past due.
4. Regretting to learn of damage done to City's Telephone Line, and that matter was being brought before the Hastings Shingle Co., who were being held responsible for any damage caused.

From N.V. Land and Improvement Co. Ltd. advising that they would be willing to accept debentures of the City bearing 5% interest for any boulevard or street clearing which may be done by them in District Lots 544, 545, 546, & 550, and that they did not expect to do a great deal of clearing this year. The Agreement would be drawn up between the City and the Company, in the same manner as was previously done, and forwarded in due course for approval and execution. Filed.

From Thos. Prime, Fire Chief, asking Council to hasten the supply of Fire Equipment promised early in the year.

Alderman Fowler explained that, so soon as monies realized from sale of debentures were forthcoming, this matter would have the immediate attention of the Fire Committee.

From N.V. Ratepayer's Association with resolution to the effect "that it was considered advisable that a local Resident lawyer should be appointed to fill the position of City Solicitor, and that it would be to the interests of the City to secure the services of Alderman Schultz in that capacity in view of his familiarity with the work".

From City Engineer Hanes reporting as follows on the construction of sewers on the Esplanade, First, Second and Third Streets under the initiative principle:

1. Esplanade from Forbes Avenue to East side of St. Georges Avenue.  
Estimated cost \$10,900. Life term - 20 years or more.  
City Frontage 800 lineal feet. Private Frontage 4700 feet.  
Cost to City \$1,585.00 Cost to Private Frontage \$9,315.00  
Cost per foot frontage \$2.00
2. First Street from Forbes Avenue to East side of St. Patrick's Avenue.  
Estimated Cost - \$18,625.00. Life time 20 years or more  
City frontage - 1160 feet. Private Frontage 8210 feet.  
City's share - \$2,320.00 Cost to Private Frontage \$16,305.00  
Cost per foot frontage - \$2.00.
3. Second Street from Forbes Avenue to 300' East of St. Andrew's Avenue.  
Estimated Cost - \$14,815.00. Life Time 20 years or more.  
City Frontage - 980 feet (Lin.) Private Frontage - 7,810 Lin. Feet.  
City's share - \$1,660.00. Cost to Private Frontage \$13,155.  
Cost per foot frontage - \$1.70.
4. Third Street from Forbes Avenue to East side of St. Andrew's Avenue.  
Estimated Cost - \$21,875.00. Life Time 20 years or more.  
City Frontage - 930 feet (Lin.) Private Frontage - 7,630 Lin. Feet.  
City's share - \$2,440.00. for Street and Lane Intersections.  
\$2155 extra over \$2.00 per foot. Total City's Share - \$4,555.  
Cost to Private Frontage \$17,320  
Cost per foot frontage - \$2.00.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Schultz, the reports were filed for future reference.

From T.C. Hold advising that an unsuccessful effort had been made to secure sufficient signatures to a Petition for the improvement of 5<sup>th</sup> Street, as it had been found impossible to locate the present Property Owners, and requesting, on behalf of the Petitioners that 5<sup>th</sup> Street be improved under the initiative plan from Mahon Avenue to Queensbury. Filed for future reference.

Petition, Nine property owners and residents on 5<sup>th</sup> Street, between St. David's and Henry Avenues asking for:

- (a) The placing of culverts at two distinct points on the road at the Creek crossings.
- (b) A two-plank sidewalk.
- (c) Suitable planking to be placed adjacent to the Car Rails on Queensbury Avenue.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McRae referred to Board of Works with power to act.

Street Improvement Requisition No. 4.

A Requisition was presented from Property Owners on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street requesting the Council to grade 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to a permanent grade, full width with wood curb, and to construct a 6' sidewalk on each side of the street from ST. David's avenue to the Easterly City boundary.

The requisition was referred to the City Clerk for report.

Mr. Bridgeman was present, and on behalf of the North Vancouver Land & Improvement Co. asked permission to make a jog in the extension of the Grand Boulevard at its intersection with 21<sup>st</sup> Street where at present exists a Rock Bluff. On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Smith the request was granted.

Mr. Perry and Mr. Morden were heard in reference to the application made by the Joint Civic Advertising Committee fro a Grant fro advertising purposes.

Alderman Irwin moved that an immediate grant of \$200 be made, and a further grant of \$300.00 so soon as \$1,000 is raised by private subscription, and grant from other public bodies.

The motion was seconded by Alderman McNeish and agreed to.

Mr. A.G. Perry brought to the attention of the Council, the danger which exists in allowing some large dead trees to stand on property close to Lonsdale Avenue on the East side from 17<sup>th</sup> Street North. On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin, referred to Board of Works with power to act.

A request was made by a prospective builder on Western Avenue to have the Avenue opened up between 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Streets to give access for building purposes.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Smith, referred to Board of Works with power to act, and with authority to call tenders for the work if considered advisable.

The following plans were considered and approved of by the Council:

Resubdivision of Lots 1 & 2, Block 133, D.L. 274.

Resubdivision of Lots 1 & 32, Block 6, D.L. 616

Proposed subdivision of Block 240, D.L. 545.

The Tender received from Robert Nelson for the clearing, grubbing and grading of 15<sup>th</sup> Street from the center line of Sutherland Avenue to Rufus Avenue at the price of \$800.00. On motion of Alderman McNeish and Alderman Schultz tender accepted by the Council.

Reports on due accounts by Board of Works and Water Works were passed for payment:

Board of Works	\$587.15
Water Works	<u>228.30</u>
	\$815.45

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of this date was read and on motion adopted.

The report of the Water Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of this date was also read and adopted.

The report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of this date was read and laid over for one week.

Alderman Schultz reported that the Committee, appointed to draft a Gas Franchise, would be in a position to report at the next Meeting. A copy of the Franchise, as drafted, would be sent to each Alderman for consideration in the meantime.

Alderman Fowler moved the motion of which notice had been previously given, viz, That the policy to be pursued hereafter by the Board of Works in clearing streets be, that the Boulevards on all streets running East and West from Lonsdale Avenue be cleared for two blocks and beyond that in front of every residence<sup>4</sup> or where a building is intended to be erected.

Alderman Schultz referred in fitting terms to the loss sustained by the Province in the tragic death of Mr. R.G. Tatlow, Ex-Minister of Finance in the Provincial Government, and moved a resolution of deepest sympathy with the widow and family of the deceased.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and passed.

On the question being brought up by Alderman Schultz, the Council were informed that a Meeting of the Dominion Day Celebration's Committee would be held on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, to consider plans for this year's Celebration.

Alderman Schultz reported that the Attorney General purposed making a tour of the Province to gather information regarding the establishment of Land Registry Offices, and on his motion seconded by Alderman McNeish, the City Clerk was instructed to extend an invitation to Mr. Bowser to visit North Vancouver and meet with the Council in regard to this matter.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Fowler, the Council resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the Bylaw establishing a General Grade on the Esplanade and other matters. Messrs. Bridgeman and

Balfour Ker were heard in reference to the established grade on Lonsdale Avenue and its effect on the Railroad grade, and the grade on the Esplanade.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Schultz, Council resolved to reconsider the grade established on Lonsdale Avenue. On motion of Alderman Irwin His Worship the Mayor was instructed to telegraph the Secretary of the Railroad Commission and find out the date of the Commission's next sitting in Vancouver.

After a general expression of opinion, Alderman Irwin moved that straight grades be established on all Streets running North from the Waterfront.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Fowler and unanimously agreed to. City Engineer Hanes wished it to be recorded that he did not recommend the adoption of straight Grades on North and South Streets.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare Bylaws to repeal the Bylaws formerly passed establishing grades on Lonsdale, First, Second and Third Streets; and to notify the Bank of Hamilton of the proposed change in the Grade at the Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Lonsdale Avenue. On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman McNeish, it was resolved that an easement in the Grade of Streets running East and West commence 200' on either side of Streets running North and South.

Bylaw No. 103, being a Bylaw to repeal Bylaw 90, the Local Improvement General Bylaw was read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Mayor May, Alderman Irwin, Alderman McNeish, Alderman Schultz and Alderman McRae were appointed Members of the Court of Revision for the Year 1910.

On motion of Alderman Smith the City Clerk was instructed to call tenders from the Local Banks for the purchase of \$42,200 Debentures to be issued under authority of Bylaws Nos. 99 and 100. Debentures to be lodged not later than 5 P.M. on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> inst; and His Worship the Mayor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee were instructed to wait upon the Managers of the Banks in reference to same, and the matter of obtaining temporary advances on works of Local Improvement.

Regarding the Conveyances from District council, carrying out the provisions of the Incorporation Acts, Alderman McNeish moved that Council ask the District solicitor to prepare same. The motion was agreed to.

The City Engineer reported that he had not yet received an opinion from Mr. Davis as to whether Council could construct a common and storm drainage sewer in one work.

He further reported that the cost of laying a cement sewer would figure out about \$2.00 per foot, and that of vitrified iron pipe at \$2.40 per foot.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor