

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 23rd DAY OF MAY, 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 the 16th inst were read and on motion adopted.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge, advising that they had passed favourably on the validity of Bylaws Numbers 99 and 100, and the Debentures to be issued thereunder, and that they were notifying the Bank to this effect. Filed.

From Alex Philip, C.M.C. suggesting a conference with the District Council on Thursday 26th inst. at 7 p.m. re the water main on Lynn Valley Road, and other matters of mutual interest. On motion of Alderman McNeish resolved that Council consent to conference with District Council as suggested.

From R.H. Sperling, General Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co. notifying Council that he had instructed their Engineer to forward to the Council, the Company's views regarding the desirability of maintaining the present grades on Lonsdale Avenue, and intimating his willingness to discuss with the Council at any time the Company's reasons for opposing bench grades. Filed.

From G.W.E. Moffat, Consulting Engineer, B.C. Electric Railway Co. referring to his interview with City Engineer Hanes regarding the question of grades in North Vancouver and advising that his Company would be only too glad to see any improvement made in North Vancouver, the only question being in this particular case, that in any rearrangement of grades his Company would not want to see the grades increased as the Council no doubt knew that to increase the grades on the North and South Streets would simply mean added risk in operation, and something which the Council would not care to have any more than his Company would care to. The B.C. Electric Railway Co. was trying to hold its stiffest grades for City Work wherever possible to below 6 ½%, and in fact had and is spending large sums of money to keep grades down to this limit, and pointing out that the present maximum grade on Lonsdale is something over 8% and that they had been advised that the arrangement suggested would mean a grade of over 10%. The only question that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. wished to call to the Council's attention, was the question of safety to the Public by this arrangement. Filed.

From C. Stanton, Assistant Deputy Minister of Marine & Fisheries, Ottawa, forwarding plan and description of Water Lot on Burrard Inlet applied for by Mr. Robert J. Hardy and asking Council to report whether they had any objection to

the grant, as applied for, being made or whether it would interfere in any way with navigation. Referred to City engineer for Report.

Street Improvement Requisition No. 5. Second Street Improvement from Lonsdale avenue to St. David's Avenue.

The Clerk reported that this requisition had been signed by three-fourth's of the Property Owners affected. Laid over for one week.

The Plan of subdivision of Lots 1 to 5, Block 29, D.L. 548, was again considered by the Council. A Letter was read from the City Engineer stating that he did not approve of the 10' lane shown on the plan.

On motion of Alderman Schultz the plan was referred back to the Owner for a 20' lane to be provided.

A letter was read from the City Engineer stating that he did not approve of the B.C. Electric grade on Fell Avenue, and pointing out that the profile did not state whether the grade line was the sub-grade on the finished grade and recommending that the 3% grades be adopted across the interesting Streets, at 17, 19th and 20th Streets, as such would avoid the necessity of the City paying for moving the Tracks when the said cross streets are improved and used for traffic. That from Keith Road to 16th Street the sub-grade should be used as a finished grade.

Consideration of this letter and the accompanying profile was laid over.

Reports and Recommendations by the Finance, Board of Works, Water Works and Police Committees on due accounts were submitted and read to the meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the Amounts following, namely:

Finance	\$49.96
Board of Works	843.65
Water Works	430.10
Police	15.15

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of this date was read. After considering the Committee's recommendation that the Council reconsider the adoption of the recommendation brought in by the Water Works Committee at last Meeting with reference to the clearing of rights of way for water mains.

Alderman McNeish moved that the resolution passed at last meeting dealing with this matter be rescinded, and that former conditions prevail. The motion was seconded by Alderman Fowler and agreed to. Alderman Smith dissenting. The remainder of the Committee's report was adopted.

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

Alderman McRae submitted a report from the Finance Committee re the striking of the Tax Rate for the current year. The report, which was contained in a communication to the Committee from the City Treasurer, set forth that the totals available for assessment for 1910 were as follows:

For General Purposes.....	\$5,378,824
For School Purposes.....	\$5,872,424

That the amount to be raised for interest and Sinking Fund on the City's General Indebtedness was \$43,533 less \$4,696, standing at the credit of this Account, necessitating a loan rate of 7 ¼ mills. The School Estimates for the year amounted to \$12,465 less a credit of \$4,315 and Government Grant of \$4,000, leaving a net amount to be raised for School purposes of \$4,149 which could be met by a ¾ mill rate.

The Total amount required for general purposes is \$70,446 divided up as follows:

Police	\$4,856
Water Works/Main.....	6,500
Fire & Light.....	7,400
Board of Health	2,000
Board of Works	33,000
Finance	<u>16,690</u>
	\$70,445

The estimated Revenue for the year was \$7,446, derived as follows:

Water Rates	\$6,000
Licenses	600
Police Fines	<u>846</u>
	\$7,446

leaving a balance of \$63,000 to be raised for general purposes.

A General Rate of 14.40 mills making a rate of 12 mills net after allowing for the Rebate of 1/6 would raise \$164,536 and thus leave a contingency fund of \$1,536. The committee recommended that the rate for the year 1910 be made up as follows:

Loan Rate	7 ¼ mills
School Rate	¾ mills
General Rate	<u>14 2/5 mills</u>
Total	22 2/5 mills or 20 mills net.

Alderman McRae moved the adoption of the Committee's report which was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

On motion of Alderman Fowler, it was agreed that in specifying the loan rate on the Tax Notice, it should clearly show that same included the Ferry Rate of some 2.50 mills.

Alderman Smith was appointed to inquire into the safety of an open well on property at the North East Corner of Jones and Keith Road.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Fowler the matter of constructing a box drain on the North side of 1st Street, W, was referred to the Board of Works with power to act.

The Council then took up consideration of the B.C. Electric Grade on Fell Avenue Extension.

Alderman McNeish moved that the Engineer's recommendation as to the grade being a finished grade as far as 16th Street, be accepted and that consideration of the other portion be deferred for one week. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to. After some further discussion, Alderman Schultz moved, seconded by Alderman Fowler that the resolution just passed be reconsidered. The motion on being put, carried. Alderman McRae dissenting. Alderman Irwin then moved that on the understanding, the grade shown on the profile submitted, is a surface grade, that Council approve of same as a temporary grade. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz but was ultimately withdrawn.

Alderman Irwin gave notice that at next Meeting he would move the following motion:

“That the City Engineer be instructed to prepare a plan of the City with all the latest subdivisions shown thereon”.

The City Engineer reported that according to instructions he had examined the Bridge at Keith Road and Delbruck Avenue and found same to be absolutely safe for Street Car traffic.

Estimate of Expenses for School Maintenance for the year 1910

North Vancouver School	per month	per year
Principal salary	125.00	1500.00
1 st Assistant Salary	90.00	1080.00
2 nd Assistant Salary	70.00	840.00
3 rd Assistant Salary	62.50	750.00
4 th Assistant Salary	60.00	720.00
5 th Assistant Salary	57.50	690.00
6 th Assistant Salary	50.00	600.00
One additional teacher for 5 months	50.00	250.00
Janitor's Salary	55.00	660.00
One High School Principal for 5 months	110.00	550.00
One High School Asst Principal for 5 months	90.00	450.00
One Public School Teacher North Lonsdale 9 months	50.00	450.00
Janitor North Lonsdale 5 months	50.00	250.00

Secretary Salary Lonsdale 5 months	20.00	240.00
Fuel North Vancouver School		200.00
Fuel North Lonsdale School		100.00
Desks & Blackboard		1200.00
School Supplies		100.00
Chairs and Tables and Extras		100.00
Lighting \$50.00 School Library \$50.00		100.00
Incidentals		350.00
Fire Insurance and Extra		400.00
Telephone in School		50.00
 Moody Ville		
Teacher's Salary	50.00	600.00
Janitor	5.00	60.00
Incidentals		125.00
Fuel		50.00
		<u>\$12,465.00</u>

Extraordinary Expenses

Purchasing School Site North Lonsdale		\$16,000.00
Clearing Site in D.L. 273		550.00
School Building for Public and High School		12,000.00
Two Room Addition North Vancouver School		3,500.00
School Building in D.L. 273		1,000.00
		<u>\$33,050.00</u>
 Expense of Bylaw		<u>150.00</u>
		33,200.00
Special Loan		<u>16,000.00</u>
		17,200.00
Add		<u>10,000.00</u>
		<u>\$27,200.00</u>

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor