

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL AND HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 25th DAY OF JULY 1910 AT 8 O'CLOCK, P.M.

His Worship May presiding and all the Aldermen present excepting Alderman Schultz.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 18th inst. were read and as amended, adopted.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From W.S. Compston, complaining of damage done to garden by cow roaming at large, and requesting that provisions of Pound Bylaw be enforced in Larson Road District. Referred to Pound Keeper.

From City Engineer Hanes recommending that Board of Works procure a suitable site for stables and storage ground for materials etc. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Engineer reporting that a large quantity of water was being wasted, and that the present system does not adequately supply the present needs, thereby leaving no surplus water available for settlers or for fire protection, and recommending that Waterworks Foreman Fox be granted authority to inspect the plumbing in all houses, building etc. throughout the City, and to notify owners where defective plumbing is found to have same repaired immediately or to turn off water until necessary repairs are made.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McRae resolved that recommendation of City Engineer be accepted and that authority be granted to Waterworks foreman to inspect and remedy plumbing as suggested.

From City Engineer recommending:

1. That the charge of \$20.00 per month at present made against the Water Works Department for salary of Mr. Gribble, Caretaker, Fire Hall, be discontinued, as Department was now sharpening its own tools.
2. That Fire Department pay to the Water Works Department \$20 per Hydrant per year for fire protection on 80 Hydrants on a total of \$1,600.00 for 1910.
3. That a suitable location be obtained for use of Water Works Department for storage and other purposes.

On motion of Alderman Irwin referred to Water Works Committee and Fire & Light Committee to bring in recommendation at next Meeting.

From D. Donaghy, Solicitor, notifying Council that he had been instructed by Mr. Reginald Burton to bring action against the City for \$141 damages sustained by Burton through his team running away on Lonsdale Avenue on 7th July last. It was alleged that the cause of the runaway was owing to the bad condition of the Avenue at 6th Street.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Irwin referred to City Solicitor of attention.

From City Engineer with letter received by him from E. Brigman making application for grade on South side of Esplanade. Laid over for later consideration.

From N.V. City Ferries Ltd. wishing to know if Council would grant the Company a lease for a term of years of St. Patrick's Avenue Street End on which to erect oil tanks.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fowler resolved that Board of Directors be invited to meet Council to discuss the terms and conditions of such a lease.

From Solicitor Reid re application of Robert J. Hardy for water lot, noting that the water is approximately 30 feet deep at low tide at a point about 600 ft. out from high water mark, and that apparently the channel is as pointed out by the City Engineer, and the Engineer for Mr. Hardy, and that it will be for the Council to decide whether they object to the granting of any Crown Grant for Water front or whether they are willing to accept them so long as the grant does not encroach upon the limit of proper navigation. Laid on the table.

From Solicitor Reid advising in re claim of C. Holtzman for damages, that he was of the opinion from the facts set out in Mr. Holtzman's letter that either the B.C. Electric Rly. Co. or the Builder who put vats of hot pitch on the roadway are responsible to him for damages and not the City.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin, resolved that Mr. Holtzman be informed that his remedy, if any, is against these parties, and that he be referred to them for compensation.

From A.J. Henderson, re establishment of grades on the Esplanade, stating that he had not had an opportunity of calling a Meeting of the Ratepayers Committee to discuss the matter, but that he had however seen two members of the Committee, and that while appreciating the courtesy of the Council in consulting the Committee they felt somewhat diffident in making such a recommendation, as the Council suggested, as the Committee had no mandate or instruction from the Ratepayers to adjudicate on matters that can only be legally settled by the Council, they had however had an interview with the City Engineer, Mr. Henderson personally had studied the profile of the grade of the Esplanade.

The Committee had arrived at the conclusion that in all grades for Streets the intermediate points should be made subservient to the whole, and that such matters should be left to the skill and judgement of the City Engineer.
On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Irwin this Communication was filed.

A petition was presented from James Philip and eleven other members of the Clearing Gang requesting that the present rate of wages be increased from 31 ¼ to 35' per hour.
On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin the petition was laid over for later consideration.

Mr. W.J. Dick, was heard in reference to petition presented some two years ago for the Block-paving of 1st Street between Chesterfield and St. Andrews Avenue. It was explained to Mr. Dick that the petition referred to had by order of the Council been returned to the Petitioners owing to the Bylaw under which it was presented, having been rendered ultra vires

A Plan of subdivision of Block 122, D.L. 271 previously certified by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman McNeish passed by the Council.

A Plan of the proposed subdivision of Lot 6, Block 18, D.L. 549 with accompanying letter from City Engineer was laid over.

A Plan of the re-subdivisiion of Lots 1 and 2, Block 133, D.L. 274, was on motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman McRae, approved by the Council.

A report and recommendation by the Finance Committee on the following due account was submitted and read to the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the a/co, viz:

Finance	\$40.00
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The report of the Finance Committee, of the Board of Works Committee, and of the Water Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of this date were used to and adopted by the Council.

Alderman Fowler reported that the Fire & Light Committee recommended that applications be called for the position of Fire Chief at a salary at the rate of \$80.00 per month, and that the salary of Firemen to commence with be \$60.00 per month.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Smith the Committee's recommendation was accepted by the Council.

Alderman Irwin reported that the Water Works Foreman recommended the installation of fourteen additional fire hydrants throughout the City, and moved that the Council approve of the recommendation.

The motion was seconded by Alderman McNeish and agreed to.

Alderman Fowler moved that applications be called for the position of Fire chief at a Salary at the rate of \$80.00 per month.

Applications to be lodged by 8th August. The motion was seconded by Alderman McNeish and agreed to.

Bylaw No. 114 - The Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Co. Shares Agreement Purchase Bylaw, 1910, was read a third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 115 - The Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Co. Shares Purchase Loan Bylaw, 1910, was also read a third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 116 - A Bylaw establishing a general grade and levels etc. on Lonsdale Avenue, between 13th and 18th Streets, was read, reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the Bylaw and the Clerk to affix the Corporate Seal thereto.

Bylaw No. 117, A Bylaw establishing a General Grade and levels etc. on 11th Street from Lonsdale Avenue to St. George's Avenue, was also read, reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council and authorized to be signed and sealed as above.

Bylaw No. 118, A Bylaw establishing a general grade on 1st Street from Lonsdale Avenue to Forbes Avenue, was also read, reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council and authorized to be signed and sealed as above.

Bylaw No. 119 being a Bylaw to establish a General Grade and to regulate the level, width, surface, and inclination of the Roadway and Sidewalks on that portion of the Esplanade from Forbes Avenue to St. Patrick's Avenue was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Alderman McNeish moved that the matter of providing suitable light for the Band. Stand at present being erected in Victoria Park be referred to the Light Committee with power to act.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

The Council then went into committee of the whole to confer with the School Trustees regarding a loan for increased extraordinary expenditures.

Chairman Steacey explained that at a Meeting of the Board of School Trustees held the previous evening, tenders were opened for a new School Building proposed to be erected on Upper Lonsdale, and that the road favourable offer was found to greatly exceed the amount originally set report for the building in the annual estimates owing to the increased cost of labour, material, etc. That

to enable the Board to have the work executed in accordance with drawings and specifications on which the offer was based, it would be necessary to provide \$10,000 additional, the School Board requested Council to submit a Bylaw for the assent of the Electors to authorize the proposed expenditures and the borrowing of the necessary money therefore.

The Council expressed themselves as being in favour of the Board entering into a Contract for the erection of the Building, and gave instructions to have a Bylaw prepared to authorize the borrowing of \$10,000.00 for school purposes.

Alderman Smith moved that Mr. G.E. Mann, be notified that, in the opinion of the Board of Health, the water flowing in the Creek on 17th Street was unfit for cooking or drinking purposes, and that she be prohibited from using the Water. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Irwin the Chief of Police was empowered to make arrangements for the removal of the collection of garbage in rear of the Keith Block.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin, the Petition received from clearing gang for raise in wages was filed.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Smith it was resolved that this Council take the initiative and proceed with the construction of the combined Main and Common Sewer on Forbes Avenue, and the Common Sewers on the Esplanade, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Streets under the local improvement sections of the Act, and that the City assume the extra cost of the Main Sewer over and above the cost of the lateral.

On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Irwin the Clerk was directed to notify Mr. McNair that this Council has decided to use vitrified clay pipe in the construction of Sewers in this City.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor