

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

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

The following telegram received from Alderman Schultz, was read to the Meeting:

“Victoria, August 8th, 1910
Thos. Shepherd, City Clerk.
I hereby tender my resignation as alderman. Letter follows.
S.D. Schultz”

The Council were of the opinion that, before taking action on this resignation, satisfactory reasons should be forthcoming from Alderman Schultz, and on motion of Alderman Fowler, seconded by Alderman Irwin it was resolved to lay the telegram on the table till next meeting.

Thereafter, communications were received, and disposed of, as follows:

From F.C. Gamble, Public Works Engineer, acknowledging, in the absence of the Minister of Public Works, letter received, respecting the securing of a right-of-way for street purposes, through the Squamish Mission Indian Reserve, which would be placed before the Minister on his return. Filed.

From Wm. L. Keene, President North Vancouver Horticultural Society, advising that the Annual Exhibition of the Society is to be held on 9th and 10th September next, and asking the Council to make its usual donation in support of same. Alderman Smith moved that the usual grant of \$____ be made to the Horticultural Society. The motion was seconded by Alderman Fowler and agreed to.

From A.E. foreman, making application for permission to construct a septic tank, under the sidewalk on First Street, to connect with a building at present being erected by him on Lot 23, Block 156, D.L. 274, and to have the street rough graded, to conform to the new grade, which places the store floor below the present level.

Alderman McNeish moved that permission be granted to construct the septic tank, under the supervision of the City Engineer, the same to be removed at the owner's expense, when sewer is installed on First Street. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to. Alderman Smith dissenting.

The Chairman of the Board of Works gave it as his opinion that the streets could not be rough graded to permanent level until permanent work undertaken.

From J. Clarke, making application for permission to place a septic tank under the sidewalk on First Street to connect with the building now being erected on Lot 34, Block 154, D.L. 274, to be connected up with City Sewerage when installed.

Alderman Fowler moved that permission be granted to construct tank, under the supervision of the City Engineer, the same to be removed at owner's expense, when sewer is installed on First Street.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. with reference to a request made of the District Council, by North Lonsdale District Ratepayers, that this Council considers a plan for the sewerage of North Lonsdale, and endeavor to co-operate with the City Council, and secure permission to use the city's main sewer, in connection therewith.

On motion of Alderman McNeish, referred to City Engineer, for report as to the feasibility of the proposal.

From Burns & Walkem, advising that their Mr. Burns was prepared to dedicate to the City, the unopened portion of Second Street recently purchased by Mr. Burns from Mrs. Hamersley. The only condition being that the Council take steps to immediately open up the street. It was pointed out that, as the property was held under Agreement for Sale from Mrs. Hamersley, it would be impossible to give a deed for the land until 1913. Mr. Burns was prepared, however, to give an Agreement for Sale, for the nominal consideration of \$1.00.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Smith, referred to City Solicitor for opinion as to validity of proposed dedication.

From City Engineer Hanes, informing Council, that the water rates due the City for water supplied to the District, for present quarter, was s\$26.70, while the cost of maintenance for the same period, amounted to \$26.25, and that at present there is not sufficient water to supply the residents in the City.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish, referred to Water Committee.

From City Engineer Hanes, pointing out that, on account of the ten inch City Water Main being situated under the sidewalk, in front of McDowell's Drug Store, at the corner of Lonsdale avenue and First Street, and the main being only a few inches below the sidewalk, the new valve, which had recently been put in place, projected above the sidewalk, which could be remedied only by the Main being lowered at that point.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish, the Water Works Committee was empowered to act in the matter of lowering the Main.

From City Solicitor Reid, with form of Area Agreement used by the City of Vancouver, which he recommended to be adopted by this Council.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McNeish, the Board of Works was empowered to make an Agreement with the Bank of Hamilton, subject to the approval of the City Engineer, and the supervision of the work by him.

From W.C. Morrison, with accompanying petition signed by 54 ratepayers, calling attention to the dusty condition of the Streets, which was causing considerable loss and damage to goods in stores, and suggesting, as a temporary expedient, that the streets in the business section, be watered with the fire hose, twice a day during the dry season.

On motion of Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Irwin, referred to Board of Works Committee to consider and report upon.

A petition was presented from 51 civic employees, requesting that their wages be increased from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per day.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Smith, referred to Board of Works Committee to inquire into rate of wages paid in adjoining municipalities.

Mr. Graham appeared, and asked for the widening of Lynn Valley Road, near St. Johns College; the opening of Sutherland Ave. to the Seymour Lumber Mill, and the opening up of the Alley, between the Esplanade and First St. from St. Andrew's Ave. to Lonsdale Gardens.

Alderman Irwin moved that the matter of widening Lynn Valley Road be referred to the Board of Works, with power to act, and that the matter of opening up Sutherland Ave. and the lane between First and Esplanade, be referred to the Committee to consider and report upon. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

The Board of Works Committee recommended as follows:

That P.A. Allan be furnished with grade, at the corner of 1st Street and St. George's Avenue, that a box drain be constructed to divert the water from Bank of Hamilton's property.

That the sidewalk on 4th St. be extended to St. George's Avenue.

That 150 feet of sidewalk be built on the South side of 5th Street from Lonsdale Avenue East.

That a sidewalk be constructed on the North side of 5th Street, from St. George's to St. Andrew's Avenue.

That a sidewalk be built on the North side of 6th Street, from near Ridgeway to Queensbury Avenue, and that the roadway and bridge be repaired.

That the sidewalk in front of A.B.Stevenson's Stores be repaired, and a crossing put in for Capt. Archibald.

That a sidewalk be laid on the South side of 10th Street, from Ridgeway Avenue to Moody Avenue.

That the sidewalk be extended from 15th to 13th Street and connected with Mahon Avenue.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Smith, the Committee's recommendations were accepted by the Council.

A letter received from E.J.Peck, complaining of alleged excessive charges for water rates was, on motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Fowler, referred to the Water Committee to consider and report upon.

Bylaw No. 122 - First Street Grade Establishment Bylaw, 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. 123 - St. George's Avenue Grade Establishment Bylaw, was also read, reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council, and authorized to be signed and sealed as above.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman McNeish the Clerk was directed to insert a notice in the Vancouver Daily papers, that a vote of the Electors on the Bridge and other Money Bylaws, was to be taken within the City Hall on Saturday 13th inst.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman McRae, the Clerk was directed to communicate with the North Vancouver Land & Improvement Co., and ask permission to clear about 300 feet of the foreshore in front of their property, West of Chesterfield Ave., to be utilized for bathing beach purposes.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman McRae, the applications received for the position of Fire chief, were referred to the Fire & Light Committee to deal with, and report at a Meeting of the Council, to be held next Wednesday evening at 7:30.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fowler, the plan of subdivision of portions of District Lots 552 and 265, was referred to the City Engineer and Board of Works, to bring in a recommendation at next meeting.

The Clerk was directed to notify Mr. J. Balfour Ker, that grades for the building to be erected by him on the Esplanade, can be obtained, on application being made to the City Engineer.

On motion of Alderman McNeish it was resolved to place doors on the entrances to the bank stand in Victoria Park.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fowler, the Board of Works Committee was empowered to act in the matter of erecting seats in Victoria Park.

On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Fowler, a bill of \$_____ to Dr. Newcombe, was authorized to be paid.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor