

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 12th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 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 6th inst. were read and on motion confirmed.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From President and Board of Directors of B.C. anti-Tuberculosis Society, requesting the honour of the presence of the Mayor and Aldermen at the Ceremony of opening the new Institution at Tranquilla, Kamloops, on Wednesday September 14th. Filed.

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co. acknowledge receipt of Council's resolution re extension of tramline on Lonsdale Avenue which had been transmitted to the Company's management in Vancouver. Filed.

From City Engineer Hanes, advising that he had signed the subdivision plan of portion of District Lots 552 and 265, by certifying that the conditions lettered "A", "B", "C" and "D" of Section 68 of the Land Registry Act had been complied with, but that he had withheld his approval of the plan as City Engineer under Section 249 and 250 of the Municipal Clauses Act, and had notified the Registrar to that effect. City Solicitor had advised him as to his duties in this respect and by resolution of the Council passed on March 14th, 1910, he was instructed to strictly adhere to sections 249 and 250 of the Municipal Clauses Act. Filed.

From Provincial Secretary informing Council that, agreeably to their request, and under the provisions of the Municipal Clauses Act and Amendment Act, His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor in Council was pleased on the 8th day of September instant, to approve of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company Shares Agreement Purchase Bylaw 1910, and to confirm the Agreement with the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co. for the purchase by the Corporation of shares in the Capital Stock of the Company. Filed.

From Waghorn, Gwynn & Co. acknowledging receipt of Council's offer for lanes in D.L. 274, and stating that Mr. Hammersley was willing to sell to the City any portion of the lanes in the Blocks that are already subdivided with lanes, and not already sold, but that he would not enter into an Agreement to sell any other parcels of land in D.L. 274 suitable for lanes, not yet conveyed by Mr. Hammersley. The Mayor reported that, as the result of an interview he and the Clerk had had with Mr. Gwynn, the price asked for the lanes had been reduced from \$15,000 to \$13000. The cost would be borne by the owners of property benefited, in the locality in which the lanes are situated.

Alderman McNeish moved that this Council take the initiative and acquire all lanes which can be conveyed to the City by Mr. Hammersely, and that the Clerk and Solicitor take all necessary proceedings in connection therewith. The motion was seconded by Alderman Irwin and agreed to.

From John T. McNaught, Secretary Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co. advising that, under the rules of the Department of Railways, all Railway Companies are required to deposit with each Municipal Council, over whose Municipality the Railway is to cross, a copy of the route map, which has been deposited with the Minister of Railways, showing the proposed route of the Railway that the Company is not tied to the particular line, but may vary there from on either side, according to the contour of the ground, or obstacles that may appear (the latitude allowed being about (1) mile) when the location plans and profile are made and which plans are deposited with the Railway Commissioners, who decide on all questions of construction, grades and crossings interfering with streets or roads, etc. etc.

As the location plan and profile had not yet been made along the waterfront of the City, the Engineer being busy on the bridge and approaches, he was unable to furnish the Council with the exact location of the Railway in the meantime. Filed.

W.W. Weston was again heard with reference to the improvement of the Second St. West. He stated that buildings contemplated included a brick block, costing in the neighbourhood of \$30,000, and a number of residences costing from \$3,000 up. The property owners were desirous of meeting the Board of Works Committee to discuss the matter. The Chairman of the Board of Works Committee invited the property owners interested to be present at a meeting of the Committee to be held tomorrow afternoon at the City Hall at 1:30.

Messrs. C.F. Jackson and A.J. Henderson, representing the Ratepayers' Committee, addressed the Council, regarding the passage of plan of subdivision of portion of District Lots 552 and 265, considerable objection to which had been taken by a number of ratepayers. The principal objections taken to the plan, as passed by the Council, which had not been approved by the City Engineer as a plan of subdivision of property into building lots, were: that the alternative plan, as suggested by the City Engineer, had not been considered by the Council, that, in the subdivision, as passed, adequate road allowances, practical street grades, lanes and reasonable access to Lots had not been provided, that the expense which it would ultimately cost the City to build retaining walls etc. was out of all proportion to the ordinary cost of building roads, that Block 7, shown en bloc, should be eliminated from the subdivision, or connecting street allowances and lanes given.

The Committee deprecated most strongly, plain survey plans of proposed subdivision being submitted to the Council, while ravines exist of such magnitude as in D.L. 552, and took exception to Mr. Fell stipulating that, when the plan of

subdivision was passed, he would execute the conveyance of Heywood Park to the City, as no reservation of this _____ was made in the Agreement in connection with Heywood Park. As a remedy of the difficulty, the Committee suggested that Mr. Fell be asked to withdraw the plan, and request his professional advisor to confer with the City Engineer, with the idea of altering the position of the Streets, and providing roads on terra firma, which would give reasonable access to the Lots, that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. be given the Street occupied by their Railway, as a right of way, failing which, that the Lieutenant-Governor and Surveyor - General be appealed to.

In justification of their action in passing this plan, the members of the Council explained that a certain plan of subdivision of D.L. 552 was submitted to, and approved by the Council in 1908, which plan was now registered but later re-considered, and a plan of subdivision in accordance with the contour of the ground, was submitted to, and received the preliminary approval of the Council. That is was not until this latter plan was submitted for final approval, that the difficulties of access to Lots were detected, and that, although the Council had committed themselves, a Committee was appointed to take the matter up with Mr. Fell, and go over the grounds. The concessions secured by the Committee from the owner were considerable, and everything possible for the benefit of the City was obtained. It was further explained that the/Ratepayers; Committee was approaching the Council, pointing out certain objections to a plan, which had already been dealt with by the Council.

A tender received from Campbell Bros. offering to carry out the contract work of grading and macadamizing Third Street, from St. David's Avenue to the Easterly City Limits, for the sum of \$51,200, was referred to the Board of Works for report. The Council held a short cessation, while the Committee retired and considered the tender. On the Council resuming the Committee recommended that, on account of only one tender having been received, that the work be proceeded with by day labour.

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

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General and Police), Board of Works (General and Local Improvement), Water Works and Fire & Light Committee, on due accounts, were submitted and read to the meeting, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the amounts following, viz:

Finance (General)	\$358.65
Finance (Police)	29.80
Board of Works (General)	3,917.64
Board of Works (Local Improvement)	854.60
Water Works	3,776.06
Fire & Light	353.06

The reports of the Finance Committee, of the Fire & Light Committee and of the Water Committee, as contained in the Committees' Minutes of this date, were read to , and adopted by the Council.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin the matter of purchasing the necessary planks to place on that portion of Lonsdale Avenue, between 16th and 18th Streets, where fills had been made with soft puncheon, was left to the discretion of the City Engineer.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Irwin, it was agreed to grant the North Vancouver Hospital, exemption from Water Rates.

Bylaw No. 124, Local Improvement General Bylaw, No. 2, in amended form, was 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.

The Council thereafter went into Committee of the Whole.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor