

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 28th DAY OF NOVEMBER 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 21st instant were read and on motion adopted.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From H. Floyd, C.M.C., Point Grey, advising that Council's communication re joint conference of delegates from various Councils has been referred to the Council for next year.

From Wm. McQueen, City Clerk, Vancouver, advising that his Worship Mayor Taylor has been requested to appoint two delegates to act with himself at joint conference.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C., advising that the Reeve and one other of the delegates from the District will be in Victoria on the day appointed for the Conference.

Alderman McRae reported interview had with Mayor Taylor when it was agreed to indefinitely postpone the date for the Meeting of delegates from the various Councils adjacent to Burrard Inlet. This was concurred in by the Council.

From Waghorn Gwynn & Co., advising that they were having the deed for any lanes owned by Mr. Hammersley prepared by his Solicitors and Council would be informed when same was ready for execution.

From Provincial Secretary, advising that Councils application for a right-of-way for street purposes through the Squamish Mission Indian Reserve had received careful attention from the Department that the Government cannot make a grant, but will give any document that will give the City Council the right of user as the streets are in the Crown subject to such rights.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Schultz resolved that the Indian Department at Ottawa, be advised of the Provincial Government's decision in this matter, and that the Provincial Government be asked to transmit their decision direct to the Indian Department.

From North Vancouver Land & Improvement Co., advising that they are willing to grant permission to the City to lay Forbes Ave. main sewer along the extreme western boundary of their water front lot at the continuation of Mahon Ave., produced as shown on their plan sent with letter from City Clerk of November

19th on condition that the City undertake to have the sewer properly covered and have the outlet discharge in deep water, and proper provision made for the disposal of sewage etc.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that City accept the conditions stipulated and thank the Company for permission granted.

From City Engineer reporting that the Dominion Glazing Cement Pipe Co. of Vancouver, had published an article in the "Express" which contained misleading statements regarding the City Engineer, and requesting as an official of the City that he be allowed the privilege of consulting with the City Solicitor on the matter. In the discussion which followed the Council expressed themselves as being in full sympathy with the City Engineer, but did not think it wise to take the matter up with the City Solicitor, believing that the Ratepayers would understand the motive of the attack and on motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Smith, the communication was received and filed.

From H.D. Green-Armytage, calling attention to damage done to property as a result of surface water from the District on Lonsdale avenue, not being diverted before entering City Limits.

On motion of Alderman Irwin and Alderman McNeish, resolved that copy of communication be forwarded to the District council and that they be notified that they will be held liable for damage and on further motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Smith, resolved that Solicitor be asked whether City is liable for damage to Mr. Armytage.

From J.Y. McNaught, Secretary, Burrard Tunnel & Bridge Co. forwarding for signature copy of petition of Dominion Government asking for grant of not less than \$300,000 towards cost of Second Narrows Bridge and \$6,400 per mile for railway construction.

On motion of Alderman Fowler and Alderman Irwin, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign and seal the petition for and on behalf of the Council.

From J.R. Cosgrove, District Engineer notifying Council that unless obstructions caused by the laying of the new water main on Lynn Valley Road were removed by Saturday last the District council would execute the necessary work at City's expense.

Alderman Irwin reported that he had visited the scene of operations and found that everything was being done that could reasonably be expected and so far as he could learn no traffic was being impeded.

He moved that a Committee from the City Council arrange to meet a Committee from the District council and discuss the matter. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz and agreed to.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. requesting Council to desist at once from excavating a large hole on Lynn Valley road presumably for a reservoir.

The City Engineer explained that the excavation referred to was being made in the road allowance within the dam site and was for screening tanks for the new main. After hearing report from Alderman Smith the Council directed the City Engineer to stop the work until after conference with the District Council.

From W.H. Foster, re damage done by flooding owing to drain being blocked by the grading of Lonsdale Avenue. On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Irwin referred to City Engineer to look into matter of providing better drainage.

From City Treasurer informing Council that statements made by Mr. E.J. Peck at last Meeting with reference to his being only two months in arrears for water rates were incorrect. Every person six and twelve months in arrears had received similar notice. Filed.

From Jack Loutet, Assessor, submitting report for assessment for year 1911, as follows:

Land	\$9,567,615.00
Improvements	<u>\$1,422,765.00</u>
	\$10,990,380.00 and

Submitting for Council's consideration recommendations regarding the passage and registration of plans of subdivision; parties building being required to return to the Council estimate of the cost, and that the Assessment Roll in the future be of the loose leaf system.

On motion of Alderman Fowler and Alderman McRae referred to Finance Committee.

The Clerk reported his having received Quit Claim Deed from Mr. W.J. Irwin (Alderman) to Mr. A.B. Diplock of Lot "A" re subdivision Lot 2, Block 37, D.L. 549, also Quit Claim Deed from Mr. Diplock to the Corporation of said Lot "A" and Lot "F" in subdivision of Lot 1, Block 37, D.L. 549, that the Deed of the Land was made to the Corporation for public purposes, and subject to its being set apart and dedicated as a public lane. Also that there was a covenant on the part of the City to within one year, grade the lane to a permanent grade, and to within two years, surface the lane with crushed rock or other proper material in a manner suitable for traffic purposes.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Schultz, resolved that the dedication of the lane be accepted on the conditions mentioned, and that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the donors for the public spiritedness shown by them in dedicating the lane in the public interest.

The Clerk reported his having received a requisition calling upon Council to grade to permanent grade for full width Lonsdale Avenue from South Side Upper Keith Road to Southerly boundary to 13th St. and to construct a six-foot concrete

walk on each side and to pave the roadway with wood blocks; pavement with concrete base; and concrete curbs on each side; and to construct a sanitary sewer on that portion of the Avenue.

The City Clerk further reported that the requisition was sufficiently signed, and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Schultz, it was referred to the City Engineer for report.

Report and recommendations by the Finance (General, Police and School Trustees), Board of Works, Water Works, Fire & Light and Public Health Committees 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)	\$414.50
Police (General)	412.50
School	1,068.70
Board of Works	443.00
Water Works	310.00
Fire and Light	445.63
Public Health	52.00

The reports of the Finance, Board of Works and of the Transportation Committees, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of this date, and engrossed in the respective Committee Minute Books were read to and adopted by the Council.

In reply to an inquiry made by Alderman Fowler the Mayor stated that the Firemen would be allowed to travel free on the Street Cars in uniform.

The remit made to the Board of Works Committee re building of wharves was on request continued.

The Engineer reported that he did not think it was practical to divert the over flow from the Creek which crosses Lonsdale Avenue at 13th Street, he suggested that a storm sewer be built along 17th or 19th Street, west to Mission Creek.

On motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Irwin, resolved that the City Engineer report on the practicability of diverting or by some means lessening the flow of water in the creeks throughout the City.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Irwin, resolved that the Engineer report on the drainage and sanitation of First Street east.

Specifications prepared by the City Engineer for the work of constructing a storm sewer on Lonsdale Avenue from Burrard Inlet to 17th Street were read to the Meeting. The specifications provided for the use of machine made cement pipe, tamped from semi-wet concrete, cement pipe poured or tamped from wet concrete and for vitrified pipe.

The specifications were approved of by the Council.

On the Engineer reporting that the plans of the sewerage system were passed by the Provincial Board of Health on condition that vitrified clay pipe was to be used. Alderman Irwin moved that the Engineer take up with the Provincial Board of Health the matter of securing permission to use in the construction of storm drainage sewers any of the three kinds of pipe mentioned in the specifications just passed.

On the suggestion of Alderman Irwin the City Engineer was asked to consider and report at a Special Meeting to be held on Friday evening next, how much sewer work could be undertaken at this season of the year advantageously, whether the work should be done by contract or day labour, and as to the advisability of calling tenders for work at the present time.

Mr. Alex Philip was heard re representatives from the City and District Councils and Board of Trade waiting upon the officers of H.M.C.S. Rainbow and extending to them the greetings of the Citizens of the North Shore on their first visit to the harbour of Vancouver, and re their visiting the North Shore on the 1st of July next. On motion of Alderman McRae the Mayor was appointed Delegate from the City Council.

Mr. Philip asked Council to appoint a delegate to appear before the Technical Education Committee along with Delegates from other public bodies in the City, regarding the interests of Technical Education, in North Vancouver. Alderman Schultz was appointed.

Mr. Philip directed Council's attention to the fact that the portion of the Street and sidewalk being occupied by the Contractors for the Bank of Hamilton Building was insufficiently lighted at night time.

On motion of Alderman Schultz and Alderman McNeish this was referred to the Fire & Light Committee to take up with the Contractors with power to act.

The Lonsdale Avenue Widening Bylaw 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 Lanes Purchase Local Improvement Assessment Bylaw, was also reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council and authorized to be signed and sealed as above.

On motion of Alderman McNeish seconded by Alderman Irwin, resolved that the City Solicitor be advised that the Bylaw has been finally passed and that he be asked to examine the necessary conveyances when ready and act along with the Mayor in closing the deal before the expiry of the option on Saturday next.

On motion of Alderman Irwin resolved that the necessary reports and Bylaw for the expropriation of the balance of the unopened lanes in D.L. 274 be prepared by the Engineer and Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Schultz seconded by Alderman Smith, resolved that a bylaw be prepared for the expropriation of the land necessary to widen the Grand Boulevard to a uniform width of 150 feet, from the West side of St. George's Avenue to the East side of Chesterfield Avenue, and from the south side of 21st Street to the North side of 19th Street, and that the City Assessor be asked to return a fair valuation of the property to be expropriated from a stand point of expropriation.

The Mayor reported that the Indians were willing to accept Fifty (\$50.00) dollars as compensation for land cleared by them along the Westerly boundary of Forbes Avenue.

On motion of Alderman Schultz the Mayor was authorized to close bargain and to obtain receipt freeing City from any further claims.

On motion of Alderman Schultz the Mayor, and Alderman Irwin, Chairman of Water Works Committee, were appointed to attend the hearing at Victoria, on the 6th of December, re Rice Lake Lots.

On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Irwin, it was resolved that the work of constructing the Screening tank for the new Water Main be delayed in the meantime, and that all possible speed be made with the laying of the new main, and that the City Engineer report on the best location for a settling tank for the new main.

Also that prices be obtained of land adjoining dam site with view to purchase. On motion of Alderman Irwin resolved that the City Solicitor be instructed to obtain a decision as to the City's rights re dam site in whatever manner he may deem best.

Referring to the interview had with deputation from the Board of City School Trustees prior to the opening of this Meeting. Alderman Irwin moved that the School Trustees be informed that the Council does not view with favour the purchase of Block 111 as a School Site, on the ground that it is too expensive and would be in a congested business district in the matter of a few years.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. H. May, Mayor