

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY THE 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 1910 AT 2 O'CLOCK, P.M.**

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

A communication was read from Clarkson Grass & Helliwell regretting that owing to the coded telegram from the Dominion Securities Corp. having been wrongly translated the bid put in by them on behalf of their principals was stated at \$113, instead of \$100.13 and interest and submitting a corrected bid.

On motion of Alderman McNeish and Alderman Irwin resolved that explanation be accepted and communication filed.

On motion of Alderman McNeish and Alderman Irwin, resolved that offer of Messrs. Brouse Mitchell & Co. at \$100.55 and interest, payment and delivery Vancouver for \$25,000 Debentures be accepted.

A communication was read from the Secretary of the School Board stating that the Board of School Trustees had made further inspection of various blocks of land and finally selected Block 64, D.L. 271 and 548, as the most suitable for school purposes and requesting that the Council submit a Bylaw to the Electors to authorize the borrowing of \$50,000 for the purchase of that Block. After considering the proposition Council decided to request School Trustees to return detailed estimate of this proposed extraordinary expenditure as required by the School Act.

A letter was read from the Provincial Secretary advising that the date for the continued hearing re Lots 856 and 857 had been changed to the 4<sup>th</sup> of January at 11 a.m.. Filed.

After hearing Mr. A. Wallace and Mr. Devine of the Wallace Shipyards, regarding their request for exemption from taxation and water rates, during the course of which Mr. Wallace stated that his company would not consider partial exemption, but would rather remove to Vancouver.

Bylaw No. 146, being a Bylaw to enable the City to grant aid to the Wallace Shipyards by exemption from Municipal taxation and water rates for a period of ten years, was introduced, read a first and second time.

The Bylaw was also read a third time and passed by the Council subject to revision by the City Solicitor.

It was resolved to submit the Bylaw to a vote of the Electors on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January and City Clerk Shepherd was appointed Returning Officer to take the vote of such Electors with the usual powers in that behalf.

On motion of Alderman McNeish and Alderman Fowler, resolved that Messrs. Colin F. Jackson & Co. be paid \$1500 to account of contract for sewer pipe subject to confirmation by City Engineer.

The Water Works Committee recommended that Messrs. Paine & McMillan be paid \$5,149.25 being 90% of account due for 16" water main supplied and delivered but not yet accepted by City Engineer.

The Committees recommendation was accepted by the Council.

At this stage City Clerk Shepherd left the meeting and City Treasurer Humphreys was appointed Clerk protem.

Reports and recommendations by the Board of Works (Local Improvement) and Fire & Light Committees on due accounts were submitted and read to the meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the amount flowing, viz:

Board of Works (Local Improvement)	\$702.70
Fire and Light	\$500.00

On motion of Alderman Irwin and Alderman McNeish resolved that copy of general conditions of City Contracts be mailed to each Alderman.

Messrs Hope & Barker, Architects, were instructed to call Tenders for the erection of new Fire Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> Street, to close twelve o'clock noon Monday January 9<sup>th</sup>. The contract to include a penalty clause of \$10.00 per day should Contractor fail to finish by 1<sup>st</sup> May next, and a bonus of \$2.00 per day to be offered for completion before first May.

Council stood adjourned until Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

Council Reports not in Minutes

Committee Reports not in Minutes

1910		
May 30	Finance	\$315.00
August 1	Fire & Light	979.30
Sept 19	Board of Works	224.80
Sept 10	Finance	763.60
Sept 20	Schools	2,100.00
Nov. 3	Health	32.50
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Nov. 21	Board of Works	2,598.84
Local Improvement Reports		
Nov. 28		\$985.30

Dec. 19		111.90
Dec. 27		27.25
Dec. 29		702.70
Dec. 31		1,928.10