

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, HELD WITHIN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 6th DAY OF FEBRUARY 1911 AT
8 O'CLOCK P.M.**

His Worship Mayor McNeish presiding and all the Aldermen present.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on the 30th January last, a copy of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Smith confirmed by the Council.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From Mrs. M.J. Knight requesting to be furnished with grade for building to be erected on Lot 3, Block 109, D.L.'s 549, 274.

Referred to Engineer to give temporary grade. Bylaw establishing a grade to be passed later.

From A.A. McCall requesting 23rd Street to be opened up from Mahon Avenue to Lot 22, Block 211, D.L. 544, on which he had built a residence. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mrs. M.C. Wiggins stating that it was her intention to build a residence on Lots 29, 30, 31, Block 8, D.L. 549, as soon as 20th Street is opened up. Referred to Board of Works.

From Chas. Templer asking to be furnished with sufficient plank to build a bridge over the ditch on 15th Street just below Jones Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From Simpson & Wight making application for a second installment of \$400.00 on work of laying out west side of Victoria Park. Referred to Alderman Biss and Alderman Smith to report upon.

From Pierce & Hall calling attention to impossible condition of 10th Street between Moody Avenue and the Boulevard. Referred to Board of Works.

From Bressey, Peers & Boult, requesting permission to lay views of their clients in "Harbor View" subdivision before Council relative to question of access to North Lonsdale School. To be granted hearing before Board of Works Committee at meeting next Thursday.

From Seymour Lumber Co. stating that although the grant made by the Council of \$440.00 for street clearing was considerably less than what they expected, they had decided to accept same and convey thanks to the Council for their consideration in the matter. Filed.

From J.V. Graham making application for position of Building and Plumbing Inspector etc. Filed.

From C.T. Brewer making application for position of Building Inspector. Filed.

From H.M. Ellis asking for sidewalk from car line to his house at the corner of 8th Street and the Boulevard.

From North Vancouver Land & Improvement Co. calling attention to the fact that teamsters are driving over the Boulevard on Queensbury Ave. and cutting it up and destroying shrubs and plants. Company to be informed that practice is to be stopped by placing notice boards on the Boulevard indicating "No Thoroughfare" and if necessary that legal steps will be taken to prevent, also that it is the intention of the Council to construct a suitable road along the Boulevard.

From Harold Snow requesting Council to have dangerous dead tree standing on the roadway opposite Lot 26 of 5, Block 11, D.L. 616, felled. Referred to City Engineer.

From Geo. D. Hoyland asking to have stream of surface water running from lower Keith Road through his property, Lot 5, Blk 116, D.L. 274, diverted. Mr. Hoyland to be informed that stream is running in a natural water course and cannot be diverted until storm drains and sewers are put in and that such an undertaking was a large question at this stage of the City's development.

From John G. farmer, CMC, intimating that the District Council have under consideration at the present time the question of widening Lonsdale Avenue to 100' from the City boundary northwards that it would not be finally decided until particulars of the cost of the work and of the expropriation of the necessary land had been ascertained.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C., informing Council that it is the intention of the District Council to proceed immediately with the improvement of the Lynn Valley Road under local improvement scheme. That District Council would be glad if the City will make arrangements for the lowering of the old watermain in accordance with the understanding arrived at, at recent Joint Meeting of the two Councils.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C., stating that the District Council are willing that an arc light should be placed at the city boundary, Lonsdale Avenue and on Sutherland Avenue, the corners of 8th, 10th and 14th Streets, and that the account for these lights be paid by the City, an agreement to be drawn up by the City whereby the District will undertaken to pay half the expense of the lights which should remain burning all night.

Referred to City Engineer to meet District Engineer and agree as to the location of the lights.

From North Vancouver Trust Co. making application for a grant of \$200.00 towards the expense of clearing and rough-grading the streets in the subdivision of Block 237, D.L.'s 545 and 546. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that an allowance be made at the rte of \$100.00 per acre for all streets which the company shall clear to the extent and standard in which streets in D.L. 550 are now cleared.

From City Engineer Hanes intimating that Messrs. McDonell Gzowski & Co. had requested him to ask the Council to allow them 75% of the value of the vitrified pipe they have already delivered on the ground. The contract did not provide for such. Referred to Board of Works to inquire into terms of contract and report.

From City Engineer submitting specifications of sidewalk material required for the construction of sidewalks during the year 1911. Referred to Board of Works to look over and bring in recommendation.

From G.T. Fox tendering his resignation as Foreman of the Water Works Department to take effect a the end of the month or as soon before as can be conveniently arranged. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Kittson resolved that resignation be accepted and that City Engineer arrange for the appointment of a suitable person to take his place.

From Mrs. P. Arthur calling attention to the exorbitant rates charged for water for cabins situated on Lot 18, Block 176, D.L. 274. Referred to water Committee to bring in recommendation.

Petition - Andrew Cairns and twelve other residents and property owners in the vicinity asking for a street arc light to be placed at the corner of 6th Str. and Mahon Avenue. Referred to Fire & Light Committee.

Petition - E.J. Peck, and seven other residents and property owners in the vicinity calling attention to failure on part of the 1908 Council to complete work of local improvement on 11th Street between St. George's and Ridgeway Avenues and asking for a full investigation of the matter at an early date. City Engineer and City Clerk instructed to submit all papers in connection with this local improvement at next meeting of the Board of Works Committee at which Committee to arrange date for hearing property owners interested.

Alderman Dick moved that an appeal be made through the public press to ratepayers to clear all property adjacent to buildings before the dry season and if no response is made that Council put into effect the provisions of Section 10 of the Fire Suppression Bylaw. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henderson and agreed to.

The following plans of subdivision approved of by the City Engineer were next taken into consideration by the Council:

Lot 1, Block 8, D.L. 616. On motion of Alderman McRae and Alderman Smith passed by the Council.

Block 205 and 205A, D.L. 544. On motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith passed by the Council.

Block 203, D.L. 544. On motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith passed by the Council.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of the 2nd instant was read to and on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Biss accepted by the Council.

The Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Yates that a Bylaw is to be introduced soon covering the question of grades.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of the 2nd instant was also read to and adopted by the Council.

The report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of the 2nd instant was also read to and adopted by the Council.

Alderman Smith reported that the hose wagon had been shipped from Seattle, and deposit of 10% furnished by the contractor and the contract for Fire Hall on 13th St. duly executed.

The report of the Lanes Etc. Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of the 2nd instant was also read to and adopted by the Council.

The report of the Water Committee as contained in the Committees minutes of the 2nd instant was also read to and on motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Biss adopted by the Council.

Alderman Dick gave notice that at next meeting of the Council he would introduce a Bylaw or Bylaws to establish grades on all streets where grades are not already established from the Waterfront to 8th Street.

Bylaw No. 156, being a Bylaw to regulate the proceedings of the Council and to remunerate the Mayor and Aldermen was introduced and read a first time.

On motion of Alderman Dick, Sections 113 and 114 having reference to remuneration of Mayor and Aldermen were struck out. The Bylaw as amended was read a second and third time and passed by the Council.

The Mayor reported that a delegation from the Board of trade had waited upon him that morning and urged that the Council reconsider its decision in regard to paying part of the expenses of a delegate from the Board of Trade to go to Ottawa in connection with the application being made for a subsidy towards the cost of the second narrows bridge.

On motion it was decided to reconsider the previous decision and the matter was referred back to the Finance Committee to report.

The Mayor reported that Mr. Bridgeman representing the Lonsdale Estate was desirous of having a conference with the Council regarding the plan of subdivision of D.L. 552. Mr. Bridgeman had full authority to effect a settlement if best proposed Council had to offer met with his approval. It was agreed to meet at the City Hall on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock and in company with Mr. Bridgeman go over the ground.

Mr. Perry of the B.C. Electric Railway Co offered to have a special car in readiness to take the Council to the center of the subdivision. This offer was accepted with thanks.

Mr. Perry gave in verbal report of investigation conducted by his company into alleged inefficiency of braking gear on North Vancouver cars. All defects have been remedied and no trouble was likely to arise in the future. The cars and equipment were inspected periodical by the Government Tramways Inspector.

For guidance in the matter of laying sewers and sewer connections the Engineer inquired if it was Council's intention to widen Lonsdale Avenue from 80' to 100' from the Boulevard to the City Limits. Consideration deferred.

The Engineer reported that Messrs. MacDonell & Gzowski, Contractors for the sewers were paying their workmen less rate of wages than is being paid City workmen, that they were conducting blasting operations without permit and had erected a powder magazine at the end of 3rd Street. This matter was referred to the Chief of Police, City Clerk and City Engineer to take up with the City Solicitor and act under his instructions.

On motion of Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Kittson the extraordinary estimate of the school boards for the current year were formally rejected by the Council.

The Finance Committee reported that a majority of the Committee were in favor of making a grant of \$150.00 to pay part of the expenses of a delegate from the Board of Trade to go to Ottawa re second narrows bridge subsidy, and most strongly recommend that Ex-Alderman Irwin be appointed the duly authorized delegate from the Board.

The Committee's recommendation was accepted by the Council.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor