

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON TUESDAY THE 28th DAY OF FEBRUARY 1911 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

Present Acting Mayor McRae presiding and Alderman Henderson, Alderman Kittson, Alderman Smith and Alderman Biss.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the 18th of the regular meeting of the 20th and of the special meeting of the 21st instant, copies of which had previously been furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion confirmed.

Correspondence were received and disposed of as follows:

From MacDougal Engineers Limited thanking Council for copy resolution re foundry. Filed.

From Herbert Day requesting 18th Street between Jones and Mahon Avenues to be repaired and large dangerous stump removed, also a sidewalk. Referred to Board of Works.

From Edward Dissette requesting sidewalk to be laid on the south side of 5th Street from Queensbury Avenue to Lot 5, Block 16, D.L. 273.

From C.A. Lett & Son, requesting the removal of stumps in Lane at rear of Lots 5 and 6, Block 166, D.L. 274, between 1st Street and Esplanade. Mr. Lett to be informed that Engineer has instructions to engage a special gang to clear all lanes in 274 starting from the waterfront.

From George Campbell, Secretary Board of City School Trustees, requesting sidewalk to be constructed on Ridgeway Avenue from the north side of 11th Street to the south side of 10th Street for the convenience of children attending the East End School.

From Harold Snow calling attention to the impossible condition of 15th Street in two places east of the Boulevard.

From Henry C. Wright and Albert Duming re the same matter. Referred to City Engineer with power to act.

From Pierce & Hall requesting sidewalk on the north side of 5th Street between Chesterfield and Mahon Avenues. Referred to Board of Works.

From Ira E. Peers requesting lane in Block 134, D.L. 271, between 3rd and 4th Streets to be opened up. Mr. Peers to be informed that work will be attended to in due course.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. with copy of resolution passed by District Council on 23rd instant, respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. being urged to proceed with the construction of the proposed subway without delay. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Henderson resolved that copy of resolution of Public Safety and Transportation Committee to be submitted tonight, be forwarded to the District Council.

From Marie H. Macnaughton, President Local Council of Women seeking Council's interests and cooperation in the matter of securing for erring girls a fighting chance for a new and useful life. On motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Smith resolved that President of Council be advised that Council are in sympathy with any movement which may be taken towards that end.

From George Campbell, Secretary Board of City School Trustees, addressed to His Worship Mayor McNeish requesting the Mayor to submit a Bylaw for the assent of the Electors in the manner prescribed by Section 68 of the "Municipal Clauses Act" authorizing the proposed extra ordinary expenditures of the School Board for the current year and the raising of the moneys to defray the same. Clerk instructed to prepare necessary Bylaw to be introduced at next meeting.

From B. Ibbetson, A.C.A. making application for the position of Auditor of the City at fee of \$40.00 per month. Filed. And Mr. Ibbetson to be informed that applications will be invited in due course.

From Solicitor Reid informing Council that pursuant to the Mayor's instructions he had wired the department at Ottawa asking them to draw up a contract giving the City the right to go on the Reserve to fix water pipes and to include covenant of non interference by Indians with the pipe. He had received the following telegram in reply:

"Forward \$3000 when grant of Street will be made to North Vancouver conveying Indian interests and embodying condition in surrender as to furnishing water to Indians cannot include covenant of non interference by Indians with Water pipes".

He had advised Mayor McNeish at Ottawa of the reply and asked him to take the matter up with the Indian Department and see what arrangements can be made in accordance with the desires of the Council. Filed.

From H. Bose, Secretary-Treasurer, UBCM, with copy letter received by him from the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer of the Union of Canadian Municipalities containing a cordial invitation to representatives of all Municipalities in Canada to form a delegation to visit the co-partnership and housing schemes of England. Filed.

From City Engineer Hanes reporting that he had examined the work done by the District Workmen on the Lillooet Road and recommended that the account amounting to \$263.41 be paid. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Smith resolved that the Account be paid.

On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved that Council do not acknowledge liability for balance of account rendered for repairs to Lynn Valley Road.

From City Engineer reporting that the additional lands required b the City in D.L. 855 for the protection of Rice Lake Reservoir and Water Shed and to give the necessary road allowance for a pipe line to the reservoir consist of Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 22, 23, 26, 27 and 28. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From City Engineer Hanes reporting that he had investigated the claim of Mr. Tuck for payment of \$25.00 for the removal of a stump in the lane in Block 141, D.L. 274. The work was not authorized by the Council but he was of the opinion that under the circumstances \$25.00 would be a fair allowance for the work. On motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Smith resolved that the Bill be paid.

From City Engineer Hanes submitting Local Improvement Reports in connection with the building of storm sewers on Mahon, Chesterfield, St. Georges, St. Andrews and St. Patricks Avenues, recommending that Tenders be called for the work immediately, and that the work be proceeded with at once in order that the sewers may be completed early this Spring, to be followed by the grading and paving of Streets. The reports of the City Engineer on the several works of Local Improvement set forth:

Street	Work	Estimated Cost	City Share
Mahon Avenue from Burrard Inlet to 3 rd Street	Storm Drainage Sewer	\$6,420	\$2,160
Chesterfield Avenue from Burrard Inlet to 3 rd Street	Storm Drainage Sewer	8,300	2,790
St. Georges Avenue from Burrard Inlet to 3 rd Street	Storm Drainage Sewer	6,480	2,000
St. Andrews Avenue from Burrard Inlet to 3 rd Street	Storm Drainage Sewer	8,410	2,570
St. Patricks Avenue from Burrard Inlet to 3 rd Street	Storm Drainage Sewer	8,520	2,830

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved that the recommendations and reports of the City Engineer be adopted.

From City Engineer Hanes reporting on the openings and lanes on each side of Lonsdale Avenue from the Waterfront to 8th Street as shown on accompanying

plan. The Engineer did not think that under the Local Improvement Act the work could be carried out as a Local Improvement, as in the majority of cases the land on either side of the proposed opening was not benefited by the proposed work. He was of the opinion that the City should pay for the proposed lane and arrange openings through Blocks 109, 110, 113, 114 and Victoria Park, also through Lot 48, Block 155. The lane required in Block 166, consisting of the Easterly 20' of Lots 4 and 61 might be acquired from the owners and the owners recompensed from the proceeds of the sale of the 20 foot lane facing Lonsdale Avenue in the same block. With regard to the lane in Block 165 between Lot 20 and 21A, the owners might be asked to give the right of way for pole lines. Referred to Board of Works Committee.

Petition Messrs. J.N.G. Brown, H. Whiting and fifteen other property owners protesting in a most emphatic manner against the establishment of a Chinese Laundry at the east corner of Jones Avenue and Keith Road. On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, referred to Medical Health Officer to report upon the condition of the building to a Meeting of the Board of Health to be held next Thursday Evening.

Upon being granted leave a representative from the Journeyman Plumbers Union, Vancouver, was heard advocating the appointment of a plumber as Building Inspector in North Vancouver. The representative was informed that the application of a plumber would receive equal consideration with that of a carpenter or any other tradesman.

Upon being granted leave Mr. G. Larson was heard re nature and extent of improvements proposed on the Esplanade. Board of Works Committee arranged to meet Mr. Larson on the grounds on Thursday afternoon.

Tenders received from the B.C. Equipment Co., Letson & Burpee Ltd., Vancouver Engineering Works Ltd., Columbia Foundry Co., Ross and Howard Iron Works Co., all of Vancouver, for manhole and ventilator covers were opened and on motion of Alderman Smith and Alderman Henderson, referred to Board of Works and City Engineer to tabulate and report at next meeting. A tender received from McClennans & Andres for the clearing of Mahon Park was referred to the Park Committee.

The following tenders were received for the purchase of \$141,000 5% Debentures to be issued under authority of Bylaw Nos. 142, 143, 144 and 145:

Alloway & Champion	\$140,106
C.H. Burgess & Co.	139,009 & acc. int.
Ontario Securities Co. Ltd.	140,207 and int.
J. G. Macintosh & Co.	24,510 and int.
Aemelius Jarvis & Co.	100.03 and int.

Payment & Delivery North Vancouver.

On motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Smith referred to Finance Committee.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Lots 20 and 21, Block 49, D.L. 548, previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith passed by the Council.

Consideration of a plan of proposed subdivision of Lot 11, in Block 5, Lot 215B, D.L. 545, was deferred and the Engineer instructed to prepare a plan and report on the proposed widening of the Grand Boulevard.

Alderman Henderson moved that the resolution passed at previous meeting approving of the plan of proposed subdivision of Lot 1, block 3, D.L. 547, be rescinded, and the owner informed of such, and that further consideration of the plan be deferred pending decision of the Council re the widening the Boulevard. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kittson and agreed to.

Plan of proposed subdivision of Blocks 217A, D.L. 545 and 546 and 230A, D.L. 545 and 546 previously approved of by the City Engineer were on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith passed by the Council.

Plans of proposed subdivision of Block 220C, D.L. ____ and Block 203, D.L. 544, previously approved of by the City Engineer were on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith passed by the Council.

The Mayor reported his having that morning at the request of the Land Co. certified to the plans of subdivision of Blocks 226 and 227, along with the City Engineer, the plans being in accordance with the plans of proposed subdivision previously passed by the Council. This action was confirmed by the Council.

Upon being granted leave the Executive of the Ratepayer's Association were heard suggesting that the Board of Ferry Directors and the City Council take joint action in the matter of erecting a temporary bridge across the CPR tracks from the Ferry Wharf to Alexander Street pending the construction of subway. On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, it was resolved:

"That having regard to the grave danger incurred by passengers to and from the North Vancouver Ferry in crossing the railway tracks lying between the Ferry landing and Alexander Street, the City Engineer be instructed to prepare a plan of a suitable overhead bridge for Ferry pedestrian traffic for affording a safe means of communication between the Ferry Landing and a suitable point on the sidewalk on the north side of Alexander Street, and that a copy of the plan when prepared and this resolution be forwarded to the City Council of Vancouver, the Ferry Directorate, the C.P.R. Company and the Chairman of the Railway Commission, with the view of prompt action being taken by all the authorities concerned.

This bridge to be of a temporary character for use pending the construction of the proposed subway by the CPR, the pressing need for which is daily demonstrated by the ever increasing traffic and the recent fatalities at the railway crossing”.

The ratepayers Association also requested the Council to take immediate steps to provide a suitable building for the treatment and isolation of infectious and contagious diseases. To be considered by Board of Health at Meeting on Thursday.

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Smith resolved that the following progress estimates for sewer work be paid to MacDonnell, Gzowski & Co:

Lonsdale to City Limits	\$198.00
Forbes Avenue	\$2,700.30
Keith Road	\$2,095.50
3 rd Street	\$940.00
2 nd Street	\$875.00
1 st Street	\$1,370.20
Esplanade	\$1,902.00

Alderman Henderson gave in the following statistics and comparison of the estimates of 1911 with that of 1910 and enumerated the reasons why Council had been unable to reduce the Tax Rate. The percentage of increase in expenditures was 3% more than the increase in assess values.

Estimates

	Gross Amount 1911	Gross Amount 1910	Increase	Percent
Loan	60,203	43,533	16,670	38%
School	26,035	12,465	13,570	109%
Police	9,095	4,856	4,239	87%
Water Works	13,500	6,500	7,000	107%
Fire & Light	13,860	7,400	6,460	87%
Board of Health	5,000	2,000	3,000	150%
Board of Works	33,000	33,000		
Finance	24,800	16,690	8,110	48%
Parks	2,840		2,840	
Lanes	5,000		5,000	
TOTALS	193,333	126,444	66,889	
Less Balance in Hand at January 1, 1911 & estimated revenue	28,514	20,485		
TO BE RAISED NET	\$164,819	\$105,959		

Net increased amount to be raised - \$58,860 Percentage of Increase - 58%
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Assessment	Gross Amount 1911	Gross Amount 1910	Increase	Percent
School	\$9,187,280	\$5,869,124	\$3,318,156	56%
General	\$8,183,180	\$5,375,524	\$2,807,656	52%

Signed: G.W. McRae, Acting Mayor

The reports of the Parks etc., Fire & Light Committee, Lanes, etc., Water, Finance and Board of Works Committees, copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and adopted.

After hearing Mr. McKenzie, Alderman Henderson moved that the decision of the Board of Works Committee re water flowing over his property be reconsidered. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kittson and agreed to. The Committee decided to again go over the ground on Thursday.

The report of the Joint Civic Advisory Committee and Financial Statements for the year 1910, copies of which had been furnished each Member of the Council, was taken as read and adopted by the Council.

Bylaw No. 165, being a bylaw providing for the levying of rates for the year 1911 was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Alderman Smith submitted a letter received from Messrs. Hope and Barker, Architects, intimating that it was their intention to dissolve partnership by mutual agreement on March 7th and that the Council would have the option of making their own nominee for the completion of the Fire Hall as either party was agreeable to seeing it through.

Referred to City Solicitor for opinion.

The City Engineer was instructed to bring in a report on the drainage of the 4th Street Fire Hall Site.

The Council thereafter went into Committee of the Whole to consider tender received for clearing of Mahon Park and purchase of property in D.L. 855.

In Committee Alderman Smith presiding.

Alderman Kittson moved that the Tender of Messrs. McLellan & Andrews for the clearing of 12 acres to be agreed upon between the Contractor and the

Chairman of the Parks Committee, of the easterly portion of Mahon Park at the price of \$450.00 per acre be accepted. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henderson and agreed to.

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved that the Clerk communicate with the owners of property in D.L. 855 and ascertain prices on Lots mentioned in letter of City Engineer.

Council thereafter adjourned.