

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 13th DAY OF MARCH 1911 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 6th instant copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Kittson confirmed.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From Mark Philip complaining of probable danger to life and property from several high trees standing on Lots 11 and 12, Block 7, D.L. 549. City Clerk to notify owner to have trees cut down within ten days, failing which City to do the work and charge expense to property.

From J. S. Shepherd requesting sidewalk on north side of 16th Street, west, to entrance to his property. Referred to Board of Works.

From Wm. Bailey requesting Council to divert water in ditch on 15th Street from flowing across Block 45, D.L. 271. Referred to Board of Works and City Engineer to investigate and report.

From W.T. Graham requesting Council to place crossing on 13th Street to the lane in rear of his property, Lot 3, Block 74, D.L. 549. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mahon, McFarland & Proctor requesting permission to place steps temporarily on sidewalk to provide suitable access to premises to be occupied by the Bank of British North America in the Junction Block. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Henderson resolved that permission be granted until such time as street is permanently graded.

From Mussels Limited, advising that the rock crusher was to be delivered on the wharf at North Vancouver on Wednesday last.

From Ross & Howard Iron Works Co. Ltd., stating that they will be pleased to enter into the contract for manholes and sewer castings as per their Tender. On motion of Alderman Smith and Alderman Henderson resolved that the contract be awarded to the Ross and Howard Iron Works Company Limited.

From Tom John, Indian Mission, complaining of damage done to property by fence along the easterly boundary of the Indian Reserve being broken down by

the City in constructing the main sewer on Forbes Avenue. City Engineer instructed to replace and repair the fence.

From Solicitor Reid informing Council that he had communicated with the C.P.R. asking them to take some steps to remedy the trouble at the North Vancouver Ferry crossing and notified them that in case they do not he had instructions to apply to the Railway Commission.

From Hon. J.P. Mabee, Chief Commissioner, Board of Railway Commissioners, stating that he was having the matter of trouble at North Vancouver Ferry crossing taken up with the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. and that Council would be further advised as the matter progresses.

From Attorney General Bowser in reference to the amendment of the land Registry Act passed at the late session, he has made a change in the section of the bill, which did away with any objections which Council had. It was not the intention to prohibit blocks less than five acres from being subdivided, unfortunately the section was badly worded. The section as passed by the house was satisfactory.

From M.P. Cotton Company Limited again requesting Council that the inspection of sewer pipes be made on Evans Coleman and Evans wharf before loading on scow instead of on the street in North Vancouver. Company to be notified that specifications of the contract must be lived up to.

From Dr. J.J. Thomson, M.H.O., report that he would not recommend the use of the house at the corner of Jones Avenue and Keith Road as a Chinese Laundry as it was in a very dilapidated condition, the building was not habitable. Copy of Medical Health Officer's report to be sent to owner.

From Chief of Police Davies reporting that he had investigated the case of old man by the name of Walsh who had been living at the North Vancouver Hospital for some time at the City's expense. He had been put there on the order of Ex-Mayor May on the 25th November 1910. He was not ill. He has a sister by the name of Mrs. Ballinger living at the corner of 9th and Ridgeway and she apparently has means. On Saturday the 11th instant he had notified the Hospital that the City would not be responsible for the up keep of this man. The Clerk reported that an endeavor had been made to get him admitted to the Provincial Home when it was learned that at present the Home is full of inmates and as there are many applications for admission on file there was little hope of the applicant from North Vancouver being admitted for some time to come. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Henderson resolved that report and action of Chief of Police be confirmed. Alderman Kittson dissenting.

From City Engineer Hanes reporting that the law provides that not more than ten pounds of powder can be kept within the City Limits at any one time and that as

the Board of Works requires large quantities of powder for street clearing he though that in order to comply with the law powder should be stored outside the City Limits and the necessary amount of powder brought in each day for the different works in hand. On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson resolved that the City apply to the Lieutenant Governor in Council for a special license to store powder under the Explosives Act.

From City Engineer Hanes submitting reports on the following works of local improvement and recommending that the work be carried out on the initiative principle under Section 256 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

Street	Work	Estimated Cost	City's Share
Esplanade and Crescent Street from Forbes to St. David's	Wood block paving and concrete sidewalk	\$151,800	\$14,000
First Street from Forbes to St. David's Avenue	Wood block paving and concrete sidewalk	133,500	14,400
Lonsdale Avenue from Water Front to Upper Keith	Stone block paving and concrete sidewalks	98,000	13,700
Lonsdale Avenue from 18 th Street to City Limits	Wood block paving and concrete sidewalks	88,700	14,500

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

From City Engineer submitting reports on the following works of local improvement and recommending that the work be carried out on the initiative principle under Section 256 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

Street	Work	Estimated Cost	City's Share
19 th Street form Lonsdale to St. Andrew's Avenue	Sanitary sewer and sewer connections	\$19,620	\$1,000
12 th Street from Lonsdale to St. George's Avenues	Sanitary sewer and sewer connections	9,870	850
St. Andrew's Avenue from 3 rd Street to 8 th Street	Storm sewer	13,330	4,710
Esplanade and Crescent Street from Forbes Avenue to St. David's excepting portion between Rogers and Lonsdale	Grading to permanent grade	25,000	2,550
First Street from Forbes to St. David's	Grading to permanent grade	44,000	4,800
Second Street from Lonsdale to St. David's	Grading to permanent grade	20,800	1,280

Forbes Avenue from Esplanade to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	3,700	990
Mahon Avenue from Esplanade to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	7,240	480
Semish Avenue from Esplanade to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	3,620	150
Chesterfield Avenue from Water front to 3 rd	Grading to permanent grade	4,900	220
Rogers Avenue from Esplanade to alley north of 1 st Street	Grading to permanent grade	1,840	55
Lonsdale Avenue from Water front to Upper Keith Road	Grading to permanent grade	25,000	4,900
St. George's Avenue from Water front to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	4,680	120
St. Andrew's Avenue from Water front to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	5,600	325
St. Patrick's Avenue from Water front to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	4,600	220
St. David's Avenue from Crescent St. to 3 rd Street	Grading to permanent grade	2,900	1,150

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

The Acting Mayor read a letter received from Fire Chief Donovan requesting an investigation into his dismissal. Filed.

Applications received for the position of City Auditor from Reginald Barker, J. Albert Jackson, Percy S. Howard, B. Ibettson, James Ross, D.N. Robertson, Thomas Holman, T.W. Swannell, were referred to the Finance Committee.

Sixty-four applications received for the position of Building, Plumbing and Sanitary Inspector were referred to the Committee of the Whole Council and the Board of Health.

Seven sets of Tenders received for the construction of storm sewers on St. David's, St. Patrick's, St. Andrew's, St. George's Chesterfield and Mahon Avenues from Burrard Inlet to 3rd Street were opened and referred to the City Engineer to tabulate and report.

A plan of proposed subdivision of a portion of Lot 3, Block 229, D.L. 545, was considered. The Engineer reported that the 33' road allowance shown on the plan did not conform to the line of 26th Street, but would make a jog of about 60'. On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved that the plan be referred back to the owners with a suggestion that they confer with

adjacent owners with a view to getting 26th Street carried through in a direct line with 26th Street instead of a jog of about 60 feet.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Block 45, D.L. 271, was next considered. The Engineer reported that the westerly portion of this block was in a deep ravine and he recommended that this be shown on the final plan.

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved that plan be approved subject to the ravine being shown on the plan of subdivision.

Plan of proposed subdivision of Lot 11, Block 5, Lot 215B, D.L. 545. On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Smith, resolved that plan be approved provided lane not less than 12 feet wide is shown in rear of Lots 1 and 2.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General, Local Improvement), Waterworks, Fire & Light and Parks Committees on due accounts were submitted and read to the meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the amounts follows, viz:

Finance - General	\$590.06
Finance - Police	216.30
Finance - Schools	219.56
Finance - Health	521.65
Board of Works - General	6,447.27
Board of Works - Local Improvement	13,216.80
Local Improvements	1,469.63
Water Works	2,252.38
Fire and Light	2,038.46
Parks	34.85

The report of the Finance Committee, of the Fire & Light Committee, Water Committee and of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committees minutes of the 9th instant were read to and adopted by the Council.

The Clerk reported that the City Solicitor was of the opinion that the City could take possession of the Wireless Station in Victoria Park for non-payment of rent and non-performance by the Company of the covenants and conditions of their lease.

On motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Smith resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Company and ascertain what they propose doing in the matter, and that the Engineer meantime take charge of the station pending a settlement.

The Clerk reported that the contract for City Hall additions had been executed the work to be completed within three months from 8th March.

Alderman Smith suggested that in view of the tremendous amount of sewer pipe required for public works, Council consider the advisability of purchasing the pipe in the Old Country. The suggestion was considered a wise one by the Council and on motion of Alderman Henderson seconded by Alderman Kittson the matter was referred to the Board of Works Committee to take up with the City Engineer and report.

Bylaw No. 165, the Revenue Bylaw 1911, was read, reconsidered, adopted and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the Bylaw and the Clerk to affix the Corporation seal thereto.

Bylaw No. 166, being a Bylaw to enable the City to raise by way of loan, the sum of \$46,000, for the purpose of defraying the extraordinary expenses of the School Board for the year 1911, was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 167, being a Bylaw to enable the City to raise \$20,000 to purchase Blocks 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 22, 23, 26, 27 and 28, D.L. 855, was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 168, being a Bylaw to enable the City to raise \$8,000.00 for the purpose of carrying out alterations on and additions to the City Hall for heating and furnishing the building was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 169, being a Bylaw to authorize the City to subscribe for \$80,000 shares in the capital stock of the Ferry Company was also introduced, Read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

On motion of Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Henderson, resolved that Bylaws No. 166, 167, 168 and 169 be submitted to a vote of the Electors at the City Hall on Saturday the 25th day of March, and that City Clerk Shepherd be appointed Returning Officer with the usual powers in that behalf. Council then went into Committee of the Whole, Alderman Henderson presiding.

The Council took up consideration of the communication received from the City Clerk respecting circumstances concerning Victoria Election and names to be place don the Assessment Roll and Voters' List.

A memo of the law governing the preparation of the Assessment Roll and Voters' List was placed in the hands of the Council. After debate Alderman McRae moved that the Council hold a special meeting on Friday evening next to consider the appointment of an Assessor and Assessment Commissioner and any other matters. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith.

Alderman Kittson moved in amendment that the Council proceed to settle the matter finally tonight. The amendment was not seconded. The motion on being put carried, Alderman Kittson dissenting.

The reports of the City Engineer on the various works of local improvement were adopted.

Alderman Smith moved that the applications received for the position of Building, Plumbing and Sanitary Inspector be referred to the City Engineer to prepare a short list of twelve and bring in report to Council. The motion was seconded by Alderman Biss and passed in the affirmative. Alderman Kittson dissenting.

On motion of Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved to reconsider the motion to hold a special meeting on Friday.

Alderman McRae moved that the Council on rising stand adjourned until Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith.

Alderman Kittson moved an amendment that the Council stand adjourned until Friday evening unless time permits to deal with business after the close of Committee meetings on Thursday night. The amendment was seconded by Alderman Biss. On a division they voted for the amendment, Alderman Kittson and Alderman Biss (2) And for the motion Alderman McRae a Alderman Smith (2).

The Chairman gave his casting vote in favor of the motion which was declared carried.

The Committee rose and reported.

Alderman Henderson moved that the report of the Committee be adopted. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to. Alderman Kittson dissenting.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor