

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 1911 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.**

His Worship Mayor McNeish presiding and all the Aldermen present.

The Minutes of the regular meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> instant copies of which had been previously sent to each member of the Council, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman McRae and Alderman Smith adopted by the Council.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From John Purse asking to have Keith Road cleared in front of Lot 3, Block 3, D.L. 273 as he intended building. Referred to Board of Works.

From Peers & Boulton requesting on behalf of client access to Lot 9, Block 211, D.L. 544 for building purposes. Referred to Board of Works.

From Edgar Stevenson requesting water service and road to be opened up to Lot 33, Block 226A, D.L.'s 544 and 545, also dangerous trees removed. Referred to Water Committee and Board of Works Committee.

From J.A. Harrison, requesting sidewalk and 19<sup>th</sup> Street to be graded from Moody Avenue to Lot 10, Block 15, D.L. 550. Referred to Board of Works.

From G.H. Keddie requesting 20<sup>th</sup> Street to be opened up to Lot 16, east part of 12, D.L. 550, for building purposes. Referred to Board of Works.

From Henry N. Knight requesting boulders to be cleared off street in front of office at 115 - 5<sup>th</sup> Street West. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.P. Curran making application for a road to be constructed to Lots 23 and 24, Block 7, D.L. 549, on which he undertook to build houses of the value of \$6,000. Referred to Board of Works.

From Wm. Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, Ottawa, acknowledging receipt of copy resolution passed by the Council with regard to second narrows bridge which would have careful consideration. Filed.

From Deputy Minister Finance, Ottawa, acknowledging receipt of copy resolution passed by Council respecting second narrows bridge. Filed.

From James Gaudin, Agent, Marine & Fisheries Department, Victoria, acknowledging receipt of plan and description of the proposed extension of the Esplanade along the foreshore of the Squamish Mission Indian Reserve and advising that he was mailing his report to the department on the subject. Filed.

From Brouse, Mitchell & Co. advising that they had taken delivery from the Bank of the \$25,000 debentures issued under Bylaws No. 135 and 137 and give check in payment. Filed.

From J.W. Donaldson, Secretary, Board of Trade, suggesting that the matter of approaching Coronation of the King and this year's Dominion Day celebration be taken in hand by a Committee representatives of the whole North Shore composed of delegates appointed by the City and District Councils, the Board of Trade and Citizens.

Alderman Henderson and Alderman Biss were appointed to act as delegates from the City Council.

From City Solicitor Reid with letter from Messrs. McDonald Killam & Farris, offering to sell without prejudice on behalf of Mrs. Mann lot on which isolation hospital is built for \$2,500.00.

On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that Council make a counter offer of \$2,000 without prejudice.

From City Engineer Hanes advising that on March 30<sup>th</sup> he notified Romano, Pinto & Co. to commence the construction of St. Patrick's Avenue storm sewer. This they failed to do and he had today given them notice to commence not later than tomorrow 25<sup>th</sup> instant, and have the works completed by June 1<sup>st</sup>, as provided for in their contract.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Kittson, resolved that Messrs. Romano Pinto & Co. be notified to commence the work immediately.

From City Engineer Hanes, advising that he had today notified Messrs. McDonnell, Gzowski & Co. to put on enough men on their various sewer jobs so that they would finish their contracts on time, and suggestion that a similar notice be sent to Contractors by the Council. On motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Smith resolved that Engineer's recommendation be acted upon.

From E. Buchan, Agent Bank of Hamilton, Vancouver, wishing to know what decision had been come to in regard to the grade and sidewalk in front of the Bank of Hamilton and Keith Blocks at the corner of Lonsdale and 1<sup>st</sup> Streets, as they were ready to go on with the cement sidewalk if such was to be put down.

On motion of Alderman Henderson resolved that Mr. Buchan be informed of action Council is taking pending the completion of the grading, and that Council would offer the Bank and Mr. Keith facilities to place steps temporarily on the sidewalk. The Engineer thought this the best course to pursue.

From Armilius Jarvis & Co. advising that they were negotiating re temporary advances and asking to be furnished immediately with particulars regarding amount, purpose of issue, term, interest ate, etc. under each proposed Bylaw, and when each proposed work will be completed.

On motion of Alderman McRae and Alderman Dick resolved that Clerk furnish the particulars as soon as possible.

From Walter Thomas advising that the North Vancouver Lacrosse Club had agreed to play two probationary games with Vancouver and New Westminister (World's Champions) to show qualifications to enter League; on May 13<sup>th</sup> next North Vancouver Club opens the season with New Westminister at Recreation Park, Vancouver. Mr. Thomas wishes to secure the services of the City Bank to parade the streets of Vancouver previous to the match and advertise North Vancouver on banners etc. etc. also to play selections on the grounds. Such services to be donated by Police.

On motion of Alderman Kittson correspondence referred to Joint Civic Advertising Committee.

From W.A. Corder, Engineering & Supply Company making application for permission to excavate for and install fuel, oil supply tanks underneath the sidewalk areas and lanes. Referred to Fire & Light Committee.

From City Auditor Howard with financial statement for quarter ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1911. Referred to Finance Committee.

Petition E. Philip Gilman and others requesting Council to grade to permanent grade for full width 14<sup>th</sup> street from east boundary of Lonsdale Avenue to west boundary of St. George's Avenue, and to construct a sanitary sewer on said portion of 14<sup>th</sup> Street as work of local improvement. Referred to Board of Works Committee.

From James P. Fell, forwarding plan of east half of D.L. 552, showing alterations proposed by City Engineer. The Park area had been altered in accordance with the suggestion of Mr. Bridgeman and approved of by the Park Committee. Mr. Fell agreed to withhold from sale or to sell subject to an agreement with the Council as to slopes of roads being on the following lots bordering on Fell Avenue namely:

Lots 8 to 14, Block 43; Lots 8, 9 10 and 11, Block 25; Lots 16 to 20, Block 36; Lots 18 and 19, Block 37 and the whole of Block 39. The area of the park was considerably larger than before and Keith Road 80' wide was not as before included in the Park Area. Alderman Biss reported that the Park Committee approved of the alteration in the park area and moved that the plan be adopted by the Council subject to the conditions set out in Mr. Fell's letter, and that "Heywood Park" was shown on face of plan. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kittson and unanimously agreed to.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General, Schools and Public Health) Board of Works (General and Local Improvement) Waterworks, Fire and 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 following, viz:

Finance, General	\$18.90
Finance, Schools	1,225.00
Finance, Public Health	25.00
Board of Works, General	1,989.10
Board of Works, Local Improvement	13,444.60
Water works	925.85
Fire and Light	25.00
Parks	2,271.60

Bylaw No. 174 being a Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 124 the Local Improvement General Bylaw No. 2 was introduced and read a first and second time. The Clerk was instructed to furnish each member of the Council with a copy of the Bylaw.

Alderman Henderson moved that the Esplanade be opened up through the Lonsdale Gardens and cleared for full width and that contractors be granted privilege of dumping surplus earth in ravine. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dick and unanimously agreed to.

A letter was read from Mrs. Adelaide Reese property owner in Blocks 166, 168 and 170 wishing to know when the Council intend to have Esplanade opened through the Lonsdale Gardens. Clerk to inform her of resolution just passed.

A deputation of about eighty City workmen were present in support of an appeal made on their behalf by M. Cronin for an increase in wages to \$2.80 per day of eight hours, the same as is paid in Vancouver. Alderman Kittson thought the request was most reasonable and moved that the City pay the same rate of wages as paid in Vancouver City. The men were reminded that their request had been laid over to obtain certain information which was not yet forthcoming. Alderman Henderson stated that the Board of Works although in favor of the increase could not see their way to acquiesce meantime it may prejudice and jeopardize other matters now on hand.

The Mayor counseled waiting and promised definite decision in about four weeks time. He also agreed to inform Mr. Cronin privately of the valid reasons for delay. The was satisfactory to the deputation and the workmen retired.

The Mayor reported that in company with the City Engineer and waterworks foreman he had met with certain of the Indian Chiefs and agreed upon the location for the water main and taps also fire hydrants in the Reserve. Alderman Dick moved that the Indian Agent be consulted after which that the City Engineer be authorized to proceed with the work of installing the water service. The motion as seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

Alderman Henderson moved that the City Engineer be authorized to proceed with the work of opening up 3<sup>rd</sup> Street through the reserve. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to.

Alderman Henderson brought up the question of watering Lonsdale Avenue from waterfront as far north as 3<sup>rd</sup> Street during the summer months. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Biss this matter was referred to Board of Works Committee with power to act.

A detailed summary of the gas proposition submitted by Messrs. Coates & Hancock at last meeting was laid on the table and the Clerk instructed to furnish each member with a copy.

Council adjourned till Thursday Evening next at 8 o'clock.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor