

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 14th DAY OF AUGUST 1911 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor McNeish, presiding
Alderman McRae
Alderman Henderson
Alderman Dick
Alderman Smith
Alderman Biss
Alderman Kittson

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 7th copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Biss and Alderman Smith adopted.

Communications received from the following parties dealing with matters coming within the purview of the Board of Works were referred to the Committee to consider and report upon.

From Wm. Johnson asking to have road constructed to Lot 9, D.L. 273, 200' on Western Avenue north from 27th Street.

From Mrs. Agnes McLean asking to have 16th Street opened up 1 ½ blocks East of the Boulevard and sidewalk laid.

From J.R. Chatman asking to have 27th Street cleared to Lot 42, Block 237, D.L. 545.

From Latimer & Elliott making application for sidewalk on south side of 17th Street from boulevard to west side of Lot 4, Block 35, D.L. 550.

From John Wm. Benson asking to have 7th Street opened up to Lot 10, Block 8, D.L. 273.

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co asking Board of Works to clear brush on Keith Road from Chesterfield Avenue to Victoria Park to permit of Company building pole line.

Communications were received, read Alderman Dick disposed of as follows:

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C., advising that Council's communication with reference to the subdivision of Lots extending over the Lilloet Road had been referred to the Plans Committee of the District Council to take up with their Solicitor.

From R.H. Sperling, Gen. Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co. expressing thanks to Council for permitting Company to temporarily abandon car service on Keith Road from Fell Avenue to the present terminus. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Dick, resolved that Company be asked to give an assurance in writing that service will be resumed again on demand of the Council.

From E. Buchan, Agent, Bank of Hamilton, advising that he had communicated with the General Manager of the Bank regarding Councils proposal to lay sewer at rear of Bank's property corner of 1st Street and Lonsdale avenue, and that matter had been carefully considered and they could not see their way clear to permit the laying of a sewer through the private property of the Bank. If City were to purchase sufficient property from the owners to make an alleyway between 1st Street and the Esplanade this would obviate the difficulty and any complications in the future. Referred to Board of Works.

From Wallace Shipyards Limited, stating that they would like if possible to have their taxes placed at a given figure for a certain number of years suggesting (Ten) so that they could be certain their taxes would not be increased to a figure that it would be impossible for them to continue business in North Vancouver. A fair basis of taxation would be similar amount as that paid by their competitors in Vancouver. The question was asked if Council had power to grant a rebate. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Smith resolved that communication be filed.

From Alex Philip offering to sell to the City, D.L. 1016 comprising 320 acres for \$38,000 on terms. The property was eminently suited for water shed and park purposes and he suggested the purchase of it either by the City alone or in conjunction with the District. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From H.E. Kemp, Secretary-Treasurer, North Vancouver city Ferries Limited, with statement of receipts and working expenses of the Ferry Company for half year ending May 31st, 1911 also profit and loss statement for the month of June 1911. Clerk was directed to furnish copies to each member of the Council.

A petition received from E.H. Lundin-Brown and seven other residents and ratepayers in the vicinity asking for a 4' sidewalk to be constructed on the East side of Ridgeway Avenue from 12th to 13th Streets was referred to the Board of Works.

From City Engineer Hanes, reporting that as the grading of Lonsdale avenue between the waterfront and Upper Keith Road would soon be completed he recommended that steps be taken immediately to provide sufficient money for surfacing Lonsdale Avenue with crushed rock or constructing a plank road to take the traffic during the rainy season otherwise the street would become practically impassible. It would require about 3500 cubic yards of crushed rock to

put on a layer about 4' thick and would cost in the neighborhood of \$1.80 per yard delivered on scow at North Vancouver, or about the sum of \$10,000 delivered on the street.

Alderman Henderson called Council's attention to the fact that some \$25,000 had been provided by Bylaw for the grading of Lonsdale avenue from the waterfront to Upper Keith Road, and that the contract had been let for a sum in the neighborhood of \$12,000 leaving a balance of twelve or thirteen thousand dollars unexpended which might probably be applied in macadamizing or planking the roadway.

Alderman Dick protested against Lonsdale Avenue being singled out for such treatment and claimed that the unexpended balance could not be appropriated for macadamizing or planking of the roadway. The money was borrowed for the specific purpose of grading. The Esplanade and First Street were in a similar condition to that of Lonsdale Avenue.

Alderman Henderson moved that the City Engineer advise the Council forthwith as to the best method of taking care of all streets now being put to permanent grade whether by macadamizing or planking and return an estimate of the relative cost thereof. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dick and agreed too.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Lots 4 and 5, Block 35, D.L. 550, previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith and passed by the Council.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (General, Police, Schools, Health 2), Board of Works (General and Local Improvement), Waterworks, Fire and Light and Parks Committees on due accounts were submitted and read to the meeting by the respective chairman and the Treasurer was authorized to pay accounts to the amounts following, viz:

Finance - General	\$122.38
Finance - Police	667.40
Finance - Schools	1,647.65
Finance - Health	162.70
Finance - Health	187.54
Board of Works - Local Improvement	14,456.97
Board of Works - General	2,814.73
Waterworks	25,379.89

The waterworks accounts were passed subject to the bills being checked over by the Committee.

Fire and Light	987.55
Parks	70.41

The report of the Finance Committee of the Water Committee, Fire and Light Committee and of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 10th August were read and severally adopted.

The Treasurer submitted statements of expenditures of various Committees to 30th June 1911.

Alderman Dick moved that the City Engineer be instructed to post notices of applications for records on any sites or streams which he believed to be suitable for reservoirs or storage and report to the Council at an early date. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henderson and agreed to.

The offer received from Alex Philip of D.L. 1016 was referred to the Waterworks Committee and City Engineer for report as to the desirability of purchasing the property.

The City Clerk was instructed to ascertain timber licenses registered on the Upper reaches of the Lynn Creek.

Alderman Biss suggested that the question of conservation of watersheds be taken up with the Government at the same time as rehearing of Rice Lake.

Council adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor