

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 23rd DAY OF OCTOBER 1911 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The minutes of the Special meeting of the 12th instant and of the Regular meeting of the 16th instant copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Biss adopted by the council.

Communications were received and read as follows:

From G.S. Wilson, Assistant Secretary Union of Canadian Municipalities, soliciting support and cooperation with the Union and remittance of annual fee for 1911. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Smith resolved that annual fee of \$15.00 be paid.

From S.J. Holmes making application for sidewalk on East side of Forbes Avenue between Keith Road and 5th Street. Referred to Board of Works.

From Geo. Sinclair again making application for sidewalk on 19th Street between Jones and Mahon Avenues. Referred to Board of Works.

From A. Grant, J. Rowe, Assistant City Clerk. asking to have stumps and logs removed from street in front of Lot 20, Block 2, D.L. 273. Referred to Board of Works.

From McAllister Bros. requesting Lonsdale Avenue to be repaired in front of Stevenson Block between 23rd and 24th Streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mrs. C.I. Hall reporting accident sustained by her in alighting from street car at corner of 1st Street and Lonsdale Avenue on account of change of grade. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Wylie and William Hall again calling attention to the condition of 19th street west and requesting suitable crossing for pedestrians at JUNCTION OF Mahon Avenue and 19th Street. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mrs. H.K. Vickery regarding stumps and logs being piled on her property at corner of 18th and St. Andrew's Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From A.W. Evans requesting two-plank sidewalk on north side of 3rd Street west of Bewicke Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C., informing Council that the District of North Vancouver are in negotiation with the B.C. Telephone Co. for the installation of a phone in their new offices at the corner of Lynn Valley and Fromme Roads and that it was likely a month would elapse before the necessary pole line and wiring for the purpose could be completed, and that meantime the District office was without a phone and inquiring whether the City Council would be willing to allow the District to be put on a party line with the City's Waterworks intake until separate phone could be installed. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that desired permission be granted.

From G.G. Palmer advising that Block 231A, had been cleared including the lane extending through his property and requesting payment for the cost of clearing the lane amounting to approximately \$100.00. He was willing, however, should the City Council see their way clear to open up 26th Street along the face of Block 231A and 230A, to abandon any claim he had for clearing the lane, also outstanding claim for clearing St. Andrew's Avenue amounting to \$25.00. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Engineer Hanes reporting that in carrying out the Queensbury Avenue grading where the B.C.E. tracks are on the street allowance, the poles are standing partly on the roadway allowance and the Company was commencing to lower them. He recommended that the Company be asked to move the poles back to the curb grade. He also recommended that the Company be asked to place a plank crossing over their tracks on 17th street at the intersection of Queensbury Avenue where a new road grade had been made. He also recommended that the Company be asked to put a temporary track on the side of Sutherland Avenue from 20th to 21st so that he may be able to complete the grading of the portion of the street occupied by the car tracks.

The Mayor reported that the Company had arranged to put on extra cars and transfer passengers so as to enable the City to complete the grading of Sutherland Avenue between 20th and 21st Streets.

The Board of Works and City Engineer were instructed to interview the Local Manager with regard to getting the track placed near the center of the street. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Smith the remainder of the report was adopted.

From City Engineer reporting that he had examined the plank road on Williams Avenue and in that portion of the City north of D.L. 616 and on the Lynn Valley trail and found that several sections of the road were practically impassible and that if it was the intention of the Council to keep the road in repair he recommended that it be repaired at once by expending at present the sum of \$500.00. Referred to Board of Works.

From A.B. Cather, Secretary Harbor Improvements Committee with copy minutes of Joint Harbor Improvements Committees meeting held at City Hall, Vancouver on 18th instant and advising that the following gentlemen had been appointed a Committee to assist in gathering data and information for the use of Government representatives in presenting the needs of Vancouver harbor and the North Arm of the Fraser River, in concrete form to the Dominion Government:

Alderman Cameron, Vancouver
 Mr. E. Odlum, Vancouver
 R.D. Hodson, South Vancouver
 Councillor Churchill, Point Grey
 Mayor McNeish, North Vancouver

Filed for future reference.

Mr. Robertson of the McAlpine, Robertson Construction Company was heard regarding the formation of roads to give access to houses built on Cumberland Crescent, the B.C. Electric Railway Co. had refused to give light until roads are made. The City Engineer was instructed to accompany Mr. Robertson over the property and report to the Board of Works some means of providing temporary access to the property.

The following Tenders were received and opened:

For construction of sanitary sewer with lot connections on Esplanade and Crescent Street from St. George's to St. David's:

R.E. Lee	\$33,993.88
Thompson & Stuart	\$13,487.95
Ledingham & Cooper	\$39,505.90
L.B. Laplaca	\$32,647.00
Kennedy Bros.	\$22,250. or \$21,383 if pipes inspected in Vancouver.

For sanitary sewer with lot connections on 2nd Street from 300' east of St. Andrew's to St. David's Avenue:

Thompson & Stuart	\$36,693.14
Ledingham & Cooper	\$10,504.90
R.E. Lee	\$16,377.60
K.R. Paykull	\$10,121.00
L.P. Laplaca	\$14,451.00
Calder & Chapple	\$11,500.00
Kennedy Bros.	\$13,730 or \$13,140 if pipes inspected in Vancouver.

The tenders were referred to the City Engineer for tabulation and report at meeting on Thursday night.

A plan of subdivision of Block 209, D.L. 546 previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman McRae and Alderman Dick passed by the Council.

Reports and recommendations by Board of Works, (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 the accounts to the amounts following:

Board of Works	\$1,014.60
Local Improvement	8,940.50
Waterworks	11,060.75
Fire and Light	181.68
Parks	148.00

The following telegram was read from AEmilius Jarvis & Company:

“In view of your telegram of today we will allow offer stand until Council meeting Monday night our offer carries accrued interest in addition from last interest date as former coupons 1910 issue have matured relative basis for four and halves eighty-nine eighty five and interest. Mailing valuation tables.”

Alderman Kittson moved that Messrs. AEmilius Jarvis & Company be informed that Council do not consider their offer satisfactory and that it is believed arrangements can be made with the Bank for temporary advances pending the next issue of debentures and until the market is more favorable. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and unanimously agreed to.

A communication was read from E.R. Chandler offering to sell to the City five sections of timber comprising 3200 acres on Lynn Creek as shown on accompanying plan for \$100,000. The owners were willing to accept City Debentures in payment bearing 6% interest. Referred to Waterworks Committee and City Engineer.

Alderman McRae submitted the following reports on due accounts by the Finance Committee which were authorized to be paid.

Finance - General	\$1,091.09
Finance -0Health	161.60
Finance - School	7,500.00

The Mayor reported that it was the intention of the Police Magistrate to establish a small debts Court in the City, and that the duties of Clerk of the Police Court

had become so multitudinous it was necessary to appoint a Clerk and competent stenographer for the Court and Police Office. The Council referred this matter to the Police Commissioners to deal with.

The Chief of Police brought up the question of the appointment of a Jailer, Pound keeper and Janitor. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman McRae this matter was referred to the Mayor and Chief of Police to bring in a recommendation.

A letter was read from Messrs. MacDonell, Gzowski & Co. addressed to the City Engineer claiming some \$32,000 odd for extras on their sewer contracts. The Engineer stated that the only extras authorized amounted to some \$6,100, and that in regard to tunneling the contract allowed the City Engineer to give his consent to any alteration in the contract provided it was taken into account as an omission or extra. That he gave the Contractors permission to tunnel under the street railway tracks on 1st Street and Lonsdale Avenue. The Engineer considered the Contractor's bill of extras absurd and unfair.

After discussion it was decided on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Smith that the City Engineer should confer with the Contractors or their representatives and go over the bill for extras item by item with a view to arriving at some reasonable and amicable settlement.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor