

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 6th DAY OF NOVEMBER 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 Adjourned Regular Meeting of the 26<sup>th</sup> and of the Regular Meeting of the 30<sup>th</sup> October copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Biss adopted.

Communications were received and read as follows:

From Mrs. Henrietta E. Eves requesting that sidewalk be laid to her house on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Lot 9, Block 153, D.L. 274 also that the alley in rear of the property be opened up and put to permanent grade. Referred to Board of Works.

From Hutchison, McMillan & Co. requesting on behalf of their client Mr. Howard B. Stoker that 14<sup>th</sup> street be graded to Lot 11, easterly part of Block 51, D.L. 549.

From H.B. Stoker making similar request. Referred to Board of Works.

From Theodore Howard requesting that surface drainage in locality of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Streets between Sutherland and Williams Avenues be attended to, and that portion of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Streets between Sutherland and Williams Avenues be cleared and short length of sidewalk provided. Alderman Henderson moved that the drainage of the locality be taken in hand by the City Engineer in accordance with previous recommendation. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and carried.

From A.J. Prosser again requesting sidewalk to be laid on St. Georges Avenue between 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From Alex Grant, J. Rowe, Assistant City Clerk. again requesting that stumps and logs be removed from street in front of Lot 20, Block 2, D.L. 273. Referred to Board of Works.

From F. Farrow, requesting that stumps be blasted on street and lane in front and rear of Lot 6, Block 2, D.L. 273.

From Cormack and Biddlecombe making claim of \$10.00 for damage done to rig and harness while driving along 1<sup>st</sup> Street owing to dangerous and unsafe condition of the Street. On motion of Alderman Dick, seconded by Alderman Henderson resolved that parties be written to and regret of Council expressed at inconvenience suffered by reason of condition of street which is at present being locally improved.

From R. MacKenzie, Acting Secretary Ratepayers Association requesting that 13<sup>th</sup> Street be graded and macadamized so as to facilitate the operations of the fire brigade. Referred to Board of Works.

From R. MacKenzie, Acting Secretary Ratepayers Association requesting that Forbes Avenue be graded and macadamized from the Esplanade to 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Referred to Board of Works.

From A.R. Gibson, Contractor, requesting fifteen days extension of time in which to complete 2<sup>nd</sup> Street grading contract. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Henderson resolved that desired extension be granted.

From Chas. W. Webb, C.M.C., Chilliwack offering to purchase dis-used hose reel for village of Rosedale. Referred to Chairman of Fire Committee with power to act.

From City Engineer reporting that funds available for operating rock crusher would be used up in another week's time. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Engineer reporting that it will cost about the sum of \$150 to blow the stumps on 15<sup>th</sup> street between Sutherland and Rufus Avenues.

From Solicitor Reid reporting that the judgment in Mann, Vs. North Vancouver was for \$500.00, and that the costs had been taxed at \$357.00. \$250.00 had been paid in the Court leaving a balance due of \$607.00 and requesting check in payment. Referred to Finance Committee.

From North Vancouver Land & Improvement Company wishing to know the basis of local improvement under which the Council desire to acquire the triangular piece of ground being Lot 19, Block 162, D.L. 271. Referred to City Engineer and City Clerk to interview and furnish Mr. Mann the President of the Company with the information.

From F. W. Fugler, Building Inspector with monthly report as follows:

The number of building permits issued by me for the month of October was 36.

Total value		\$24,700.00
Fees collected		65.00

Set of plumbing tested	51	
Septic tanks installed	18	
No. permits taken for house connections	47	
House connections made	25	
Nuisance complaints	6	
Garbage calls	252	

On motion the report was adopted.

From North Vancouver Land & Improvement Co. requesting payment of \$3,402.00 for clearing of Grand Boulevard extension and certain streets in D.L.'s 544, 545, 546, and 550 as per agreement. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Clerk, Board of Police Commissioners with recommendations that Janitor, Jailer and Pound keeper be appointed at a salary of %\$60.00 per month and that applications be called for the position of Police Court Clerk and stenographer and Clerk of the Small Debts Court at a salary of \$75.00 per month. Referred to Finance Committee.

From George Campbell, Secretary School Board, advising that the attention of the Board of School Trustees had been directed to a report containing alarmist statements regarding alleged dangerous state of affairs obtaining at two of the public schools in North Vancouver in the event of fire, drawn up by the Fire chief and that a meeting of the School Trustees it was resolved to severely condemn the action taken by the Fire chief as being unwarranted in face of the actual circumstances, to emphatically refute allegation of inadequate fire protection and to strongly disapprove of the grossly exaggerated tone of the report as being calculated to convey erroneous impressions and thereby militate against the progress of the Schools and fully detailing the arrangements of the respective buildings and the provisions prevailing to cope with any out-break of fire.

Alderman Dick moved that the report of the School Trustees be received and accepted and that the Fire Chief be instructed to confine his attention to his own particular department under the Council, believing that the dangers alleged are non-existent. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kittson and agreed to.

The North Vancouver City Ferries Limited submitted statement showing traffic receipts for the month of October to be \$11,230.25; comparative figures, October 1909, \$5,070.80; October 1910, \$6,974.95.

A letter was read from Chas. H. Proske making application on behalf of residents for sidewalk to be constructed on 26<sup>th</sup> Street from Jones Avenue east to Chesterfield Avenue, then south to 25<sup>th</sup> Street and east to Western Avenue. Mr. Proske was heard in support of the application. Referred to Board of Works.

Mr. Day made application in person for sidewalk to be constructed on 18<sup>th</sup> Street West of Mahon Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

Mr. Willett addressed the council asking for a road and sidewalk to be constructed on 27<sup>th</sup> Street from Lonsdale Avenue to St. George's Avenue; On St. George's from 27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> and on 28<sup>th</sup> from St. George's to 400' east so as to provide suitable access to numerous residents in that locality. Mr. Willett reported that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. had agreed to furnish light to residents there if right-of-way for pole line was cleared. Alderman Dick moved that the application for road and sidewalk be referred to the Board of Works and that the advice of the City Solicitor be obtained as to whether B.C. Electric Railway Co. is compelled under their franchise to furnish light to bona fide applicants. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to.

Mr. Ritchie addressed the Council complaining of the wretched condition of 25<sup>th</sup> street East. Referred to Board of Works.

A plan of proposed subdivision of portion of Block 61, D.L. 549, previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Henderson passed by the Council.

A plan of the proposed subdivision of Temple Heights being Block 231, D.L. 546, also previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Henderson passed by the Council.

It was decided to suggest to the owners that the names assigned to the various streets be changed.

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

Finance	\$1,749.95
Board of Health	351.00
Police	640.00
Board of Works	3,074.05
Local Improvement	21,866.73
Waterworks	6,322.85
Fire and Light	714.66
Parks & Cemetery	199.00

Alderman Biss moved that the City Engineer be instructed to locate two or three acres of rock suitable for quarrying purposes. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dick and agreed to.

Alderman Kittson gave notice that at next regular meeting of the Council he would move the following resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED that the Council on their own initiative carry out the following works of local improvement under section 2 of the Local Improvement General Bylaw:

1. That Lonsdale Avenue, be paved from the water front to the north side of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street with material considered most suitable by the City Engineer.
2. That the Esplanade, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets be paved with wood blocks, one block east and west of Lonsdale avenue.
3. That cement sidewalks be constructed on Lonsdale Avenue from the waterfront to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and on 1<sup>st</sup> Street from St. George’s Avenue to Chesterfield Avenue, from curb to building line.
4. That cement sidewalks 6’ wide be constructed on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets from St. George’s avenue to Chesterfield Avenue.”

On motion of Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Kittson it was resolved that pending the preparation and completion and delivery of the Debentures authorized to be issued by Bylaw No. 178, being the Consolidated Local Improvement Bylaws 1911 and Bylaws Nos. 166, 167 and 168, application be made to Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. the purchasers for the proceeds of the Debentures and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute under the Seal of the Corporation an acknowledgement that such moneys have been paid in respect of the Debentures to be issued by the Corporation under the said Bylaws and an undertaking in favor of Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. under the Seal of the Corporation to issue such Debentures and to deliver the same to the Bank of British North America of Vancouver for the account of Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. as soon as they have been prepared and completed and in any event to deliver them completed not later than 31<sup>st</sup> January 1912.

The Mayor reported that from personal observation made he was under the impression that private owners in building wharves on the foreshore in front of the westerly side of the Indian Reserve were encroaching on the City’s foreshore at Bewicke avenue street end.

Alderman Dick moved that the City Engineer be instructed to make survey of the situation and report to the Council Thursday evening. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

Alderman McRae inquired under what authority rock was being laid on the east side of Lonsdale Avenue from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street south, in view of resolution having been passed to plank the street. It was explained that the Engineer had received instructions from the Mayor and Chairman of the Board of Works to do the work.

Alderman Henderson moved that the previous resolution be rescinded. The motion was seconded by Alderman Biss and agreed to. Alderman McRae dissenting.

Alderman Henderson moved that the macadamizing of the east side of Lonsdale Avenue be continued as far as the wharf. The rock to be laid three or four inches thick and broken to standard gauge of 2 ½". The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to. Alderman McRae dissenting.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Kittson.

Council adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor