

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 27th 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 Regular Meeting held on the 20th 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 Smith adopted.

Communications were received and read as follows:

From L.L. Webster making application for sidewalk to be laid on the north side of 10th Street from the Boulevard to Lot 18, Block 91, D.L. 550. Referred to Board of Work..

From A. Wallace requesting the removal of two dangerous trees standing on Lots 13 and 14, Block 226A. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.W. Weston calling attention to the dangerous condition of 2nd Street at the corner of Semisch Avenue and requesting the removal of Boulders piled there by grading contractors. The engineer reported that the Contractor would be in a position to remove the boulders and put the street in shape in a few days, and the Clerk was directed to advise Mr. Weston of these facts.

From Chas. H. Cates requesting permission to construct one large septic tank on southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 9, D.L. 265 to receive drainage of five cottages he is erecting there instead of building one tank for each house. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Henderson referred to City Engineer to grant permission of possible.

From Solicitor Reid re claim of J. Sidney Rogers for damage done to property by flooding of Creek running down Ridgeway Avenue and advising that under the circumstances he could not see in what way the City was liable for any loss sustained by Mr. Rogers. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman McRae resolved that Mr. Rogers be advised accordingly.

The Engineer reported that he had visited the locality and found that parties building houses at the corner of 8th and Ridgeway had filled up the Creek bed with excavations from basements of their buildings. On motion of Alderman Biss

seconded by Alderman Kittson it was resolved that the owners be written to and asked to remove the earth filled in the Creek.

From Mrs. Mary A. Stephens giving notice that she would hold the City responsible for any damage or injury to property or life or personal accident that may be occasioned through or by the lowering or alteration of the grade of 2nd Street in front and contiguous to Lots 14, 15, and 16, Block 152, D.L. 274. On motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Dick communication was filed.

From H.S. Hancock J. Rowe, Assistant City Clerk. wishing the Council to place on record the result of its deliberation in reference to the application made by Mr. Coates and himself re the establishment of Municipal Gas Plant for North Vancouver, in order that next years Council may be in a better position to deal with the matter if no action taken this year. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Smith resolved that communication be laid over until meeting estimates are to be considered.

From City Engineer advising that B.C. Telephone Co. are moving their poles on Lonsdale Avenue from 11th street northward to the new curb line and recommending that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. be requested to do the same. On motion of Alderman Kittson seconded by Alderman Biss resolved that B.C. Electric Railway Co. be requested to move their poles on Lonsdale avenue to the new curb line in accordance with arrangement come to some months ago.

From Messrs. Taylor, Harvey, Bird and Grant stating that they had received instructions from Messrs. Romano, Pinto & Company to request an advance on account of moneys due them in respect to their contract with this City. Their clients it was alleged completed the work under their contract on or about the 7th instant, and the work was inspected and verbally passed b the Engineer on or about the 10th instant. They had now received a letter requiring certain changes to be made but which could only be made at heavy expense. These changes it was alleged were not rendered necessary through defects in the work of their clients but through defects in the system of laying the sewers required by the specifications. The same not being calculated to withstand floods such as recently occurred.

The Engineer stated that the Writers were not correct in saying he had passed the work verbally. He had given Romano Pinto & Co. notice of what work was required to be done to complete their contract. They have some tunnels to cut down, surface earth to remove and manholes to fix up. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Kittson the communication was referred to the City Engineer and City Solicitor, the Engineer to furnish the Solicitor with a statement of the facts.

From AEmilius Jarvis & Co. advising that Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. had paid into the Bank of B.N.A., London on November 16th for the credit of the City

£139,498; 4: 3., and advising that they had drawn on the City for \$1,919.56 being one quarter of one percent on sale of \$709,525 Debentures, \$1,773.75 and for telegrams and cables \$145.81. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries informing Council that no leases of foreshore in front of the Squamish Mission Indian Reserve had been granted to A. McAllister and to Messrs. Greer, Coyle & Co., by the Department. Booming privileges had been accorded these parties by the Department of Indian Affairs and inquiries were being made as to the exact facts of the case. Filed.

From James P. Fell advising that the militia department had sanctioned the organization of a company of field engineers with head quarters in North Vancouver and were prepared to supply stores, equipment etc., and build Armory and Drill Hall for the accommodation of the Company provided the City would supply a suitable site. He believed the most suitable and central site available was the southwest corner of Mahon Avenue and 16th street. If he was able to assure the militia Department that the City would give a suitable site the work of organization would go ahead without further delay. Referred to Parks Committee.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Block 9 "A", D.L. 550 previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith, passed by the Council.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Blocks 209A, and 218, D.L. 546 previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Henderson and Alderman Smith, passed by the Council.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Health, Police, Schools, 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:

Finance	\$615.00
Health	195.00
Police	660.00
Schools	1,435.00
Board of Works	495.00
Local Improvement	14,211.84
Waterworks	325.00
Fire and Light	710.00
Parks	47.25

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 23rd instant was read and on motion adopted.

The report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 23rd instant was read and laid over until estimates for coming year are considered.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 21st instant was read and on motion of Alderman Kittson and Alderman Biss adopted.

The report of the Water Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 16th instant was read and on motion adopted with the exception of that part dealing with Bylaws to be submitted at forth coming election which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 23rd instant was read and on motion adopted.

A recommendation by the Board of Works that 1st Street West be planked with 16' plank on hand was on motion accepted.

Alderman McRae moved that the Treasurer be instructed to credit the Water Works Committee with \$1,100 being portion of Engineer's salary and other help paid by the Water works Department which is now to be charged to various works of local improvement in accordance with schedule submitted by the City Engineer, and that the accounts be adjusted accordingly. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to.

Alderman Dick moved that the City Engineer be instructed to prepare the plans and estimates for the grading of Fell and Hamilton avenues from Keith Road to 20th Street. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

Alderman Dick moved that the City Engineer be instructed to call Tenders for moving back the Stevenson Block with authority to engage an Architect if found necessary. The motion was seconded by Alderman Biss and carried.

Councilor T.A. Allen appeared and on behalf of residents in Lynn Valley asked that the City provide a proper means of access to the Lynn Valley Road from 20th Street.

Alderman Henderson moved that the City Engineer be requested to bring in an estimate of the cost of putting crushed rock on the street. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith and agreed to.

A letter was read from the Deputy Minister of Lands, Victoria informing Council that the issuance of a Crown grant for Lots 1363 and 1413 to the District Council of North Vancouver would be with-held until the City Council and the District

Council settled the matter amicably and decided to whom the Crown should issue. Filed.

A Committee consisting of representatives from the Board of Trade, District Council and Ratepayers Association waited upon the Council and presented a petition to be forwarded to the Minister at Ottawa protesting against the incorporation of the North Arm Bridge and Railway Company. On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Smith the petition was approved and Mayor and Clerk authorized to sign and seal the same on behalf of the City.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor