

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 1912 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor McNeish, Chairman, presiding  
Alderman Foreman  
Alderman Irwin  
Alderman Dick  
Alderman McRae  
Alderman Biss  
Alderman Fraser

Correspondence was received, read and disposed of as follows:

From Solicitor Reid informing Council that he had applied to the Provincial Secretary in order to obtain the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council to Bylaw No. 197 the Drill Hall Site Disposal Bylaw.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. acknowledging receipt of copy telegram received by Mayor McNeish from H.H. Stevens, M.P. with reference to the application made by the C.P.R. for the approval of route map along the north shore of Burrard Inlet. Filed.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. informing Council that their communication with reference to proposed Committee on B.C. Electric Railway Co. matters had been referred to the District Councils Committee. The Transportation Committee was appointed to act on behalf of the City in regard to these matters.

From H.E. Kemp, Secretary-Treasurer North Vancouver City Ferries Limited, acknowledging receipt of Proxy appointing His Worship Mayor McNeish to vote and act for the Corporation at meetings of Shareholders of the Company.

From John R. Greenfield, P.O. Inspector acknowledging receipt of maps and information to enable him to make report in connection with the proposal to establish a letter carrier delivery in the City of North Vancouver. Filed.

From Wm. McQueen, City Clerk, Vancouver, advising that Councils communication re construction of foot subway under CPR tracks connecting Columbia Avenue with North Vancouver Ferry wharf was read in Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> instant and referred to the Board of Works, the next meeting of which would be held tomorrow, Tuesday at 2 p.m.

His Worship Mayor McNeish and Alderman Biss, Chairman of the Board of Works were appointed to attend the meeting of the Vancouver Board of Works.

From Alex Grant, J. Rowe, Assistant City Clerk. requesting sidewalk on 7<sup>th</sup> Street to be extended as far as Lot 20, Block 2, D.L. 273, on which he is building a residence. Referred to Board of Works.

From Richard Hoy requesting Council to consider the advisability of placing a street light at the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and Chesterfield Avenue. Referred to Fire & Light Committee.

From G. Sutherland requesting that a road be constructed to Lot 50, Block 237, D.L. 545/6 to enable him to get in building material. Referred to Board of Works.

From Edgar Hill calling attention to damage done to his property, Lot 16, block 215A, D.L. 545 Western Avenue by flood water of Lonsdale Avenue in November last and requesting that same be remedied. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mrs. M. H.M. Ogilvie requesting that street be opened and sidewalk laid to Lot 24, Block 16, D.L. 550 on which she had cottage under construction. Referred to Board of Works.

From Messrs. E.O. Grant and A.J. Cook requesting that large trees and stumps on road and lane adjoining Lots 14, 15 and 16, Block 236, D.L. 546 be fallen and blasted before building operations are commenced. Referred to Board of Works.

From F.C. Myers again making application for sidewalk on north side of 13<sup>th</sup> Street between St. Andrew's Avenue and Ridgeway Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From P.A. Askew calling attention to the deplorable condition of 1<sup>st</sup> Street East on South side in front of Block 167, D.L. 274, and requesting that sidewalk be laid. Referred to Board of Works.

From Messrs. Palmer, Burmister & Von Graevenitz making offer without prejudice to forego claim to sum promised for clearing streets through Block 235, D.L. 546 if City would put the roads traversing the property into passable condition and also put down sidewalks. Referred to Board of Works.

From Messrs. Palmer, Burmister & Von Graevenitz making offer to forego their claim for the clearing of lanes in Block 231A and Block 230A and road from 25<sup>th</sup> Street to 26<sup>th</sup> Street along St. Andrew's Avenue if City would immediately undertake the clearing of 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Streets, along the north and south sides of Blocks 230A and 231A and put down sidewalks for settlers. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.E. Walkden calling attention to drainage water flowing over sidewalk on 5<sup>th</sup> Street near Lot 21, Block 117, D.L. 274. Referred to Board of Works.

From Messrs. A.J. Cook and E.O. Grant requesting Council to have 27<sup>th</sup> Street opened up to Lots 12, 13, 14, 16, Block 236, D.L. 546 on which they had commenced building four bungalows. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Alexander requesting that portion of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street recently opened for traffic through the Indian reserve be put in a passable condition. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.T. Grahame, Janitor, requesting to be supplied with water and sink accommodation, also subboard in basement of City Hall. Referred to Finance Committee.

From H.E. Young, Provincial Secretary stating for the information of the Mayor and Council that Messrs. Richmond Charles Biss and Robert McKenzie had been appointed members of the Board of Licensing Commissioners and that Messrs. Christopher F. Foreman and John B. Paine had been appointed members of the Board of Commissioners of Police for the City. Filed.

Petition H.C.V. Hall and seven other property owners requesting that sidewalk be constructed on the south side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street west between Lonsdale and Forbes Avenues. Referred to Board of Works.

Petition W.C. Green and two other residence owners on 17<sup>th</sup> Street requesting that a sidewalk be constructed on the North side of 17<sup>th</sup> Street between Bewicke and Wolfe Streets and that street light be placed at junction of Bewicke Avenue and 17<sup>th</sup> and Larson Road. Referred to Board of Works and Light Committees.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Block 20, D.L. 548, previously approved of by the City Engineer was passed subject to confirmation by City Engineer of statement that 20' road allowance had already been given by adjoining property owners.

A plan of proposed subdivision of Block 12A, D.L. 550, previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman McRae and Alderman Dick and passed by the Council.

A plan of subdivision of Block 232, D.L. 546, previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Irwin passed by the Council.

A plan of proposed subdivision of blocks 13 and 14, D.L. 616 and portion of 12A in D.L. 550 previously approved of by the City Engineer was on motion of Alderman Irwin and Alderman Fraser passed by the Council.

The report of the Water Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> instant was read to the meeting and on motion adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> instant was also read to the meeting and on motion adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of this date was read to the meeting and on motion adopted.

It was moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick and unanimously resolved as follows:

That the Fire & Light Committee be empowered to carry out under the supervision of the City Engineer small additions to the Fire Halls No. 1 and No. 2 in order to provide adequate dining room accommodations for the fire department employees, the cost of same not to exceed \$400.00.

Alderman Dick moved that as it has been brought to the attention of the Council that in clearing 19<sup>th</sup> Street between Moody and Ridgeway Avenues blasting was being carried on in too close proximity to City water mains, that the Chief of Police be instructed to visit the location and give such warning as may be required. The motion was seconded by Alderman McRae and agreed to.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Biss the City Clerk and City Engineer were instructed to prepare an amendment to the blasting Bylaw to prevent blasting near water mains.

Bylaw No. 199, being Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to borrow the sum of \$100,000 in terms of subsection 169 of section 50 of the Municipal Clauses Act was instructed, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 200, being a Bylaw stipulating the amount of indemnity payable to the Mayor and Aldermen for services rendered and duties discharged during the year 1912 was read a first and second time and referred to the Finance Committee to fix amount of indemnity.

The Council decided to withhold giving approval to the application being made by the North Vancouver Dock & Storage Co> Ltd. for foreshore in front of Lots 1, 2 and 3 and 4, Block 176, D.L. 274 until department of Marine and Fisheries heard from by the Council.

A letter was read from H.H. Stevens, M.P., stating that he had recommended the name of Mr. Edward Mahon to represent the Government in the matter of valuing the City Hall site for a Post Office at North Vancouver. He trusted everything was in proper shape for the closing of the matter as soon as Government heard from.

A letter was read from Jack Loutet again requesting that Council appoint an Arbitrator on question of damage done to Lot 23, Block 137, D.L. 271, through lowering of grade on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Foreman it was resolved that Mr. Loutet be invited to meet the Council on Thursday evening next to discuss the matter.

A letter was read from Solicitor Reid with copies of statement of claim in McDonnel, Gzowski & Co. against the City and City Engineer. On motion of Alderman Dick the Clerk was directed to furnish a copy to each member of the Council. The City Engineer was instructed to take up the statement of claim with the City solicitor and go into it very fully explaining every charge detail and furnish the Solicitor with all paper and documents in connection with the matter. It was resolved that the advice of the City Solicitor be obtained as to the criminal liability of the plaintiffs in making false accusations in their statement of claim. On motion of Alderman Fraser seconded by Alderman Irwin it was resolved that the City Solicitor should not for defended Hanes.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin it was resolved that macadamizing of streets be done under local improvement principle with the exception of such portions where small repair work is done. The Board of Works was requested to draft a local improvement scheme for the entire year.

The City Engineer was requested to bring a in q report on the advisability of putting in the remainder of house services where streets have been put to permanent grade, also statement of quantities an material required for the work.

Alderman Fraser moved that Alderman Foreman be appointed the Council's representative on the local hospital Board. The motion was seconded by Alderman Biss and carried.

Alderman Irwin reported that a wrong call had been sent into the Fire Department on Saturday. It was reported that a fire had taken place on Keith Road near the English Church. That the hose wagon had gone down to the English Church, but in the meantime the proper call had been received and hook and ladder truck went down to the Presbyterian Church on Keith Road. This accounted for delay in getting to the fire and he wished same to be explained in the press in justice to he fire department.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor