

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1912 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

Present: Acting Mayor McRae
Alderman Biss
Alderman Dick
Alderman Irwin
Alderman Foreman
Alderman Fraser

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 5th instant copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion adopted.

Communications were received, read and adopted as follows:

From A.L. Russell, Managing Director Evans, Coleman & Evans Co. notifying the Council that they had 300 tons of 4" cast iron pipe in stock. Referred to the Water Committee.

From City Engineer Hanes notifying the Council that there were 176 houses connected with the water service in Lynn Valley and 40 in D.L. 553. Referred to the Water Committee.

From Edgar Hill making claim of \$25.00 for damages by water coming down Lonsdale Avenue through his property situate on Lot 16, Block 215, D.L. 545. Referred to Board of Works and City Engineer.

From City Engineer recommending that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. be requested to fill in the space between the rails at the intersection of 1st Street and Lonsdale Avenue with crushed rock. Referred to Board of Works with power to act.

From Mussens Limited drawing the attention of the Council to the fact that they are specialists in road making machinery, etc. Referred to the Board of Works.

From City Engineer Hanes with specifications attached for the plumbing and moving of the Stevenson Block on Lonsdale Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From Simpson & Wight asking to have a lane at the back of their property, Block 169, D.L. 549/550 cleared and graded. Referred to Lanes Committee.

From Alice E. Newman asking to have a roadway opened along 28th Street from Mahon Avenue to Lots 5 and 6, Block 240, D.L. 545, about 200' and to have some large stumps on 29th Street blasted. Referred to Board of Works.

From M.B. Jackson J. Rowe, Assistant City Clerk. asking for a road and sidewalk on 16th St. from the corner of 17th and Jones Avenue to Lot 1, Block 41. Referred to Board of Works.

From A.J.C. Gilmour asking for water and a wagon road to Lot 28, Block 203A, D.L. 544. Referred to Board of Works and Water Committee.

From Fred A. Smallwood asking that Chesterfield Avenue be opened up and a sidewalk laid to have access to houses on lots 20 and 21, Block 205A, D.L. 545. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.E. Walkden asking for a road from the street to Lot 21, Block 117, D.L. 274 and also to have water connection to the same property. Referred to Board of Works and Clerk to notify them to apply for water at City Hall.

From Catherine Page and H. Page asking for the opening of Bewicke Avenue in the vicinity of Lot 11, Block D, subdivision D, DELL. 547. Referred to Board of Works. From Thos. Burton asking for water to be laid to Lot 28, Block 211A, D.L. 544 also a rough graded foot path through from Larson Road to View Street. Referred to Board of Works and Water Committee.

From G. W. Vance and two others asking for a sidewalk extending from Bewicke Avenue to Lot 1, Block 43, D.L. 547. Referred to Board of Works.

From B. Burton asking for a sidewalk single plan or any kind on the south side of 25th Street east from St. George's Avenue to the East corner of Lot 2, Block 217A, D.L. 545/6. Referred to Board of Works.

From Frederick Tarn drawing Council's attention to the condition of Lonsdale Avenue between 27th and 28th Streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From the American Surety Co. re Bond for \$3,750 in favor of Thompson & Stuart contractors for grading Queensbury Avenue etc. and asking for return of contract or a letter stating that the contract has been satisfactorily completed. Referred to the City Engineer.

From J. Wylie Donaldson, Secretary North Vancouver Board of Trade notifying Council that a special committee consisting of the president and Mr. L. Watts Doney were appointed as delegates at the Joint Conference to be held to consider the whole question of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. obligations under their franchise. Referred to the Transportation Committee and that the Clerk

write asking the District Council to arrange a night for a meeting of the delegates of the Joint Conference to discuss the B.C. Electric Railway Co. matters other than Monday or Thursday nights and that the Board of Trade and Ratepayers Association be notified of such meeting.

From Frank V. Allee complaining that he had been overcharged for connecting service wire and for supplying power. As this letter contained personalities the Council instructed the Clerk to return same.

From Rod McKenzie, Acting Secretary North Vancouver Ratepayers Ass'n notifying Council that Messrs. H.C. Wright and A. Barclay were appointed to represent the Association in the matter of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. Filed.

From AEmilius Jarvis & Co. acknowledging receipt of lettergram sent by Mr. Shepherd and stating that they would be glad to see Mayor McNeish and Mr. Shepherd while in the East. Filed.

From J.W. Fugler, Building Inspector re a letter addressed to the City Council from the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners regarding the inspection of scaffolding and stating Section 7 of Building Bylaw 138 gave the Building Inspector authority to inspect all scaffolding. City Clerk instructed to reply to the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners to this effect.

From City Engineer re damages in the Balfour Ker Building on the Esplanade owing to sewer connecting being blocked and stating that the City foreman found that the stoppage occurred at a point where the plumbers working for the owner had made their connection to the branch sewer. This connection not being made in accordance with the Bylaw and recommending as the stoppage was caused by defective plumbing on the part of the Owners that the City should not pay any portion of the cost for making repairs and further recommending that the City send a bill to the owners of the Building for the sum of \$123.20 being the cost of repairs made by the City workmen. The City Clerk instructed to notify the owners to this effect.

From A.G. Perry Local Manager B.C. Electric Railway Co. acknowledging receipt of letter from the Clerk of the 5th instant and stating that he had now issued instructions to have the poles on Lonsdale Avenue moved as requested. Filed.

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co. acknowledging receipt of letter of 9th inst. re installation of street lights at points specified and stating that orders had been issued to proceed with the work forthwith, also calling attention of Council to the fact that their pole lines run on the north and west sides of all streets. Filed.

From W.R. Bohaker, secretary, North Vancouver City Bank asking the Council to appoint a date when their Committee could wait upon them.

City Clerk instructed to write asking them to meet the City Council next Thursday evening.

From Elder Murray Co. referring to inquiry for a site for a proposed City Jail and Police barracks and recommending Lots 1 and 2, Block 131, D.L. 274 corner of 4th and St. George's Avenue adjoining Fire Hall at a price of \$10,000. Filed.

From Jas. P. Fell acknowledging receipt of draft agreement with reference to the filling in of the foreshore in front of Bewicke and Fell Avenues and stating that he expecting a call from the members of the Board of Works to see plans and particulars of the work and further stating that he would bring the matter up before the Council at 8:45 Thursday evening; also the matter of the proposed Drill Hall. The Clerk was instructed to reply to this.

From Frank V. Allee re sale of red caravan to City. Clerk instructed to reply stating that the red caravan would be useless to us.

From AEmilius Jarvis & Co. with reference to our telegram of Jan. 24th and letter of 28th stating that they have concluded that they might be able to make satisfactory sale of our securities, \$500,00 general debentures and \$250,000 local improvement debentures in the new York market and stating that they believe that our interests would be better served by seeing what could be done in the New York money market rather than in the London market at the present time. Filed.

From R.L. Reid with draft agreement between Fell and City of North Vancouver re filling in of foreshore in front of Fell and Bewicke Avenues. Filed. The enclosed agreement was referred to the Board of Works.

From L.W.S. Goodbody re construction of new City Hall and asking to have the opportunity of submitting plans for same when time comes. Filed.

From A.B. Diplock, President, Seymour Lumber Co. enclosing a poster and suggesting the starting of North Vancouver Trade at Home Association. Referred to the Joint Civic Advertising Committee.

From Taylor, Harvey, Baird & Grant re Romano Pinto & Co's. contract respecting 3rd Street sewer extension from St. Andrew's Ave. to St. David's Ave. and storm sewer on St. Patrick's Ave. sewer in lane east of Lonsdale and enclosing copy of letter of same sent to City Engineer making demand upon the City of North Vancouver for the respective amounts herein set out and stating that unless their demands are complied with they are instructed to enter action at once against George S. Hanes and the City of North Vancouver, and asking reply, also enclosing copy of statement respecting these three contracts of \$6,881.30 for 3rd Street sewer extension; \$1,603.90 for St. Patrick's Avenue; \$8,196.40 for the sewer in the lane east of Lonsdale Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Fraser resolved that the Clerk write the City Solicitor to attend to the Romano Pinto & Co.'s case for the City and the Engineer, and to get information from the Engineer, and that the Clerk write Taylor, Harvey, Baird & Grant informing them that Mr. R.L. Reid is acting for the City in the matter and to address communications to them.

Petition from A.L. Clemens and twelve others calling attention of the Council to the deplorable and impassable condition of Ridgeway Avenue between 9th and 11th Streets, and requesting that this street be opened and graded. Clerk to write to A.L. Clemens that this work has already been authorized.

The following telegram was received by the Acting Clerk from Mayor McNeish:

“Hearing of CPR application took place before Minister of Railways this morning. After hearing all parties interested minister said, “I will issue order granting approval of route map and will see that City’s interests are protect”. CPR Solicitor said that he had instructions to say that construction will commence at once.”

From City Engineer Hanes submitting reports on the following works of Local Improvement:

Street	Work	Estimated Cost	Cost to Property	City's Share
Keith Road from Lonsdale to Queensbury Ave	grading to permanent grade	\$24,000	\$21,500	\$2,500
Forbes from 3 rd to 15 th	“	4,800	2,800	2,000
St. Georges from 8 th to 19 th Street	“	14,400	12,000	2,400
15 th from Chesterfield Ave. to Queensbury Ave.	“	18,000	16,000	2,000
13 th St. from Keith Rd. to St. Andrew's Ave.	“	15,200	14,000	1,200
4 th St. from Mahon to St. Andrew's Ave.	“	17,500	16,000	1,500
St. David's from Crescent to 3 rd St.	Macadamizing	1,800	1,600	200
St. Patrick's from waterfront to 3 rd Street	“	1,800	1,600	200
St. Andrew's from waterfront to 3 rd Street	“	1,800	1,600	200
St. George's from waterfront to 3 rd Street	“	1,800	1,600	200
Rogers from Esplanade to 1 st Street`	“	300	280	20

Chesterfield from waterfront to 3 rd Street	“	1,500	1,200	300
Mahon from Esplanade to 3 rd	“	1,500	1,200	300
Forbes from Esplanade to 15 th Street	“	5,400	3,000	2,400
4 th from Mahon to St. Andrews	“	5,400	4,850	550
St. Georges from 8 th to 19 th	“	5,400	4,300	1,100
Esplanade & Crescent from St. Georges to St. David's	“	4,500	4,260	240
Esplanade from Forbes to Lonsdale Avenue	“	2,700	2,450	250
1 st St. from Forbes to St. David's Avenue	“	16,800	15,120	1,680
2 nd from Forbes to St. David's	“	8,400	7,560	840
3 rd from Queensbury to Bewicke Avenue	“	14,400	9,400	5,000
Keith Rd. from Lonsdale to Queensbury Ave.	“	7,200	6,350	850
13 th St. from Keith Rd. to St. Andrews Ave.	“	5,700	5,200	500
15 th St. from Chesterfield to Queensbury Avenue	“	6,750	6,000	750
Lonsdale from 19 th to City Limits	“	5,100	4,420	680
Lonsdale from Waterfront to 19 th Street	“	25,500	19,100	6,400
Lynn Valley Rd. and Queensbury from 3 rd to City Limits	“	13,500	8,300	5,200

The above recommendations were referred to the Board of Works and the Clerk was authorized to mail a copy to each of the Aldermen and call a Special Meeting to discuss the matter.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Police, bw2, Fire and Light, Waterworks and Parks Committees on due accounts were submitted by the respective chairmen and read to the meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the accounts to the amounts following:

Finance	\$3,058.72
Finance Police	838.70
Board of Works	668.19
Fire and Light	1,650.20

Waterworks	1,256.47
Parks	85.00

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committees minutes of the 11th instant were read and on motion adopted.

The report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 8th instant was read to the meeting and on motion adopted.

The report of the Lanes Committee as contained in the Committees minutes of the 8th instant was read to the meeting and on motion adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committees Minutes of the 8th instant was read to the meeting and on motion adopted. The Clerk to make a note on the minutes of Board of Works of the other two Tenders received for sidewalk material.

The report of the Water Committee as contained in the Committees minutes of the 8th instant was read to the meeting and on motion adopted.

The Acting Mayor appointed Alderman Foreman, Alderman Irwin and Alderman Dick a Committee to go into the matter of securing the Indian Mission foreshore.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Foreman resolved that Alderman Biss with the Mayor and engineer be a Committee to confer with the Vancouver Council in connection with the matter of the subway.

Moved and seconded that the report of the Fire Chief re motor asked for be referred to the Fire & Light Committee.

Resolved that the Board of Works be a Committee to look into the sanitary conditions of the tent houses along the waterfront.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Foreman, H.B. Watson addressed the meeting on the subject of blasting as conducted north of the Horticultural Hall and stating that rocks had struck his place 300' away, also that he had seen stumps blown over the Horticultural Hall etc. On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick, Alderman Foreman was appointed a Committee to look into this matter.

Acting Mayor McRae gave a short and lucid report of his work as a delegate at a meeting of the UBCM at Victoria and of his work in connection with Alderman Foreman re changes to the Municipal Clauses Act. Alderman Foreman also gave report of the work he had done in Victoria in the matter of changes to the Municipal Clauses Act.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fraser resolved that a vote of thanks be extended to Acting Mayor McRae and Alderman Foreman for the able way they had represented this Council in Victoria.

The Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed; G.W. McRae, Acting Mayor