

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON THURSDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 29TH, 1912 AT
8 P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor McNeish
Alderman Biss
Alderman Dick
Alderman Irwin
Alderman Foreman
Alderman Fraser

The report of the Mayor and City Clerk, Delegates in reapplication made by CPR for approval of route map and in re financial and other matters was taken up and discussed each item separately.

RE SANITARY SEWER OUTLET

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the Engineer be instructed to advertise and file plans according to the provisions of Chapter 115, and that the City Clerk be instructed to advise the Deputy Minister of Public Works at Ottawa that the sections of this act have been complied with.

RE DRILL HALL SITE

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the City Solicitor be instructed to draw up conveyance of this property to the King subject to such reservations as may be proposed this evening.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that the Engineer draw plans showing the position of the road along the east side of the ravine on this property.

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the deed contain reservations stating specifically the purposes of the grant and that the Government has to be in position to take possession inside of twelve months from date providing of course, that the Council has the right to extend the time if necessary, and that the Government undertake to consider a building for Armory purposes to cost not less than \$_____ and that the said building and grounds shall be used for Armory purposes.

RE INDIAN RESERVE

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that this section be adopted as read.

RE CITY HALL SITE

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the Mayor act as a Committee of one to look after this matter.

RE C.P.R. APPLICATION

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that this section be adopted as read.

RE FINANCIAL MATTERS

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that this section be adopted as read.

RE NORTH VANCOUVER CITY FERRY BONDS

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Foreman resolved that this section be adopted as read.

The Mayor brought up the subject of water connections for discussion and Alderman Irwin stated that with the possible exception of six or eight houses in the whole city that each house would have separate connections. The Mayor suggested that where there are houses on any street on which there is a water main that the system of having more than one house on any one water service pipe should be discontinued. Alderman Irwin suggested that where permanent work is being done to the streets that before such work is completed that water connections be arranged to be made every 25 feet. Alderman Dick stated that this idea had been proposed by him and voted on this year by the City Council. Alderman Foreman agreed with the idea of having a connection every 25 feet.

The question of Campers on the Esplanade using water came up for discussion. The Mayor stated that there was a case of a party caught in the act of taking water, tried in the Court here and the case dismissed. The Mayor instructed the Chief to look after the matter of people using water without paying the rates. Alderman Dick stated that not one-half of the Campers are paying water rates, but that it was not a matter for the Water Committee, it should be looked after by the Police.

Alderman Dick moved that the question of water rates be referred to the Water Committee for revision.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fraser resolved that the Water Committee bring in a recommendation dealing with the campers and that the Committee make a recommendation as to whether the owners of the lots on which the campers are or the campers personally pay the rates and state how and in what manner the rate is to be collected.

The Mayor read a telegram dated February 27th, 1912, as follows:

“Mayor McNeish,
North Vancouver, BC

Had interview with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy today. He is asking Mr. Bury, Vancouver, to deal with the matter. He is prepared to protect all points asked by me. You had better see Bury and get understand them wire me. Be sure and

protect street ends and harbour commission and water front. Minister will not approve until I advise.

H.H. Stevens.

Mr. Perry asked to be allowed to address the Council for the Master Plumbers and on motion of Alderman Irwin and Alderman Fraser it was resolved that he be heard.

Mr. Parry asked to have some more protection in the Bylaws and referred to paragraphs 4, 8 and 49. Regarding No. 4 he thought that a plumber should have business premises in North Vancouver before he gets a license. After considerable discussion during which Alderman Fraser stated that there should be at least one certificated plumber on each job and Alderman Dick stated that there was no board with authority to examine and give such certificate.

Alderman Foreman stated there should be a plumbing Inspector appointed with power to give such certificates.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that this matter be referred to the Board of Works, the Engineer and the Building Inspector to look into and report.

Mr. Cummer asked to be allowed to address the Council on the matter of his subdivision of Lot 5/18/548, and wished to be allowed to give a strip 10' wide being the south 10' of the proposed lane, this would leave Mr. Cummer in possession of a 16' strip being the north 10' of what should be included in the lane and 6' north of that. The intention being that later on when the owner of the property lying north of Mr. Cummer's property wished to subdivide he would be compelled to purchase the 16' from Mr. Cummer and give the 10' for lane. The Council considered that Mr. Cummer would have to make these arrangements himself.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss resolved that the plan submitted by Mr. Cummer be accepted, provided he give the 20' for the lane.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor