

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE  
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 25<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH 1912 AT  
8 O'CLOCK P.M.**

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

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> inst. were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Irwin and Alderman Biss adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From T.H. Kingsley making application for a sidewalk to be constructed on the south side of 17<sup>th</sup> Street from Lonsdale Avenue to house being erected by him on Lot 29, Block 30. Referred to Board of Works.

From R.F. Wheadon making application for a culvert to be constructed over ditch in front of his Grocery Store situated on Lot 6, Block 11, D.L. 273. Referred to Board of Works.

From Messrs. Palmer, Burmester & Von Graevenitz making application for water service to be laid to Lots 25, 26/235/546 also sidewalk to be laid to the property and for particulars re permanent grade of the street, also renewing application for water, sidewalks and particulars regarding permanent grade to Lots 39, 92 and 83 in the same block. Referred to Waterworks and Board of Works Committees.

From D.G. MacKenzie, Calgary inquiring if it is City's intention to open up 18<sup>th</sup> Street east of Lonsdale. Referred to City Engineer to prepare plans and bring in report.

From Antonio Gallia making application to have lane on East side of St. Alice Hotel graded from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street north. Referred to Board of Works.

From Robt. Wilson calling attention to the state of 7<sup>th</sup> Street between Moody and Queensbury Avenues and requesting sidewalk. Mr. Wilson to be informed that street is at present being cleared and matter of sidewalk referred to Board of Works.

From E.R. Follick requesting the removal of earth embankment in front of Lot 22/84/549. Mr. Follick to be informed that work already authorized.

From F. Koch and two others requesting the opening up of 21<sup>st</sup> Street from Lonsdale Avenue to their property in Block 209. Referred to Board of Works.

From W. Spence, Sanitary Teamster making application for increase in wages from \$70.00 to \$80.00 per month. Referred to Board of Works and Board of Health Committees.

From North Vancouver Coal & Supply Co. Ltd. advising Council that they are constructing a public dock on their property adjoining the foot of St. George's Avenue and had made a contract with the Tacoma-Vancouver Steamship Co. who were prepared to give an immediate weekly freight service and requesting that Council take into consideration the advisability of constructing a plank roadway to connect with their wharf for the accommodation of freight. Referred to Board of Works to investigate the report.

From W.E. Walkden regarding water flowing over Lot 21/117/274 and wishing to know if storm sewer to be constructed on St. David's Avenue would take the water from the Creek. The Engineer stated that it was his intention to take all the water from the Creek in the storm sewer.

From the City Engineer reporting that he had examined the plan of water lot applied for by Messrs. McCague and Smith in front of Lots 16, 17/176/274. That it did not show the depth of water at low tide commencing at the shore line and out as far as it is proposed to obtain a patent or lease. He recommended that the Department of Marine & Fisheries be requested to have same shown on the plan. On motion of Alderman Dick and Alderman Irwin resolved that Engineer's recommendation be accepted and plan returned to the Department for correction.

From City Engineer recommending that a 6' plank sidewalk be constructed along the north side of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street through the Indian Reserve as agreed upon with the Indians. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Engineer recommending that the wages of Mr. Chivers be increased from \$85.00 to \$95.00 per month.

From City Engineer with outline of dock proposed to be built at Chesterfield Avenue street end costing \$2500 or \$3000. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Engineer recommending that portion of McKay Road be graded. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Engineer reporting that in grading Fell Avenue he had found it necessary to raise the grade of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. tracks about 1 ½' between 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Streets and recommending that the Company be requested to raise their tracks to grade. On motion of Alderman Irwin and Alderman Biss resolved that Company be notified accordingly.

From F.J. McGougan, Commercial Manager, BC Telephone Co. re matter of telephone service between North Vancouver and Vancouver explaining that they did not have submarine cable sufficient to handle the business properly when traffic was above normal. The reason being that a permit to lay a submarine cable across the Inlet had not yet been granted by the Dominion Government and that nothing could be done until they either get the permit or a refusal. The installation of such cable carries with it a reduction of 50% in the toll rate. He trusted that Council would bring pressure to bear upon the Government to issue the permit.

On motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick resolved that the Company be written to and informed that without prejudice to Council's expectation to get free telephone service between North Vancouver and Vancouver Council would do all in their power to forward their request to get cable laid across the Inlet.

From John G. Farmer, CMC, advising that the arrangements made at Joint Meeting of City Council and Committee from the District Council re water services, Lilloet Trail and repair of Lonsdale Avenue had been ratified by the District council subject to the following slight alterations:

1. That the clause providing for payment to the City of 50% of the net rates collected should read:  
  
"That the District Council pay to the City 50% of the actual net rates collected or to be collected by them in that part of the Lynn Valley Water District serviced by the City's mains. Agreed to."
2. That the clause giving City residents first right as users of the water should be limited to 300" being the amount of water for which the City has a prior license to that of the District. This was not agreed to.

On motion of Alderman Dick the Clerk was instructed to prepare an agreement embodying the arrangements between the City and District re water supply.

On motion of Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the City Engineer proceed with the work of repairing Lonsdale Avenue including repairs to private property damaged by flooding and that an account of the costs be kept and charged equally to the City and District.

From E.H. Bridgman with arbitrators awards in the matter of valuing the City Hall site and buildings. The site was valued at \$93,650 and the buildings at \$15,000.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the public works Department be informed that the Council are prepared to place a Bylaw before the Electors to give effect to the findings of the Arbitrators.

From Waterous Engine Works Co. Ltd. referring to their Tender for motor combination chemical engine and hose wagon stating that they would be pleased to have Council's expert witness test of motor engine at City of Aberdeen, Washington on Wednesday at 1 p.m. Filed.

From W.J. Massey reporting that together with the Fire Chief he had gone over carefully the several tenders and specifications for combination chemical and hose auto truck and that he could recommend the proposal of the Webb Motor Fire Apparatus, St. Louis for their six cylinder motor ninety horse power at price of \$7650; f.o.b. cars North Vancouver. The question arose as to whether this Company and the right to do business in the Province and as to Council's rights to enter into a contract with the Company, and it was decided to refer the Tender to the City Solicitor to report as to the Company's right to do business in the Province, and Council's right to enter into a contract with them, and as to the Company's guarantee of the apparatus and equipment.

A sketch of proposed subdivision of Block 10 and 10A/546 was considered and referred to Alderman Irwin and Alderman Dick to report upon.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (Health), Board of Works, (Local Improvement), 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 (Health)	\$610.60
Board of Works	2,847.85
Local Improvement	2,522.45
Waterworks	3,650.75
Parks	225.05

The report of the Lanes & Transportation Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> inst. was read and adopted with the exception of item dealing with appropriation for lanes this year.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of this date was read and adopted with exception of item reducing appropriation for waterworks maintenance to \$12,000.

The report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> inst. was read and adopted.

The report of the Parks Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> instant was read and adopted with exception of item recommending that apparatus of United Wireless Telegraph Co. be moved.

The Caretaker of the Cemetery was appointed to keep an account of amount of cedar removed from Cemetery grounds by Mr. Marriott.

The question of Council's right to remove United Wireless Apparatus from Victoria Park was referred to the City Solicitor for opinion.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> inst. was read and adopted with exception of item referring to request of Mr. Fell to have McKay Road opened up and graded from Keith Road to 20<sup>th</sup> Street which was referred back to the Committee for further investigation and report.

Mr. A.G. Perry appeared before the Council on behalf of the Joint Civic Advertising Committee soliciting a substantial grant for the purposes of the Committee. After considerable discussion Alderman Foreman moved that the City give a grant of \$1000 provided the Committee raise \$4000 more. The motion was seconded by Alderman Biss and carried.

Re 4<sup>th</sup> Street widening petition. The Clerk reported that the assessed value of property affected was \$339,230 and that the petition had been signed by Owners representing property of the assessed value of \$203,940. The petition was referred to the City Engineer and Clerk to report as to the probable cost and procedure to be taken in event of Council deciding to proceed with the improvement.

Bylaw No. 201 being a bylaw to consolidate the \$441,250 debentures authorized to be issued by Bylaws Nos. 180 to 196 excepting No. 183 was introduced, read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Biss resolved that \$25.00 be paid to Ambrose (an Indian) for fruit trees damaged while constructing sewer on Forbes Avenue.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor