MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 8TH DAY OF JULY 1912 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor McNeish presiding

Alderman McRae Alderman Biss Alderman Dick Alderman Irwin Alderman Foreman Alderman Fraser

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 1st instant and of the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the 4th instant, copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion adopted.

From Palmer, Burmester & Von Graveventiz regarding condition of roads in Tempe Heights. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Solicitor intimating that he had paid the United Dairy & produce Co. the sum of \$25.00 and enclosing trades license issued to them.

From Miss A.E. Newman regarding the preservation of existing trees on 28th Street. Referred to Board of Works.

From the American Surety Co. Guarantors for contract for sewer by Robt. E. Lee and inquiring if this contract had been satisfactorily completed. Referred to Clerk and Engineer.

From Mr. Thos. Shepherd suggesting that the Council consider the advisability of making the principal of any future issues of General Debentures repayable in forty years instead of fifty years and giving his reasons for this suggestion. Filed for future references.

From J. Kirkland, Waterworks intake, Lynn Creek applying for leave of absence from 20th July to 3rd August. Referred to Waterworks Committee.

From the City Clerk, Duncan, B.C. inquiring what has been done in this City in regard to storage of explosives in the City limits. Referred to the Clerk to reply to.

From J.L. Gallagher as to watercourse running through his property Lot 16/106/550, and asking for information as to what the City is prepared to do in the matter. Referred to Board of Works.

From the City Solicitor enclosing letter from Deputy Provincial Secretary intimating the approval by the Lieutenant Governor in Council of the City Hall site disposal Bylaw 1911.

From D.W. MacDougal apologizing for threats contained in his letter of 26th ultimo. Resolved that apology be accepted.

Petition from Fred Koch asking for a sidewalk on 21st Street from the Japanese Tea Gardens to Ridgeway Avenue. Refereed to Board of Works with power to act.

On an inquiry by Alderman Foreman the City Engineer was instructed to prepare a statement of the amount of money spent on the tunnel at Rice Lake and report on same to Meeting on Monday next.

A temporary plan of a proposed subdivision of lots 12, 13/90/550 was approved of.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay an account on behalf of the School Committee amounting to \$274.65.

The following progress estimates certified correct by the City Engineer were passed for payment:

Macadamizing on Lonsdale Avenue	Howes Proctor Co.	\$1,927.47
from waterfront to 19 th Street		
Forbes Avenue from 3 rd to 15 th Street	Tolosov & Varr	\$1,264.78
15 th Street grading from Forbes	Thompson & Stuart	\$2,496.54

The reports of the Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light and Parks Committees as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 4th instant were read and severally adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 2nd instant was read and on motion adopted.

The City Engineer produced a report re expenditure on labor for June showing a total expenditure of \$37,825.60 exclusive of material.

Bylaw No. 211, being a "Bylaw for levying the general rates of the City" was introduced, read a first, second and third time.

The Mayor intimated that a draft of proposed agreement between Lonsdale and Fell and the City regarding proposed inclusion of D.L. 272 within the City boundaries had been drawn up by the City Clerk and a copy handed to the City Solicitor for his approval. The Mayor had also examined the same along with Mr.

Fell. As, however, some legal difficulties had been discovered by the City Solicitor. Mr. Fell's Solicitor and the City Solicitor were endeavoring to straighten these out. The Mayor did not, however expect to be able to produce complete documents for next meeting of Council.

The Mayor also stated that he was leaving that night for Victoria to interview the Attorney General regarding this matter.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Dick that it be left in the discretion of the Mayor as to who should accompany him on that visit.

On motion of Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin meeting adjourned till Thursday evening.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor