

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 1912 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

From Sister Mary Amy, Principal Squamish Mission Indian Boarding School claiming exemption from payment of taxes in respect of the Mission School and ground under the Charitable Intentions Act. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Mr. K. Myers asking for statistics of sewer pipe, etc. used by the City. Clerk was instructed to request him to call on the City Engineer.

From Mr. Robt. Wilson drawing attention to a dis-used tent situated on Lot 8/8/273 and asking that Council take steps to have it removed. Referred to Building Inspector to investigate and report the matter at meeting on Thursday evening.

From the City Solicitor enclosing conveyance in duplicate from Arthur J. McCardie to the City of a lane between Lots 9 to 12 inclusive, and Lots 21 to 24 inclusive, Block 127/274. Clerk was instructed to get the documents signed by Mr. McCardie.

From the City Solicitor advising that McDonell, Gzowski & Co. are prepared to accept the amount of money in Court, viz: \$23,686.93 together with the sum of \$3,757.10 and requesting that a cheque be made out in his favor for the latter sum. Resolved that the cheque be made out as requested.

The mayor stated that in his opinion the City had every reason to appreciate the manner which the City Solicitor had conducted this case and settlement had eventually taken place on the terms which the City had offered to settle at the commencement. This appreciation was endorsed by the Aldermen and Alderman Irwin thought that the late City Engineer, Mr. Hanes, had contributed to a great extent to the satisfactory issue by the lucid and careful manner in which he had prepared his statements for the Solicitor.

From J.C. Thorne & Co. Ltd. re subdivision plan of Lot 11/4/616. From Jas. Kerr re subdivision plan of Lot 12/7/616.

From Abbott & Sutherland re subdivision plan of Lots 3 and 15/9 and Lot 5/10/616. In each case the writers gave an undertaking that access would not be demanded by the present or future owners of the respective properties to the

lane shown on the respective plans until the adjoining blocks have been subdivided through to a street or lane. Alderman Dick was of opinion that copies of these undertakings should be filed in the City Clerk's office while the undertakings themselves should be filed in the Land Registry Office. Clerk was instructed to see the Land Registrar and discover any means whereby this might be done.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. submitting copy of a letter received by the District Council in reference to the need of repairs to the sidewalk on Sutherland Avenue north of the Lynn Valley Road. Referred to Board of Works.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C. intimating that Reeve May and Councillor Bridgman have been delegated by the District council to act on the Committee in connection with the reception of T.R.H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. Referred to the Reception Committee.

From Wm. C. Stone complaining of a burst or leaking water main at the southwest corner of 19th Street and Lonsdale Avenue. Referred to Waterworks Committee.

From L.L. Dickenson asking that the lane in Block 131 be opened. Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Dickenson stating that there was no lane in the block referred to.

From Chas. Templer stating that he had cleared the Boulevard on the street in front of Lots A, B & C/271/547 with the exception of one stump and he also cleared and graded the lane in the rear of said lots and asking compensation for same. The Clerk was instructed to write him stating that when the stump above referred to had been removed he would be paid compensation at the usual rate of \$100. per acre.

From Thomas Piper requesting a roadway on 2nd Street from Ridgeway to Lot 21 East. Referred to Board of Works.

From the General Accident Assurance Co. regarding the accident insurance for the City Firemen. Referred to Fire & Light Committee.

From Messrs. Calliphronas & Down asking if the existing sidewalk at the corner of 16th and Jones Avenue be connected to the sidewalk on Lot 26/27/547. Referred to Board of Works.

From the Secretary of the Provincial municipal Commission enclosing a copy of the itinerary of the Commission. Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Biss resolved that the Mayor and Alderman Irwin and Alderman McRae be appointed a Committee to represent the Council at the Meeting of the Commission in Vancouver on the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th August without

prejudice to the right of any of the other Aldermen to attend all or any of the meeting.

From Messrs. Geo. A. Stimson & Co. with two letters regarding Local Improvement Bonds. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Farris & Emerson giving notice of injury to a John Lennon at Rice Lake and claiming damages. Referred to Water Committee.

From the Northern Gas & Power Co. Ltd. with two letters as to proposition for the installation of a gas plant by the Municipality. Resolved that this letter be filed in the City Engineer's office.

From Burns & Walken, Solicitors requesting the payment of \$25.00 being one-third of W.A. MacDonald's fees for attendance before the Board of Railway Commissioners. Resolved that this account be paid.

From Beall & Company requesting return of original Bill of Lading for oil sprinkler in order that claim may be made for loss of parts. Referred to Engineer.

From Palmer, Burmester & Von Graevenitz making application for a sidewalk to Lots 18 to 23/44/271-547. Referred to Board of Works.

From the American Surety Co. asking whether the sum of \$6,879 had been filled in Linburg & Lund's bond instead of the correct sum of \$1,719.75. The Clerk intimated that the full amount of the contract price had been inserted in error instead of 25%. The matter was referred to the Engineer for correction.

An application was received from Lim Yung for a permit to erect a laundry on Lots 27, 28 & 29/136/271. Referred to the Building Inspector to investigate and report.

Petition from Matthew Carr and others asking for a sidewalk on 6th Street between Queensbury and Hendry Avenues. Referred to Board of Works.

Petition from J.A. Forbes and others asking for a sidewalk on the north side of Grand Boulevard between Chesterfield and Mahon Avenues. Referred to Board of Works.

The monthly report of the North Vancouver City Ferries was produced showing the total receipts for the month of July to be \$14,484.30. Clerk was instructed to get copies of this made and forwarded to the Mayor and Aldermen.

A summons at the instance of Mrs. Frances I. Fraser was produced against the City and Mr. Thos. B. May for the cancellation of the tax sale deed of Lot 5/128/274 was produced and referred to the Treasurer to take the matter up with the Solicitor.

A report was read from the City Engineer regarding the Rice Lake Tunnel from the period from July 14th to 3 p.m. of this date showing the cost to be \$2,697.59 for 185' of tunnel, cost per running foot of \$14.58. Resolved that the report be accepted and copies sent to members of the Council.

On the Mayor's suggestion on Wednesday the 14th was appointed as a Civic Holiday in honour of the opening of the Vancouver Exhibition.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance (Board of Health, Police, Schools), Board of Works (2), Local Improvement, Waterworks, (2), Fire and Light, Parks and Lanes 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	\$634.84
Finance, board of Health	193.60
Finance, Police	243.65
Finance, Schools	1,375.00
Board of Works	9,313.01
Board of Works	4,168.63
Local Improvement	15,564.47
Waterworks	15,259.14
Waterworks	22,646.04
Fire and Light	1,202.75
Parks	1,316.74
Lanes	740.90

The reports of the Finance, waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks and Lanes Committees as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 8th instant were read and on motion adopted.

Resolved that the Lanes Committee and the Mayor have power to act on the recommendation as to employment of a qualified person to search the titles as to various lanes in the City.

After some discussion the Board of Works minutes were adopted on the understanding that the item as to storm drains on First Street be amended so as to authorize the Engineer to put down agricultural drains so far as necessary for the purpose of temporarily remedying the condition of the street.

Progress estimates certified correct by the City Engineer were passed for payment as follows:

Keith Road grading from Lonsdale to Queensbury Avenue	Linburg & Lund	\$1,788.75
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St. David's Storm Sewer from waterfront to Keith Road	Ledingham & Cooper	\$1,748.85
Clearing portion of Cemetery	Leonard Pecchia	\$854.70

Re lowering of the block at corner of First and Lonsdale, the Chairman of the Board of Works explained that the City accepted no responsibility whatsoever in connection with this matter except as regards payment of the account. If any damage was done by the Contractors that would be a matter between Mr. McDowell and the Owner.

Resolved that the agent for the Thompson Block at the corner of 2nd and Lonsdale be communicated with, with regard to the raising of that block.

Mr. Penny the indemnitor for Tolosov & Varr's contracts was heard but had not concrete offer to place before the Council. Resolved that the matter be left in the hands of the Chairman of the Board of Works and the Engineer with the advice of the City Solicitor to take the necessary steps for the competition of the two contracts.

Plan of water lot in front of lots 16 & 17/176/274 previously approved of by the City Engineer was passed by Council.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Irwin resolved that the Engineer be instructed to advertise for Tenders for the grading of 4th Street to the width of 64' between the curbs. Such tenders to be before the Council at their next meeting on Monday night and it was resolved that the clearing be done in such a way as to minimize the cost of the widening of the street should that eventually be carried out.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor