

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th, 1912 AT 8:00
O'CLOCK P.M.**

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 23rd instant and of the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the 26th instant were taken as read and on motion adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From Mrs. P.S. Howard, asking for a sidewalk in front of her house on 13th Street between Moody Avenue and the Boulevard. Referred to the Board of Works.

From H.D. Fyfe, asking for a sidewalk on 16th Street between Jones and Mahon Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From G.A. Stimson & Co. asking for an intimation as to the money Bylaw recently submitted to the people. Referred to Finance Committee.

From L. Reda suggesting that a permanent curb and a concrete sidewalk be placed on 2nd Street between Lonsdale and St. George's Avenues, and also that the road be macadamized from gutter to gutter. Referred to the Board of Works.

From Peers & Boulton, on behalf of Mr. Schell, asking for sidewalk on East side of Mahon Avenue from 4th to 5th Streets to Lot 1, Block 124, D.L. 271. Referred to the Board of Works.

From A.M. West, Assistant City Engineer asking for an increase in salary of \$50.00 per month. Referred to the Board of Works and the Waterworks Committee.

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co., acknowledging list of street arc lamps to be installed and stating that orders had been issued to have the work proceeded with. Filed.

From D.C. McGregor & Co. Ltd. re Lennon stating that Lennon's Solicitors had accepted the offer made by them of \$115.00 but that Lennon himself had refused to ratify the acceptance. Filed.

From D.C. McGregor & Co. Ltd. regarding the Waterworks' Compensation Insurance. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From J.C. Bose, Secretary-Treasurer of the Union of B.C. Municipalities, regarding the number of delegates to be sent to the meeting. It was resolved that two delegates be sent in addition to Mayor McNeish who is member of the Executive.

From J.F. Russell, asking permission to publish North Vancouver Bylaw at no cost to the City for the privilege of inserting advertisements in same. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Harron Bros. stating that they had upon certain occasions had difficulty in communicating with the Cemetery Supt. and asking that a telephone be installed in the Superintendent's house. Referred to the Parks and Cemetery Committee.

From Mr. Bentley C. Gilliam asking for a sidewalk on 7th street east to lot 8, Block 10, D.L. 273. Referred to Board of Works.

From T.S. Brown offering Lot 1/93/274 and 549 as a site for the City Hall. Filed for reference.

From the City Treasurer, stating that out of a total of \$274,699 due as taxes and local improvement levies for 1912, he had collected to date \$204,283.46 being 75% on the total collectable. Filed.

From J. Wylie Donaldson, Secretary of the Board of Trade enclosing copy of resolution regarding shortage of coal supply. Moved by Alderman McRae, seconded by Alderman Foreman that the resolution of the Board of Trade be endorsed. A Committee consisting of Alderman McRae, Alderman Foreman and Alderman Fraser was appointed to cooperate with the Board of Trade.

From W.F. Clapham, stating that Mr. Drost, the owner of the lot in which Mr. Clapham's camp is situated paid \$10.00 last year for water rate, and is willing to do so again this year. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Clapham stating that if he is acting as agent for the proprietor he might kindly notify the Council to that effect and they will then be able to discuss his letters.

From John M. Keller, Grand Arctic Recorder of the Grand Camp Arctic Brotherhood, Skagway, Alaska, stating that it is the intention of the Brotherhood to accept the invitation to the City of North Vancouver on November 12th, 13th and 14th. The Mayor explained that a resolution was passed last year by the City Council inviting the Arctic Brotherhood to hold their meetings here in North Vancouver in 1912. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Keller stating that the Council are exceedingly pleased that the invitation had been accepted and will do their best to make the session an enjoyable one. Alderman Irwin and Alderman Fraser were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for the reception of the Brotherhood.

From Gould Bros. The Lynn Valley Decoration Committee, asking for payment of \$15.00 being one-half of cost of decorating Lonsdale Avenue on Lynn Valley Day. Alderman Foreman explained that the Committee appointed power to act to attend to the decorations of Lonsdale Avenue on Lynn Valley Day had arranged with the Lynn Valley Committee to pay one-half of the cost for the decoration of Lonsdale Avenue estimated to be \$30.00 in all, and he moved that the account be paid. Seconded by Alderman McRae and carried.

From Percy King, Secretary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, asking for the grading of their lot in the Cemetery. Referred to the Parks and Cemetery Committee.

From D.C. McGregor & Co. Ltd. re accident to Bert Melville, returning medical accounts for \$170.00 and stating that they are prepared to allow Melville \$75.00 being the amount he is entitled to under the Workman's Compensation Act. The Clerk was directed to instruct Melville to claim accordingly.

From John G. Farmer, CMC, regarding question of coal shortage of the North Shore, and giving the names of the Committee appointed by the Municipality to cooperate with the Board of Trade. Filed.

From the Wardens of the Parish of North Vancouver, asking for a refund on the taxes on St. Agnes's Church for the years 1910, 1911 and 1912. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Petitions were presented from R. Young and others for a wagon road on 29th Street between St. George's and St. Andrew's Avenues. Referred to Board of Works.

From Boulton Bros. and others asking that arc light be placed on the northwest corner of 23rd Street and Boulevard. The Clerk was instructed to reply that the Council had already decided to put an arc light at the corner mentioned and that the light would be turned on on the 2nd November.

From A.E. Newman and others asking for an arc light at the corner of 28th Street and Mahon Avenue. The Clerk was instructed to write a similar letter to that of Boulton Bros.

The City Engineer produced a communication to the effect that he had obtained prices for the installation of lighting conduit in the new concrete sidewalk on Lonsdale Avenue from 14th Street to 16th Street as follows:

Electrical construction Co.	\$370.00
Hinton Electric Co.	439.00
Mathers, Yuille & Co.	443.43
Cope & Son	481.75

Waugh, Misner & Bailey	617.50
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It was resolved that the Tender of the Electrical Construction Co. for \$370.00 be accepted and the Clerk was instructed to intimate accordingly.

Reports and recommendations of the Finance, School, Police, Fire and Light, Board of Works, Local Improvement, Waterworks 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 as follows:

Finance	\$1,275.00
School	2,230.00
Police	883.50
Fire and Light	899.00
Board of Works	831.00
Local Improvement	8,794.36
Waterworks	580.67
Parks	92.20
Lanes	4.00

Progress estimate certified correct by the City Engineer was passed for payment as follows:

W.T. Boulton --- \$844.50

Reports of the Finance, Board of Works, Parks, Fire and Light and Lanes Committees as contained in the Committees' Minutes of the 26th instant were read and on motion adopted.

The report of the Special Committee on the division of the city into wards was read and adopted, dividing the City into six wards with the following boundaries:

Ward 1	On the east, Jones Avenue and Mahon Avenue, on the south and west, city boundaries
Ward 2	On the north, Keith Road, on the west, Mahon Avenue, on the east, Lonsdale Avenue, on the south the southern boundary of the City
Ward 3	On the north, Keith Road, on the east St. Andrew's Avenue, on the south the southern boundary of the city, on the west Lonsdale Avenue
Ward 4	On the north Keith Road, on the south the southern boundary of the city, on the west St. Andrew's Avenue, on the east City boundary
Ward 5	On the south Keith Road, on the west St. George's Avenue, on the north and on the east city boundaries
Ward 6	On the north, city boundary, on the south Keith Road, on the east St. George's Avenue, on the west Jones Avenue

Alderman Foreman gave report of the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the position of the Telephone Company, Alderman Foreman stated that he

and Alderman Fraser, had called upon the Manager of the Telephone Company, and had been informed that the new cable to unit Vancouver with North Vancouver had been shipped from England on the 26th September. It would take about six weeks to arrive in Vancouver. The cable would be laid in one hour and in two weeks all the connections would be made. In regard to the cable previously referred to in communications from the Company, this was a similar cable to the one now about to arrive. It was retained in Vancouver for a considerable period owing to the difficulty of obtaining a permit for laying it in the Inlet, and was then used for other purposes. With regard to the Tolls to be charged, the Manager had stated that as soon as the new cable was laid the Telephone toll from North Vancouver to Vancouver would be 5¢ per call, but as they had no intention of reducing the toll until the new cable was laid.

Bylaw No. 212, being the "City Pound Bylaw 1907, amendment Bylaw 1912", was reconsidered and laid over for a week for certain alterations.

Bylaw No. 216, being the "Ferry Improvement Aids Bylaw, 1912, No. 1", was read the first time.

Bylaw No. 217, being the "Ferry Improvement Aids Bylaw, No. 2", was read the first time.

Alderman Dick moved the following resolution which was seconded by Alderman Biss and carried unanimously:

"WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver are the owners of a majority of the shares in the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited;

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of the Council of the said City the qualification for a director of the Ferry Company is insufficient being only one share in the said Company;

RESOLVED that it be suggested to the Board of Directors of North Vancouver City Ferris Limited that they call a meeting of the Shareholders of the said Company with the object of passing a special resolution putting the qualification of a director of the said Company in addition to the one share on the same footing as the qualifications of an Alderman of the City, viz:

"That he shall be a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, not disqualified under any law, and that he shall have for the six months next preceding the day of his election been the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of North Vancouver of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars or more, over and above any registered judgment or charge."

Moved by Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Fraser that in the Agenda of the Council the item and consideration of reports of special committees be inserted after the presentation and consideration of the reports of the standing committees.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fraser that the City Engineer be requested to report as to the feasibility of issuing standard street trolley wire pole which could also be used for ornamental lighting in addition to carrying trolley wire. Alderman Dick brought up the question of guy lines which had been put by the Telephone Company at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue. The Chairman of the Board of Works explained that this work had not been authorized by the City, that the City did not intend to authorize the placing of any such guy wires and that the Company would be compelled to put the sidewalk broken by them into its original condition.

Following this the Chairman moved, seconded by Alderman Foreman that it be an instruction to the City Engineer not to permit such guy wires to be placed and that he be given power to consult the City Solicitor on the matter, if necessary.

The City Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Pounkeeper regarding the posting of notices at the Ferry Wharf, as laid down in the Pound Bylaw and also request him to exhibit such notices on the notice board of the City Hall.

The Council then adjourned till Thursday next.

The Council thereafter made as a Committee of the Whole.

Messrs. Thompson & Stewart were present, accompanied by their Solicitor. Alderman Irwin moved, seconded by Alderman Foreman that Mr. Arnold be heard with reference to the question between Thompson & Stuart of the City. Mr. Arnold thereupon made a statement maintaining that the price contained in the tender had been nullified owing to the grade of 13th Street by the City Engineer and that the City was therefore according to the conditions of the contract liable to pay Messrs. Thompson & Stuart the sum for extras to be fixed by the City Engineer. Mr. Arnold was requisite to place his argument sin writing, in order that they might be submitted to the City Solicitor. This he agreed to do suggesting at the same time that a meeting might be arranged between him and the City Solicitor to discuss the matter.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor