

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY THE 2nd OF DECEMBER 1912 AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 24th ultimo copies of which had been previously furnished to each member of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

Communications were received, read and dealt with as follows:

From Burns & Walken, Solicitors for B.I.T. & B.C.O. giving notice that they intend to apply at the next sitting of the Railway Commission to be held in Vancouver for approval for the location of the company's railway from Station 000 to Station 130 33.6 on the south side of Burrard Inlet and from Station 148 26 to Station 174 88.7 on the north side of the Inlet. Filed.

From the Chief of the Fire Department reporting the increase in the Fire fighting efficiency of the Department during the year 1912 to be 102 hydrants making a total of 222; 1500' of extra hose had been purchased making a total of 4700' 4 extra men had been engaged; and a motor combination chemical hose wagon had been purchased. Referred to Fire & Light Committee.

From E. Parnell asking for the opening of 24th Street, from Larson Road to View St. and for a sidewalk on Larson Road from 23rd to 24th Street and on 24th Street from Larson to View St. also for arc lamps at the corner of 23rd and Larson and 24th and Larson. Referred to Board of Works and Fire & Light Committees.

From the City Engineer giving a report as to the cost of Rice Lake Tunnel. The report was ordered to be received and filed.

From G.S. Wilson, Assistant Secretary of the Union of Canadian Municipalities stating that membership of the Union is voluntary. Referred to Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin that a letter be written to the Secretary asking why as the City had paid last years' subscription it was not notified of the application by the CPR to the Board of Railway Commissioners for approval of location plans in North Vancouver.

From the City Assessor with regard to rsubdivision plan of Lot 2/3/547, which plan has never been registered in the Land Registry Office. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the City Assessor stating that the City is the owner of the lane in Block 106, part of which is claimed by Mr. Jas. Sharp. Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Irwin that Mr. Sharp be notified accordingly.

From W.A. Tolmie regarding the condition of 14th St. E. between Lonsdale and St. George's Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.A. Tolmie asking for the placing of an arc light on 14th St. E. between Lonsdale and St. George's Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Light Committee.

From Fire Chief Findlay reporting that a child was knocked down on Lonsdale Avenue while Mr. Foster the Webb Company's expert was exercising the new Motor Chemical Wagon. Referred to Fire & Light Committee.

From Wm. Henderson, Resident Architect, Victoria asking for the cost of the proposed cement sidewalk around the City Hall. Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Biss that the Engineer be instructed to prepare and forward to Mr. Henderson separate estimates for the First Street and Lonsdale frontage.

From the Fire Chief reporting that he Motor Chemical and hose wagon had been delivered at Fire Hall No. 2 and that same be ready for demonstration in a few days. Filed.

From Fred H. Legh and others asking for an electric light at the corner of Williams and 15th streets. Clerk was instructed to reply that a light has already been ordered for that position but the delay is owing to the non-arrival of certain necessary parts.

From Miss C. Homewood referring to previous letter re rocks alleged to have been place don her property in Lot 113-120 by City workmen. Referred to Board of Works.

From Frank V. Allee suggesting various names in the event of the name of the City being changed. Filed.

From Fred E. Smallwood asking for a sidewalk on Chesterfield Avenue to Lot 21/205/545. Referred to Board of Works.

From McGill & Grant, Barristers on behalf of Carl Ehlers applying for compensation for injuries received by him in the City rock quarry on October 26th,

1912. Clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt and to send the letter to the Insurance Company.

From J.C. Kellar making application for a sidewalk on 10th street between Moody and Queensbury to Lot 16/81/550. Referred to Board of Works.

From Fire Chief Findlay giving his monthly report which shows the number of alarms 3; damage Nil; Ordered to be received and filed.

From the Deputy Minister of Marine & Fisheries, Ottawa enclosing white print giving particulars of water lot applications received by his Department. Clerk was instructed to send the Map to the City Engineer for filing.

From W.T. Grahame asking permission to split a tree which is lying across a street at Tempe Heights. Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Grahame that any person may cut and remove trees standing or lying on a street allowance.

From the Lonsdale Estate asking for settlement of the account of filling in the street ends on Fell and Bewicke avenues at as early a date as possible. Referred to Engineer.

From Thos. Burton regarding the obstruction of creek passing over 24th Street near View Road. Referred to Board of Works.

From J.B. Ker asking for the removal of water from his lot being Lot 13/3/273. Referred to Board of Works.

From J.L. Dickinson regarding the amount of blasting carried on in proximity to Block 220 and suggesting the purchase of this block by the City. Referred to Board of Works.

The Engineer produced tracings and blue prints showing the extension of 3rd Street through the Indian Reserve. The matter was left in the hands of the Engineer to investigate as to whether copies of this plan were not already in the hands of the Indian Department at Ottawa.

The City Engineer also produced plan of the grading and plan of the macadamizing of Keith Road from McKay Road to Bewicke Avenue which he recommended should be done. Referred to Board of Works.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, (Board of Health, Police), Board of Works (Local Improvement), waterworks, Fire & Light Committee, Lanes 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	\$1502.40
Finance, Board of Health	334.60
Finance, Police	1040.55
Board of Works	3457.31
Local Improvement	3224.70
Waterworks	2275.60
Fire and Light	897.50
Lanes	88.90
Parks	133.25

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

Howes Proctor Co.	Macadam on 3 rd St. from Keith Road to Queensbury Avenue	\$1775.15
Howes Proctor Co	Macadam on Lonsdale Avenue from Waterfront to 19 th Street	255.17
Howes Proctor Co	Macadam on 15 th Street from Forbes Avenue to Queensbury Avenue	123.35

The reports of the Finance, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light and Parks Committee as contained in the Committee's minutes of the 28th ultimo were read and on motion adopted.

With regard to the recommendation of the Fire & Light Committee that 100 gal. tank should be installed, in case 100 gal. tank is not a stock size the minutes was altered to read "A suitable tank."

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Fraser and resolved:

"That the nominations of candidates for the offices of Mayor, Aldermen, School Trustees shall be received at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, North Vancouver on Monday the 9th of January 1913 between the hours of 12 noon and 2 p.m.

"That W. Austin Brown, City Clerk be hereby appointed Returning Officer."

"That in case a poll shall be required, the same shall take place for all the wards of the City in the City Hall on Thursday, 16th January 1913 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m."

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Irwin that a plebiscite be taken fro the recommendation of Directors for the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited, said plebiscite to be taken on the same day as that fixed for the election of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Alderman Irwin asked if steps were being taken to have the matter of the ownership of Rice Lake lands settled. Moved that a telegram be sent to the Premier asking for an appointment at which the Council could discuss the matter with him. Seconded by Alderman Foreman and carried.

It being resolved to return to the order of Inquiries, Alderman Fraser asked why the recommendation of the Lanes Committee with regard to the rocking of the lane in Block 166 had not been adhered to. The Engineer explained that owing to a mistake on the part of the contractor's rock had been delivered in excess of the amount required.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss that the Court of Revision appointed at the beginning of the year be the Court of Revision for the revisal and correction of the Voters' list.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor