

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 1913 AT 4 O'CLOCK
P.M.**

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

The Mayor explained that the Meeting had been called for the purpose of settling upon a site for the new City Hall.

The following Tenders were produced to the meeting:

From C.E. Lawson & Co. offering Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and A/86/548 for \$28,000;
A.O. Cooper offering Lots 8 & 9/110/548 for \$10,000;
Aileen Marion Allen offering Lots 17 & 18/112A/271-548 for \$10,000;
Arthur W. Sargent offering Lots 20, 21 & 22/133/274 for \$75,000.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin that these four tenders be considered along with the other Tenders which had already been received.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin that one piece of land be settled upon and that alone considered. On the motion being put to the meeting there voted in the affirmative, Alderman Irwin Alderman Foreman and Alderman Biss and in the negative Alderman Dick and Alderman Fraser. The motion was thereupon declared carried.

Moved by Alderman Fraser seconded by Alderman Dick that he Council do not purchase any City Hall site at present. On the motion being put to the Meeting there voted in the affirmative, Alderman Dick and Alderman Fraser, in the negative Alderman Irwin Alderman Foreman and Alderman Biss. The motion was thereupon declared lost.

Moved by Alderman Dick seconded by Alderman Fraser that the Council chose two sites which the school site should be one and that the two sites should be placed before the Electors by way of plebiscite. On the motion being put to the Meeting there voted in favor of the motion Alderman Fraser and Alderman Dick, and against it Alderman Biss Alderman Irwin and Alderman Foreman. The motion was thereupon declared lost.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss that Lots 7, 8 & 9/110/548 be purchased by the City Council on behalf of the City of North Vancouver.

Alderman Fraser moved as an amendment, seconded by Alderman Dick that the matter be deferred until the Meeting this evening at 7:30. On the amendment being put to the meeting there voted in favor of it Alderman Dick and Alderman Fraser and against it Alderman Irwin Alderman Foreman and Alderman Biss. The Mayor thereupon declared the motion carried.

Meeting thereafter adjourned.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 1913 AT 7:30 P.M.

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

The Mayor produced a letter from the City Treasurer in the following terms:

Gentlemen:

Section 123 of the Municipal Act states that no Council has the power to incur any liability beyond the revenue for the current year, save as elsewhere provided for in the Act.

The money derived from the sale of the City Hall Site, not being part of the Revenue of the City for the present year, but a capital asset replacing the site itself, and the disposal of same not being provided for in the Act, it would appear clear that the council have not the power to dispose of any of this money without submitting a Bylaw to the Ratepayers for the purpose for which it is to be used.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) S. Humphreys, City Treasurer"

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Dick that the Mayor and Alderman McRae consult the City Solicitor tomorrow morning to decide the question as to whether the Council are bound to put a Bylaw before the people for the purchase of a City Hall site, to be paid for out of the proceeds of the sale of the present City Hall site to the Dominion Government.

A resolution of Meeting held today at 4 o'clock was then read to the following effect:

“Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss that Lots 7, 8 & 9/110/548 be purchased by the City Council on behalf of the City of North Vancouver.”

Moved by Alderman McRae seconded by Alderman Foreman that the Council decide upon Lots 1 to 6/110/548 and submit a Bylaw to the Electors as to whether or not that site should be purchased for corporate purposes.

Moved by Alderman Dick as an amendment, seconded by Alderman Fraser that instead of a Bylaw it be put in the form of a plebiscite and that the site of the Chesterfield School be also included. On the amendment being put to the meeting there voted in favor of it Alderman Fraser and Alderman Dick and against it Alderman Biss Alderman Irwin and Alderman McRae. The motion was thereupon declared carried.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss that the Clerk be instructed to prepare a Bylaw for the purchase of the site selected, viz: Lots 1 to 6/110/548, and that the same be submitted to a Meeting to be held tomorrow Friday the 3rd instant at 4 o'clock p.m. This motion to be sufficient notice to the Aldermen. Alderman Dick dissenting.

The following Bylaws were introduced:

Bylaw No. 226, being a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of clearing and making roads and streets in the city including the construction of new sidewalks.

Bylaw No. 227, being a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of \$30,000 for waterworks purposes.

Bylaw No. 228, being a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of \$30,000 for the construction of a storage reservoir at Rice Lake.

Bylaw No. 229, being a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of \$5,000 to open and rough grade lanes in the City.

Bylaw No. 230, being a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of purchasing road making machinery.

Bylaw No. 231, being a Bylaw to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of \$28,000 to construct a subway.

Alderman Irwin moved, seconded by Alderman Foreman that the rate of interest to be paid on the Debentures be 4 ½%. The Bylaws were thereupon read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

The date of election was fixed for 16th January, 1913, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. within the City Hall, North Vancouver and W. Austin Brown, City Clerk was appointed Returning Officer.

The Clerk was instructed to publish the said Bylaws in conformity with the Municipal Act.

Moved by Alderman Dick that the City Engineer be authorized to go to White Rock to get Mr. Leeson's signature to the plans of the roadway on both sides of Lynn Creek to the new Intake.

Alderman McRae produced questions on which he thought the opinion of the Electors should be taken with regard to inclusion of D.L. 272 within the City Limits.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Dick that a plebiscite be taken on these questions.

Meeting thereafter adjourned till Friday the 3rd January 1913 at 4 o'clock p.m.

Signed: Wm. McNeish, Mayor