

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD
WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY, MAY 19TH, 1913 AT
8 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor Hanes
Alderman Pilling
Alderman Kennedy
Alderman Wheeler
Alderman Williams
Alderman Vance

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 12th instant were read and on motion adopted after being amended to the effect that the Board of Trade be communicated with suggesting that they appoint the President of the Board of Trade to act along with the Mayor in the matter of the proposed acquisition by the Government of the Capilano and Mission Indian Reserves.

The Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of the 15th instant were read and on motion adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the City Engineer stating that the Contractors grading Lynn Valley Road had damaged the 16" water main on Friday last and recommending that an experienced man be placed on the spot to see that no further injury is done. Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to place a suitable man in charge and that the District Council be communicated with, with a view to their paying wages of such man.

From John G. Farmer, CMC, asking if the Council would be willing to consider a proposal to carry out jointly with the District the improvement by the grading of certain specified streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From Wm. Young, Comptroller of Water rights stating that the license for storage rights on Rice Lake will be issued shortly and suggesting that an application be made for a lease of the land that will be flooded, and for right-of-way over Crown lands. Referred to the Water Committee.

From the Union of Canadian Municipalities inviting representatives of the City to the annual convention to be held in Saskatoon on 15th and 16th July. Referred to Finance Committee.

From W.T. Stein, referring to letter of 5th instant asking for the continuation of the sidewalk to 2836 Lonsdale Avenue. Referred to Board of Works Committee.

From Geo. D. Hoyland regarding the grading of Keith Road opposite his house, on Lot 5/116/274. Referred to Board of Works.

From Wm. C. Shaw, asking to have a roadway cleared to Lot 31/40/545.
Referred to Board of Works.

From Angus J. Cameron asking for the extension of sidewalk on Wolfe Street for 300'. Referred to Board of Works.

From D. Morris suggesting his appointment as Consulting Gas Engineer to the City. Filed for future reference.

From D. & A. Aquino regarding condition of sidewalk on Chesterfield Avenue from 19th to 20th Streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From Robt. T. Thorburn asking the sizes and price of tents to be disposed of by the City. Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Clerk be instructed to intimate that the desired information can be obtained from the Waterworks Superintendent and that the tents can be seen in the No. 1 Fire Hall.

From Wm. Knowles complaining of bad delivery of letters in the City. Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the Clerk be instructed to write the postmaster asking him to have mails delivered to all parts of the City.

From the Deputy Minister of Lands with regard to the purchase by the Government of the Mission and Capilano Indian Reserves stating that the Minister is not in the City at present, but the matter will be placed before him on his return. Filed.

From the N.V. and District Football League asking for a donation of \$100 for the purpose of carrying on the purpose of the League during the coming season. Referred to Finance Committee.

From John McLean, Secretary, N.V. City Band, referring to their previous request for a grant. Referred to Finance Committee.

From the B.C. Mills Timber & Trading Co. asking for a temporary supply of water to Moodyville. Referred to Water Committee.

From the Chairman of the Immigration & Labor Committee of the Progress Club regarding the scheme of employment agency for Vancouver and British Columbia. Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the Clerk be instructed to reply that the City Council is strongly in sympathy with the movement as suggested.

From J. Sutton complaining of overcrowding on No. 1 Ferry while the same is taking the place of No. 2 or 3 is laid up. Referred to the Ferry Board.

From F.S. Lockett referring to previous letter asking for the laying of sidewalk on 18th Street to Lots 19 & 20/15/550. Referred to Board of Works.

Petition was read from W.S. Kearton and four others asking for sidewalk on 22nd Street between St. Andrew's and Ridgeway Avenues, and also for the clearing of the street to full width. Referred to Board of Works.

A telegram was read from S. Humphreys, City Treasurer in the following terms:

"Hitch occurred exchange refuses quotation cable immediately exact amounts five and twenty year bonds".

To this the Mayor replied;

"Have no five and twenty year Bonds, \$164,000 in four year, \$10,000 fourteen year and \$11,000 in eighteen year."

Another telegram was read in reply to the Mayor's telegram:

"Local improvements offered total \$310,000 cable yesterday only accounts for \$185,000 what is term of balance, rush Humphreys."

Alderman Pilling gave the result of visit to Mr. Ritchie of the Mayor and himself. Mr. Ritchie stated that Debentures under the Local Improvement account cannot be sold before the work is completed. It was thereupon moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Wheeler:

THAT WHEREAS it has been brought to the attention of the Council that there is no authority in the new Local Improvement Act to allow a City Municipality to issue debentures and sell the same for meeting the cost of Local Improvements before the works are commenced or completed;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Council forward a communication to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, Victoria, notifying them of this fact and recommending that the Local Improvement Act be amended at the earliest possible date so that City Municipalities may be able to issue Debentures and sell the same before the works are commenced or completed.

Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Mayor and Alderman Pilling proceed to Victoria to interview the Attorney-General to find if it is possible to have the law altered by Order-in-Council to permit of Bonds being sold before completion of the work.

Tenders for premises suitable for use as a City Hall were produced to the Meeting as follows:

From H.J. Duncan offering building at corner of 2nd and Lonsdale for \$200 per month; C. Heaven offering Bank of Hamilton Building consisting of 7 rooms on 1st floor at \$95. per month and 7 rooms on 2nd floor at \$80 per month; C.F. Foreman offering Foreman Building on 1st Street West for \$100 per month; Green & Walsh offering Duncan Building for \$275 per month; J.R. Badger offering K.P. Hall for \$175 per month; P.A. Allan offering building at corner of 1st and St. George's Avenue for \$90 per month. H.H. Millard offering building at S.E. corner of Lonsdale and 8th Street for \$50 per month; Wm. J. Dick offering building presently occupied as Post Office for \$150 per month. Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that these Tenders be referred to Committee of the Whole on Thursday evening.

Reports and recommendations by the Board of Health, School, Board of Works, Local Improvement, Waterworks 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:

Board of Health	\$66.00
School	281.25
Board of Works	1143.50
Local Improvement	2918.79
Waterworks	395.25
Parks	247.35

The reports of the Finance, Board of Works, Fire and Light, Parks and Lanes Committees as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 15th instant were read and on motion adopted.

Alderman Wheeler drew attention to condition of car service to Capilano on Sundays and stating that a least 100 people could not be accommodated each trip. Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. be requested to give a better service on Sunday afternoons.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that an advertisement be inserted for a week requesting applications from Gas Engineers for the position of Consulting Gas Engineer to the City in connection with proposed installation of a gas plant.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that the resolution of Adjourned meeting of Council on 14th instant as to the sale of \$310,000 of local improvement bonds be rescinded. Moved by Alderman Pilling

seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that a cable be sent to Mr. Humpreys explaining that owing to the present state of the law as laid down by the local improvement Act of 1913 the Council cannot sell local improvement Debentures for work which has not been completed, and that the City has only #313,500 general Debentures and \$185,000 local improvement Debentures to sell.

Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that the opinion of the City Solicitor be obtained as to what particular business the person holding the City's proxy may vote upon at the Meeting of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company the 27th current.

Bylaw No. 89 being "The City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Keith Road Macadamizing Bylaw" was read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Bylaw No. 90 being "Bylaw Amending Local Improvement Bylaw No. 75" was read a first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the Mayor be authorized to make the necessary arrangements with regard to autos, etc in view of the proposed visit of the Railway Commissioners to the North Shore on Tuesday the 20th instant.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: George S. Hanes, Mayor