

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 22nd, 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 15th instant were taken as read and on motion adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From A.M. West, City Engineer, recommending that the sum of \$350 be spent in clearing and grading certain lanes in the City.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that:

1. That connection be made from the road to lane between 19th Street and 20th Street west of St. George's Avenue to Mr. Curran's garage at an estimated cost of \$30.00.
2. That the lane in Block 43 be cleared and graded at the estimated cost of \$100.00.
3. The lane east of Jones Avenue between 14th and 15th Streets be cleared and graded at the estimated cost of \$100.00.
4. That the lane between 2nd and 3rd Streets west of Mahon Avenue be cleared and graded at the estimated cost of \$100.00.
5. That the lane west of St. Andrew's Avenue between 10th and 11th Streets be cleared and graded at the estimated cost of \$100.00.

From A.M. West, City Engineer, recommending that a sidewalk be constructed.

Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that a sidewalk be laid on the east side of St. David's avenue from 7th Street to Keith Road.

From A.M. West, City Engineer, re application for a water service. Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that a temporary water service be laid to Lot 24/206 between Lonsdale and Chesterfield Avenues at an estimated cost of which is \$25.

From A.M. West, City Engineer, requesting instructions as to whether two water services should be laid to one lot for the sum of \$1.00 each. Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that the two water services be laid to one lot when the lot has been subdivided in two parts each part representing a lot.

From Arthur L. Bell in respect to installing a water motor. Referred to Waterworks Committee.

From S. Humphreys, City Treasurer, in respect to payment by the Government of \$740.00 on account of cement sidewalks and \$568.30 on account of macadamizing being local improvement work in front of the new Post Office. Mr. Humphreys stated that the Government agreed to pay the cost of the cement sidewalk but no account had been sent them for the macadam and on account of the Government being exempt from local improvement taxation, he wished instructions as to what to do with the \$568.30 tendered the City for macadam. Referred to City Solicitor.

From W.C. Eisenman requesting that a crossing over the street to his residence at 357-14th Street West be constructed, also requesting permission to temporarily fence in part of the boulevard with a view of making it into a lawn. Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that this communication be referred to the Board of Works and City Engineer with power to act.

A communication from Mr. Hope enclosing the following resolution passed by the Ferry Directors at their Meeting held December 19th.

“Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that the City Council be asked to submit a Bylaw to purchase the Ferries for a sufficient sum of money to pay off the Ferry Company’s present liabilities; and that the method of reorganization shall be later submitted to the people to decide”.

His Worship Mayor Hanes presented a Resolution that was adopted at a Public Meeting held on December 20th in the K.P. Hall for the purpose of discussing Ferry matters to the effect following:

“Moved by Mayor Hanes seconded by Director Kennedy that the City Council be requested to submit a Bylaw to the Electors at the Annual Election, for the purchasing the Ferry Assets and Ferry License from the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited at the price of approximately \$25,000 or enough to pay the debts of the Company and thereby allow the City to regain absolute control of the Ferries and License and that if the Ferries are not operated by the City that a special Act be obtained to form a Special Limited Liability Company to answer the requirements of the City or that the Ferries be leased to a Limited liability Company under Section 382 of the Municipal Act”.

This matter was referred to the motion stage of the proceedings of the City Council.

From J.F. Collins reporting that a petition had been signed by the owners of more than 1/10 of the assessed value of real property of the City of North Vancouver petitioning the Council to submit a Bylaw to the Ratepayers to authorize the City to introduce and execute an Agreement to purchase the whole property and assets belonging to and used in connection with the Ferry Service also to submit a Bylaw to the people for the purpose of raising by way of loan the sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of carrying out said Agreement after its execution. Filed.

Messrs. Shoemaker & MacLean and the North Shore Press each submitted a tender for the printing of assessment notices. Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that the tender submitted for the printing of assessment notices be referred to the City Assessor with power to act.

The Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. submitted plans of street approaches and railway crossings for Chesterfield, Bewicke, Fell, Winch and McKay Avenues. Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the plans be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council to consider at the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, (Police, Schools, Board of Health), Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light 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	\$2073.00
Finance, Police	1180.00
Finance, Schools	2340.00
Finance, Board of Health	283.00
Waterworks	305.40
Board of Works	657.67
Fire and Light	1052.50
Parks	603.18

Alderman Kennedy being one of a Committee appointed to go to Victoria and interview the Executive Council in respect to Rice Lake Storage System reported that they had met the Executive on December 18th, and the matter was discussed, but nothing definite had been accomplished, and they were informed that the matter would be laid before the Legislative Assembly at their next Session. He also stated that he had learned through his interview with the Executive at Victoria that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. instead of wanting \$600 per year for seven years as previously stated, they now want the sum of \$50,000

to compensate them for what they claim to be loosing through not being allowed to acquire the land in connection with the Rice Lake storage System.

Alderman Vance being one of the Committee appointed to interview the Executive Council in Victoria in respect to Bridge matters reported that the Bridge question was taken up with the Executive Council on the 18th instant and it was suggested by Premier McBride that a much cheaper bridge than the one proposed by the Bridge Company would in all probability serve the purpose as well. He also stated that the plans of the new bridge were not quite ready and in all probability would not be ready until the sitting of the Legislature at their next Session, when the matter would be thoroughly gone into by the Government.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that the time and place for holding the Nominations of Candidates for Mayor, Aldermen and School Trustees for the City of North Vancouver at the City Hall, on Monday, January 12th, 1914, between the hours of 12 noon and 2 o'clock p.m.

THAT the Returning Officer for the Municipal Elections for the year 1914 shall be J.F. Collins;

THAT the place at which Polls will be opened in the Municipality in case a Poll is required shall be at No. 80 Lonsdale Avenue;

THAT the Deputy Returning Officers who will preside at the respective Polling places shall be A. Sherwood, Harold Smith, C. Talbot Haslam and R.C. Lawrence.

Moved by Alderman Williams seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that Harold Jones be appointed as Motor Mechanic for the City of North Vancouver Fire Department at a salary of \$100.00 per month, he to commence work on December 23rd.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the necessary Bylaws requested in the petition of the Ratepayers presented to the Council in respect to the North Vancouver City Ferries be prepared and submitted to the Council.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the Assessor proceed with the printing of the Assessment Notices and prepare them for mailing.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. be notified according to the Agreement entered into between them and the City on the 16th day of August 1905 that the City intend to terminate the said Agreement at the expiration thereof and to either assume the ownership of the electric lighting system and power franchise or to enter into a new Agreement with the said Company.

Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the matter of offering inducements, with a view to encourage industries to locate in the City of North Vancouver by way of tax exemption, bonus or otherwise be taken up at the next Meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

Moved by Alderman Wheeler seconded by Alderman Williams and resolved that the Provincial Government be requested to enact legislation making a distinction for taxation, between a cleared and improved lot and one not cleared and improved.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that a donation of \$25.00 be made to the Egeria Relief Fund and that the same be taken from the unexpended portion of the City's general revenue.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this Meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver City Ferries Purchase Bylaw" and a Bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver City Purchase Loan Bylaw, 1913" and that the said Bylaws receive their three several readings at this Meeting of the Council and that the occasion for such three readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure Bylaw.

Whereupon the said Bylaws were read the first, second and third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the City Clerk advertise according to law in respect to the Bylaws to be submitted to the Electors and that the Election on said Bylaws be held on the 15th day of January, 1914, at the same time and place where the Election of Mayor, Aldermen and School Trustees will take place and that J.F. Collins, be appointed Returning Officer.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Wheeler and resolved that Bylaw No. 283, being "The Liquor License Bylaw" be now reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

Whereupon the Bylaw was reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

Council thereafter adjourned.

Signed: George S. Hanes, Mayor