

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY, MARCH 23rd, 1914 AT
8 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor Irwin
Alderman Vance
Alderman Biss
Alderman Kennedy
Alderman Philip
Alderman Wright
Alderman Fowler

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 16th instant were taken as read and on motion adopted.

The Minutes of the Committee of the Whole held the 19th instant were read and on motion adopted as amended; said amendment being as follows:

By adding at the end of the paragraph dealing with the calling for Tenders by Messrs. Eves & Stevenson for the construction of a culvert the words "at their own expense"; and by adding at the end of the paragraph in respect to the Assessor obtaining independent evidence as to the value and equity of the Assessment of Lots 1, 2 & 3/72/548 the words "as valuers".

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the North Vancouver Ratepayers Association in respect to the constructing of a road by way of the Capilano divide to Squamish. Moved by Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that this matter be referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

From City Assessor Haslam re widening of Lonsdale Avenue. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Bond & Sweet re amount due the Provisional Directors of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company. Referred to Finance Committee.

From City Treasurer Humpreys reporting that the sum of \$494,126.57 had been placed to the credit of the City being the proceeds of the Debentures recently sold to the British Foreign & Colonial Corporation. Filed.

From City Treasurer Humpreys re Waterworks Bylaw. Referred to Finance Committee.

An Order in Council of the Executive Council of the Provincial Government was received as follows:

“CERTIFIED COPY OF A REPORT of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on the 18th day of March, A.D., 1914.

TO HIS HONOUR
THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL:

The undersigned has the honour to recommend
THAT, pursuant to subsection (23) of Section 54 of the “municipal Act”, approval be given to Bylaws 289 and 290 of the Bylaws of the City of North Vancouver entitled respectively:

“The North Vancouver City Ferries Purchase Bylaw, 1913” and
“The North Vancouver City ferries Purchase Loan Bylaw, 1913”
which received the assent of the Municipal electors on the 15th day of January, 1914, and were finally passed on the 9th day of March 1914.

AND that a certified copy of this Minute, if approved, be transmitted to R.L. Reid, K.C. Vancouver.

DATED this 17th day of March A.D. , 1914

Signed: W.J. Bowser, Attorney-General

APPROVED this 17th day of March, A.D., 1914.

Signed: Richard McBride, Presiding Member of the Executive Council.

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From G.W. Sugden, Secretary, North Vancouver Horticultural Society being a request for a special grant in aid of the prize list for the forthcoming exhibition of this Society. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Wm. Johnston being a request for the grading of Western Avenue from 27th Street North and for a sidewalk to his place of residence, being Lot 8/239/545. Referred to Board of Works.

From N.F. Amskold requesting permission to sink a 500 gallon gasoline tank at the foot of St. Andrew’s Avenue. Referred to Committee of the Whole and the Building Inspector to report in respect to the same.

From City Engineer West requesting instructions to be given him to repair and round up certain roads in the City.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the roads referred to by the Engineer be repaired and rounded up.

From City Engineer West recommending that the Foreman's wages be raised from \$3.50 per day to \$4.00 per day. Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the Engineer make a report as to the names and number of the foremen employed and the wages received by each.

From City Engineer West in respect to making a road on Rufus Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From the Coast Quarries, Ltd. quoting a price on a supply of crushed rock for the City. Filed.

From the Secretary Joint Civic Committee setting forth the amount of the special grant of \$500 to be given the Joint Civic Industrial Committee by each of the different Municipalities, the City of North Vancouver paying \$255. Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the amount of \$255 be paid the Joint Civic Industrial Committee as a special grant.

From City Engineer West recommending that the wages of Mr. Kirkland, Caretaker, at the Waterworks intake be increased. Referred to Waterworks Committee.

From the Government Agent, New Westminster, enclosing an account for \$14.00 for keep of prisoners in the Provincial Jail during the month of February. Referred to Chief of Police with the request that he report in this regard to the Finance Committee.

From the B.C. Telephone Co. recommending that a private exchange telephone system be installed in the City Offices. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Secretary Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company acknowledging receipt of our letter of March 12th. Filed.

From the Secretary Canadian Institute of Sanitary Engineers drawing the attention of the Council to a Convention of the Canadian Institute of Sanitary Engineers to be held in Edmonton on May 4th. Filed.

From the North Vancouver City Hospital being a Notice of the admittance of an indigent patient. Referred to Parks, Boulevard & Health Committee.

From City Engineer West being a report of the cost of the several works done during the months of January and February of the Board of Works Committee, Waterworks Committee and Mahon Park. Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by

Alderman Vance and resolved that the report be received and referred to the several Committees interested.

The City Engineer presented a report and estimates of the proposed following Local Improvements:

1. Grading 23rd Street to a width of 26' with the necessary slopes from the east side of Lonsdale to the west side of Ridgeway Avenue.
 2. Grading 23rd Street to its full width from the west side of Larson Road, and
 3. Grading to the full width Larson Road and Bewicke Avenue from the south side of 23rd Street to the intersection of Bewicke Avenue and Larson Road, thence south on Bewicke Avenue to the north side of Keith Road.
- Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that the report be laid on the table until later in the meeting.

From P. Larson calling the attention of the Council to the condition of Keith Road west between Bewicke Avenue and McKay Road. Referred to Board of Works.

From J. Newton Sykes requesting permission to have the use of Boulevard Park on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings for games and football. Referred to Parks Committee.

Petition from Alfred Hewitt and six others requesting that an arc lamp be installed at the corner of 24th and St. Andrew's Avenue. Referred to Fire, Light and Lanes Committee.

In response to a call for Tenders for insurance of the City's combination hose and chemical fire truck the following were received:

Jas. R. Creelman
Cardinal & McGregor
Stanley Tytler
W.D. McFarland

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Fowler and resolved that the several Tenders be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Reports and recommendations by Board of Health, 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
Board of Works	1981.05
Local Improvement	94.25
Waterworks	158.90
Parks	973.85
Fire and Light	1052.50

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 19th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Philip adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 19th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Kennedy adopted.

The report of the Fire, Light and Lanes Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 19th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Fowler adopted.

The report of the Parks, Boulevards & Health Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 19th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Biss adopted.

The report of the Joint Meeting of the City and District Councils of North Vancouver in Committee of the Whole, held on the 12th instant at 8 P.M. in the District Hall was read.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the report be received and spread on the minutes of the City and that the several recommendations contained therein be adopted;

Present: Mayor Irwin, Alderman Vance, Kennedy, Biss, Wright, Fowler and Philip :
Reeve May, Councillors Bridgman, Kay, Loutet, MacLurg, Ward and Westover

The question of giving Notice to the Vancouver Power Company of intention to purchase the Light and Power Franchises of that Company at the expiration of the present terms, was discussed, and upon motion of Councillor Bridgman, seconded by Councillor Ward it was RESOLVED that the respective Solicitors of the two Councils be instructed to advise as to the proper procedure to be adopted in order to give effective notice of such intention to the Company.

Mayor Irwin raised the question of the City's Intake and Settling tank on the road allowance in DL 1016 and the various plans prepared by the City and District Engineers were gone fulling into.

Upon motion of Councillor Ward, seconded by Councillor MacLurg, it was RESOLVED that Councillors Loutet and Westover be delegated to interview Messrs. Inkster Ward & Co. with representatives of the City Council, and that they have power to act in effecting a settlement.

Upon motion of Alderman Philip seconded by Alderman Vance it was resolved that Mayor Irwin appoint two members of the City Council to accompany

the District delegates in waiting upon Inkster, Ward & Co. Mayor Irwin accordingly nominated Alderman Kennedy and Alderman Biss.

Upon motion of Councilor Bridgman, seconded by Councilor Loutet, it was RESOLVED that upon an arrangement in connection with the City's Waterworks Intake being arrived at, the City be granted permission to use any portion of the road allowance which may be occupied by their Waterworks for an indefinite period.

Upon motion of Councillor Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance it was RESOLVED that the questions of grading McKay Avenue and improving the Keith Road from Queensbury to Hendry Avenues, be referred to the respective Boards of Works and Engineers of the two Councils, for inspection and report.

Upon motion of Councillor Bridgman, seconded by Councillor Westover it was resolved that the City be requested to connect the City's sidewalks with the District's sidewalks in DL 553.

Upon motion of Councillor Bridgman, seconded by Councillor Loutet it was resolved that the City and District Engineers inspect and report with a scheme for the improving of the road to the cemetery.

The question of the extension of the City boundaries was mentioned, and after considerable discussion, upon motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Councillor Kay it was resolved that the Clerk of the City, and Alderman Philip confer with the District Clerk and a District Councilor to be appointed and bring in a report upon the matter one month from date.

The City Council having accorded the District a vote of thanks for arranging this meeting, and the Reeve having expressed the pleasure of himself and the Council at meeting the City Council in this manner.

Meeting adjourned."

Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the City Clerk arrange a Meeting with Inkster Ward & Co. and the Committee appointed from the District Council and the City Council for the purpose of again considering the ground relative to the Lynn Creek Intake.

The report of the delegation to the Premier and Executive Council at Victoria on March 16th re Rice Lake Lands was read. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the report be received and adopted.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that a Minute book be purchased for the purpose of filing miscellaneous reports, and that the report of the delegation to Victoria on March 16th be transcribed therein.

A report of a Joint Meeting of the City and District Councils of North Vancouver in Committee of the Whole held on the 19th March, 1914 at 8 PM in the Municipal Hall was read.

Moved by Alderman Philip seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the report be received and adopted and spread on the Minutes:

“RICE LAKE LANDS CONFERENCE”

The report of the Joint Meeting in Committee of the Whole of the Members of the City and District Councils of North Vancouver at the Municipal Hall, Lynn Valley at 8:15 PM on Thursday the 19th day of March, 1914.

There were present all of the Members of the District Council, viz: Reeve May, Councillors Bridgman, Loutet, Westover, MacLurg, Ward and Kay, also all of the City Council, viz: Mayor W.J. Irwin, Aldermen Vance, Biss, Kennedy, Philip, Wright and Fowler.

On joint resolution Reeve May was elected Chairman.

The report as drafted by Alderman Fowler relative to the conference of representatives of the City and District Councils and the British Columbia Electric Railway Co. with the Honourable the Provincial Premier Sir Richard McBride and Members of His Council at Parliament Building, Victoria on March 16th, 1914 was read and on motion of Councillors Bridgman and Loutet unanimously adopted.

Councillor Bridgman and others complimented Alderman Fowler on the accuracy and fairness of his report.

All of the City and District delegates who attended the conference at Victoria, viz: Councillors Bridgman and Loutet, Mayor Irwin, Aldermen Biss, Kennedy Wright and Fowler recommended the acceptance of the terms of settlement as proposed at Victoria (which were acceptable to the Provincial Government and the B.C. Electric Railway Co. and the submission of the necessary Bylaws or Plebiscites to the Ratepayers of the City and District respectively.

Reeve May, the Councillors and Aldermen present agreed that it would be in the best interests of both the City and District to agree to the settlement as proposed in view of the fact that these were the best terms obtainable, and the acquirement of the Rice Lake Lands (District Lots 856 and 857) by the City was essential to the completion of the Water Storage Reservoir. An adequate supply of water was very necessary to the District as well as the City owing to

continued increase in population and also the probable location of additional manufactory industries and works on the North Shore.

The terms of settlement were as follows:

The District and City of North Vancouver were each to pay the sum of \$9100 to the Provincial Government. The City's share as above to be paid: Cash \$3,200 and ten annual consecutive installments of \$590.00 without interest. The District's share as above to be paid in ten annual consecutive installments of \$910 without interest. The Government to pay over to the B.C. Electric Railway Co. the sums thus received in settlement of all claims in connection with the construction and operation of the Electric Railway line from 19th Street and Queensbury Avenue in the City to the terminus in Lynn Valley.

On acceptance of these terms by the two Councils and the passing of the necessary Bylaws or Plebiscites an Order in Council to be issued at Victoria and submitted for the approval of the Hon. the Lieutenant Governor. As soon as this had been attended to the City of North Vancouver would be given the right of immediate possession of the lands referred to an empowered to carry on the necessary works on the water storage reservoir. On completion of payments as aforesaid a Crown Grant of District Lots 856 and 857 to be issued to the City.

An Act would be passed by the Government at the forthcoming Session of the Provincial Legislature in 1915, validating and confirming the settlement above referred to, and all other necessary proceedings of the City and District councils in connection therewith.

On motion of Councilor Bridgman, seconded by Mayor Irwin the terms of settlement (as aforesaid) were unanimously accepted subject to the approval by the Ratepayers of the City and District, and the necessary Bylaws or Plebiscites were to be submitted forthwith by the respective Councils.

Mayor Irwin thanked the Reeve and Councillors of the District for the many courtesies extended to the City Council in the frequent joint conferences which had taken place relative to Civic business and hoped that this amicable relationship would long continue.

Reeve May assured the City representatives of this continued cooperation in all matters of mutual interest as between the City and District, the settlement of which would promote the general good and material welfare of the North Shore.

The Meeting thereafter adjourned."

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that this Council on behalf of the City of North Vancouver accept the terms of settlement re Rice Lake Lands being DLs 856 and 857 as submitted by the Honourable the

Premier and Executive Council to the delegation from the City of North Vancouver Council, the District of North Vancouver and the B.C. Electric Railway Co. at Victoria on March 16th, 1914, provided the said terms of settlement be submitted to the Ratepayers in proper legal form and passed by them at an election held for that purpose as follows:

The City and District of North Vancouver to pay the Provincial Government the sum of \$18,200 divided as follows:

The City to pay the sum of \$3,200 cash and \$590. per year for ten years without interest; The District to pay \$910 per year for ten years without interest; On approval of the Ratepayers of the term san Order In Council to be issued giving to the City of North Vancouver the right of immediate possession of the said lands and authorization to proceed with all necessary works on the Rice Lake Storage System. An Act to be passed at the forthcoming session of the Provincial Legislature in 1915 validating and confirming the settlement above recited and all necessary proceedings of the City and District Councils in connection therewith, and that on completion of total payment to the Government as aforesaid the said lands be Crown Granted to the City of North Vancouver.

“REPORT of a Meeting of the District Council, the City Council and representatives of the different Ratepayers Associations in the City and District of North Vancouver held on Friday, March 20th, at 8 PM for the purpose of considering and placing before the parties interested the proposal of the Honourable the Premier and Executive Council in respect to settlement re Rice Lake Lands.

Present: Mayor Irwin, Aldermen Vance, Biss, Kennedy, Fowler, Philip, Reeve May, Councillors Bridgman, Loutet, Westover and Kay and representatives from the East Seymour Ratepayers Association, the Lynn Valley Ratepayers Association, the Capilano ratepayers Association and the City of North Vancouver Ratepayers Association.

On motion of Reeve May it was resolved that Mayor Irwin take the Chair. His Worship Mayor Irwin took the Chair and briefly outlined the object of the Meeting.

Councilor Bridgman addressed the Meeting and outlined the basis of settlement as proposed by the Government as follows:

The District and City of North Vancouver each to pay the sum of \$9,100 to the Provincial Government, the City's share as above to be paid by cash \$3200 in ten annual installments of \$590 without interest, the District's share to be paid in ten annual installments of \$910 without interest; the Government to pay over to

the B.C. Electric Railway Co. the sums thus received in settlement of all claims in connection with the construction and operation of the Electric Railway Line from 19th Street to the terminus in Lynn Valley.

Councillor Bridgman stated that the matter would have to be placed before the Ratepayers and that he himself would support it and strongly advise the Ratepayers to do likewise.

Alderman Vance addressed the Meeting and stated that he believed that the proposal as submitted was the best that was possible for the City to get and strongly urged the Ratepayers to support the proposal when submitted.

Councillor Loutet addressed the Meeting and stated that he was in favor of the proposal and would urge upon the Ratepayers to support it.

Alderman Fowler addressed the Meeting and stated that the proposal was the best possible to get and stated that he would support the proposal when submitted to the Ratepayers.

Alderman Kennedy addressed the Meeting and stated that he was in favor of supporting the proposal when submitted to the Ratepayers.

Alderman Biss addressed the Meeting stating that in his opinion the proposal submitted by the Government was final and strongly urged the Ratepayers to support the same when presented to them for their consideration.

Reeve May, Councillors Westover and Kay addressed the Meeting and strongly urged that the proposal be supported by the Ratepayers.

Mr. J.E. Ward representing the East Seymour Ratepayers Associations stated that he was instructed by his Association to say that they would support the proposal.

The President of the Lynn Valley Ratepayers Association addressed the Meeting and asked several questions which were satisfactorily answered by Councillor Bridgman.

Alderman Philip addressed the Meeting stating that in his opinion the Premier was to be commended on the way he has dealt with this matter by way of being patient and trying to arrive at an equitable settlement which he believed now had been reached.

The Mayor reported that he had attended a Meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade and the question of the construction of a grain elevator on the Pacific Coast was taken up at the Meeting stating that a Meeting of the Grain Commission would be held in Winnipeg sometime in April and that the

Vancouver Board of Trade intended sending representatives to that Meeting to lay before the Commission the advantages of Burrard Inlet for the construction of a grain elevator.

Alderman Vance reported that he had taken up the matter of Robertson, Heisterman & Tait's account in respect to the North Vancouver Private Bill with Mr. Reid and that he had succeeded in having the Bill reduced by \$150. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that the account of Robertson, Heisterman & Tait now amounting to \$576 be paid.

Alderman Philip reported regarding the Meeting of the Committee from the Council with the Directors of the North Vancouver City Ferries Ltd. and stated that they had prepared a rough draft of a Governing Bylaw and had submitted the same to the Solicitor which when gone over by him would be returned to the Council for further consideration. Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that the City Clerk forward copies of all Minutes of the Council relative to Ferry matters together with a copy of the North Vancouver City Ferries Purchase loan Bylaw to the City Solicitor as soon as possible.

Moved by Alderman Philip seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the City Clerk forward copies of the Minutes of the Council relative to the proposed settlement of Rice Lake Lands to City Solicitor Reid.

Moved by Alderman Philip seconded by Alderman Fowler and resolved that Mr. Haslam, Secretary Joint Civic Committee forward a copy of the Memorial relative to acquiring Indian Reserves to the Board of Harbor Commissioners at Vancouver.

Alderman Fowler submitted a draft form of Memorial to be forwarded to the Honorable the Premier and Executive Council of British Columbia relative to the additional grant given the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co.

Moved by Alderman Fowler seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that the Memorial be forwarded to the District of North Vancouver Council and the District of West Vancouver Council requesting their signatures and after it has been properly signed to forward it to the Honourable the Premier and Executive Council at Victoria.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Fowler and resolved that the inspection of the location of the proposed Fire Alarm system boxes be postponed indefinitely.

At 10:30 it was moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that the time for the meeting of this Council be extended.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the matter of procuring of a daily report form for the Parks Committee be left in the hands of the Chairman of the Parks Committee.

Moved by Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that a 4' water main be laid on 18th Street from Lonsdale to Chesterfield Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Philip seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the City Treasurer be asked to bring in to the Council in Committee of the Whole a statement of the present standing of the different Bank accounts and of the accounts of the different standing Committees.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the report and estimate as submitted by the Engineer for:

1	Grading 23 rd Street to a width of 26' with the necessary slopes from the east side of Lonsdale Avenue to the west side of Ridgeway Avenue, and
2	Grading 23 rd Street to its full width from the west side of Lonsdale Avenue to the west side of Larson Road, and
3	Grading to the full width Larson Road and Bewicke Avenue from the south side of 23 rd Street to the intersection of Bewicke Avenue and Larson Road, thence south on Bewicke Avenue to the North side of Keith Road,

In the event of no sufficient petition against the construction of the proposed works being filed within the required time, the work be commenced forthwith under the supervision and direction of the Engineer.

A letter from Jack Loutet & Co. setting forth a proposal for settlement in respect to a claim for damages to Lot 23/137/271, caused by grading operations was received and read.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the letter be referred to Committee of the Whole and that the Engineer and Assessor be instructed to examine the property and report to the Council on Thursday, March 26th, and that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the City Solicitor and the City Solicitor requested to furnish the Council with a statement of the cost of the litigation in this case to date.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the City Treasurer be instructed to take up the matter of the necessary books, supplies etc. required in connection with the City assuming ownership of the North Vancouver City Ferries with the Secretary Treasurer of the Company.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Philip and resolved that a Special Meeting of this Council be held on March 27th to deal with matters pertaining to acquirement of the assets of the North Vancouver City Ferries Ltd. and the operation of the Ferries, and determine the requisite number of

employees and the salaries to be paid etc. and that in the public interests this Meeting be a closed Meeting and be held at 2 o'clock P.M.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that the Bylaws entitled "The Mayor and Aldermen's Indemnity Bylaw, 1914" be now read the third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the third time.

Moved by Alderman Vance seconded by Alderman Kennedy and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this Meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "The Tax Levy Bylaw, 1914".

Whereupon the Bylaw was read the first time.

Council adjourned at 11:45.

Signed: William J. Irwin, Mayor