

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1916 AT
8:00 P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor Hanes
Alderman Foreman
Alderman Barclay
Alderman Biss
Alderman Irwin
Alderman Wright
Alderman Morden

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 21st instant, copies of which had been previously furnished to the Council, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From City Treasurer Humphreys advising the Council that Messrs. Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd. had received their commission amounting to \$125 on the City's purchase of \$50,000 War Loan bonds, and that they were willing to donate \$115 of the same to any deserving Patriotic Fund names by the Council. Referred to Finance Committee.

From C. Talbot Haslam advising the Council that he had joined the 6th Field Company, C.E., for overseas service and requested that he be given one month holidays dating from March 1st and that a further leave of absence from April 1st be granted to a reasonable date after the close of the War, the latter of course without salary. Referred to Motions.

From City Solicitor Sutton submitting draft copy of an amendment to the Municipal Act giving authority to a Municipality to grant aid to another Municipality for the purpose of operating a ferry system. Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that a copy of the proposed amendment be forwarded to F.A. McDiarmid, Solicitor, Union of British Columbia Municipalities, R. Baird, Municipal Inspector and the Honourable W.J. Bowser, Premier, with the Council's request that the same be made law.

From Geo. Campbell, Secretary School Board requesting an interview with the Board of Works on the grounds at Ridgeway School. Referred to Board of Works and the Clerk instructed to notify Mr. Campbell that the Board of Works will meet the School Trustees at Ridgeway School on Thursday, March 2nd at 2 P.M.

From the Machinery Installation Co. re changing oil burning system on the city ferries. Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that this matter be referred to the Ferry Committee.

From Mrs. C.F. Wilcox being a complaint concerning a nuisance in the neighborhood of her residence at 317 - 14th Street West. Referred to Police Committee.

From Davis, Marshall, MacNeill & Pugh re certain lanes in D.L. 274 purchased by the City from Mrs. Hamersley in 1910. Referred to Fire, Light and Lanes Committee.

From B.C. Telephone Co. enclosing copy of an Act to incorporate the Western Canada Telephone Co. Referred to Board of Works.

From W.D. Lighthall, Honourable Secretary Union Canadian Municipalities advising the Council that the Western Canada Telephone Bill infringed the rights of all Canadian municipalities especially Municipal control of streets and requested that the City wire a protest to the Minister of Railways and notify him. Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the City Clerk wire a protest against the Act to incorporate the Western Canada telephone Company, and that Mr. Lighthall be notified of the City's action in this regard.

From Alex. Philip requesting that something definite be done at once in respect to the Horticultural Association's property. Referred to motions.

From Alex. Philip drawing the attention of the Council to the advisability of endeavoring to have a Regiment mobilized in North Vancouver. Referred to Finance Committee.

From the Deputy Minister of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, acknowledging receipt of the City's protest against the granting of certain portion of the foreshore lots in front of Chesterfield, St. Andrew's, St. Patrick's Avenues to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. for right of way. Filed.

From E. St. John drawing the attention of the Council to the dangerous condition of the culvert at the corner of 23rd Street and Western Avenue. Referred to Board of Works and the Engineer instructed to investigate and submit a report to the Board of Works on Thursday, March 2nd.

From Secretary North Vancouver Miniature Rifle Club asking for financial aid. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Wallace Shipyards, Ltd. submitting a statement as required under Section 10 of the Agreement between the City and them in respect to the number and nationality of the men employed during the month of January. Referred to Industrial Committee.

From H. Bose, Secretary-Treasurer, Union of British Columbia Municipalities acknowledging receipt of the City's request re legislation effecting the issue and sale of Tax Certificates. Filed.

From E.F. Jones, City Solicitor, Vancouver, enclosing a copy of the Charter Amendments asked for by the City of Vancouver, wherein one section in the proposed amendments affected the ferry system. Referred to Ferry Committee.

From L.S. Extell asking for an extension of time for payment of taxes on property owned by S.H. Extell who is at the present time on active service. Referred to Finance Committee.

From H.J. Gardiner being a request for sidewalk on that portion of Chesterfield Avenue and 24th Street West that runs from 23rd Street West to Mahon Avenue. Referred to Board of Works.

From Major J. Eades Ward re installing water meter at the North Vancouver Drill Hall. Referred to Finance Committee.

From City Clerk Collins submitting a report of a Joint Meeting of representatives of the Councils of North and West Vancouver Districts and City of North Vancouver re Canada Patriotic Fund. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Acting Engineer Clucas submitting plan and specifications of certain repairs to the roof of Fire Hall No. 2. Referred to Fire, Light and Lanes Committee.

From Alderman Thos. Irwin being an application for a reduction of water rent for the building situate on Lot 16/165/274, he having compiled with the requirements of the amendment to the "Waterworks Regulation Bylaw". Referred to Finance Committee.

Under the head of Inquiries, Alderman Foreman asked the Board of Works what if anything, was being done in respect to the application of the North Vancouver Lumber Company for the use of St. George's Avenue street end. Alderman Biss Chairman of the Board of Works reported that the matter was to receive consideration on Thursday, March 2nd.

City Treasurer Humphreys received private bids for printing the City's Financial Statement and Departmental Reports from Shoemaker & McLean and the North Shore Press Ltd. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that the lowest Tender be accepted, being that of the North Shore Press, Ltd., and that 100 copies of the City's Financial Statement and Departmental report be printed.

In responded to a call for tenders for insurance on the City's horses, Tenders were received from the following:

Alex Smith & Co. at 7-1/2%;

Yorkshire Insurance co. at 6-1/2% to 8-1/2% according to the ages of the horses.

Referred to Board of Works and Parks Committees.

In response to a call for Tenders for fire insurance on the City's warehouse and stables at the foot of Chesterfield Avenue, tenders were received from the following:

Alex Philip, W.D. McFarland & Co., Ernest N. Maltby, T.S. Brown, North Shore Locators, Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., Alex Smith & Co., N.B. Whitley.

Referred to Board of Works.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the City Clerk prepare and submit a list showing the names of the different parties who carries any of the City's insurance together with the amount carried by each.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Schools, Board of Works, Waterworks, Parks, Board of Health 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	\$887.90
Schools	2,969.50
Board of Works	513.15
Waterworks	335.05
Parks	198.85
Board of Health	239.50

The reports of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 21st and 25th instant were read and on motion of Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Bass adopted.

The reports of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 21st and 25th instant were read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Bass and resolved that the books of the Assessor's Department be removed to the Treasurer's Office and that the Assessor's work be taken charge of by that Department Until further notice also that Mr. Harlem receive his salary up to the first of April.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Bass and resolved that this Council place on record its appreciation of the services rendered to the City by Mr. C. Talbot Harlem as City Assessor for years past, and that leave of absence be granted to Mr. Harlem without salary from April 1st, 1916 until his return from the War.

Moved by Alderman Mordent seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that this Council desires to place on record its appreciation of the decision of the GOOF to hold their picnic for the year 1915 at Mahon Park this City, and would at the same time express the hope that the success attending the event will prove a strong incentive to them when selecting a location for the year 1916 for a repetition of the enjoyable day to favorably consider North Vancouver and this Council desires to intimate to the Committee having the matter in hand and through them to the several Lodges concerned our earnest wish that they again do our City the honour of holding this important event at Mahon Park and that the City Clerk be requested to forward a copy of this Resolution to the representatives of the Local Lodge or the Committee to whom may be referred the selection of a Picnic ground fro the year 1916.

The following Resolution was offered:

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Wright that the; Council provide in the estimates for the year 1916 the sum of approximately \$2400 same being intended as a grant to the Horticultural Association to cover the amount of taxes, interest and costs against the Association's property which is in arrears to the City. The above resolution was discussed pro and con at the conclusion of which it was moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the city Treasurer be requested to submit

a written report to the Finance Committee on Thursday, March 2nd pointing out to them the various modes of procedure which might be adopted and be a benefit to the City in connection with the Horticultural Association's property.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the city Clerk prepare ballots and that the Council proceed to ballot on the Election of an Auditor. Whereupon the ballot was spread resulting as follows: Wm. C. Lamberton 5; E.H. Giske 1.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Wm. C. Lamberton be and is hereby appointed Auditor for the City of North Vancouver during the pleasure of the Council.

Mr. Robinson was present and was granted permission to address the Council. He desired to be advised if there was any probability of he, being a single man, getting employment from the City. His request was referred to the Board of Works.

Alex Philip was present and was granted permission to address the Council, asking for an extension of time in which to pay the water rates on St. Stephen's Church in order to be allowed the rebate. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that this matter be referred to Alderman Foreman and Mayor Hanes.

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

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The Ferries Operation and Maintenance Bylaw 1916" be now reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Whereupon the Bylaw was read, reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

At 10:45 it was moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that this Council adjourn.

Signed: George S. Hanes, Mayor