

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD WITHIN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MONDAY, APRIL 17th, 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 10th instant were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the 13th instant were read and on motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Department of Marine & Fisheries re St. George's Avenue street end.
Referred Board of Works.

From City Solicitor Sutton re North Vancouver City vs Vancouver Power Company, wherein he advised the Council that the Vancouver Power Company had serviced notice of appeal to the Privy Council and stated that it would be necessary for the City to engage a London counsel and suggested that Sir Robert Findlay be engaged. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that the Solicitor's suggestion as to the ganging of Sir Robt. Findlay as counsel in the appeal of the Vancouver Power Company to the Privy Council be approved and adopted.

From Fire Chief Findlay being his report on the Fire Department for the month of March.
Referred to Fire, Light and Lanes Committee.

From the Secretary Mainland Fire underwriters Association re reduction of Fire Department. Laid on the table for further consideration.

From the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. re Chesterfield Avenue wharf. Referred to Board of Works.

From J.G. Farmer, CMC, enclosing a copy of the Minutes of a Joint Meeting of representatives of the Councils of the District of North Vancouver and the City of North Vancouver in respect to raising money in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Referred to Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the Solicitor be requested to advise the Council as to whether the City has the legal right to raise money by bylaw in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

From the Union of Canadian Municipalities. Referred to Finance Committee.

From the North Vancouver Dairy being a complaint against people selling milk without a license. Referred to Parks, Boulevard & Health Committee.

From J.F. Collins, City Clerk, advising the Council of the condition of the fence at the West side of the City Hall grounds. Referred to Police Committee.

From J.G.S. Troake accepting the position of Road Superintendent in conjunction with his duties as Parks Superintendent. Referred to Board of Works.

From L. Reda being a request for permission to construct a chimney at the rear of the Palace Hotel. Referred to Fire, Light and Lanes Committee and the Building inspector was instructed to submit a report on the matter.

From P.G. Drost re repairs to camps on the waterfront. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the Building Inspector submit a report in connection with the camps on Mr. Drost's property.

In response to a call for tenders for the construction of the Keith Road Bridge, tenders were received from the following:

Wilton, McLean & McMurdo \$1576.75; Askew & Kennedy \$1659.00; Geo. F. Nicholson \$1695.00; John McEwen \$1950.00; St. Clair & Co. \$1607.00; Geo. T. Fox \$1535.00; J.J. Miller \$1520.00; Wm. Smith \$1581.80.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the Tenders received for the construction of Keith Road bridge be referred to the Engineer for tabulation and handed to the Board of Works for consideration.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Police, Schools, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks and 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	\$308.84
Police	73.74
Schools	1132.27
Board of Works	352.48
Waterworks	54.94
Fire and Light	2291.73
Ferry	2957.77
Parks	30.35
Health	197.44

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 13th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Biss adopted.

The report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 13th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Foreman adopted.

The report of the Board of Works as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 13th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

The report of the Fire, Light and Lanes Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 13th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

The report of the Parks, Boulevard and Health Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 13th instant was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Wright adopted.

Pursuant to notice, Alderman Wright submitted the following resolution:

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Mayor Hanes that it would be in the interest of the City that the Resolution recommended by the Ferry Committee and passed by the Council, on March 20th, "THAT the Ferry employees be not paid when absent through sickness" be reconsidered by the Council in order that It may be shown why the Ferry employees should be treated differently to other employees of the City who now receive sick pay when on monthly salaries.

There was a division in the council resulting as follows:

For the Motion: Alderman Wright Alderman Morden and Mayor Hanes

Against the motion: Alderman Irwin Alderman Biss Alderman Barclay and Alderman Foreman.

The motion was declared lost.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that:

WHEREAS the Council deems it advisable to forthwith transfer the City's banking business (save and except the City Ferry account) to the Royal Bank (North Vancouver Branch);

AND WHEREAS the Royal Bank of Canada has agreed with the City to accept said accounts and to allow interest at the rate of three and one-half percent upon all sinking funds, savings account, bylaw and other city moneys deposited in said Bank save and except current account;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City's banking business, save and except the City ferry account, be done with the Royal Bank of Canada (North Vancouver Branch) as and from the 19th day of April 1916;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to forthwith transfer from the Bank of British North America to the Royal Bank of Canada (North Vancouver Branch) all city accounts, all city moneys on deposit in said Bank of British North America including sinking funds, savings account, Bylaw moneys and all other moneys the property of the City of North Vancouver on deposit or held by said Bank of British North America to the said Royal Bank of Canada;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to sign all cheques for moneys due by the City to said Bank of British North America and pay off and discharge all the City's indebtedness to said Bank;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to liquidate all such indebtedness of the City to said Bank that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to do all things, take all proceedings and sign all documents necessary to be taken or done in completing the transfer of the City's banking business from the Bank of British North America to the said Royal Bank.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Royal Bank of Canada be and is hereby appointed the Banker of the City and is hereby authorized to pay and honor all cheques signed by the Mayor and Treasurer and further to accept for deposit to the credit of the City all cheques, drafts, notes, bills and other negotiable instruments endorsed in the name of the City by the Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this Meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "A Bylaw to Repeal Bylaw No. 345" entitled "The City of North Vancouver Temporary Loan Bylaw, 1916" and that the said Bylaw receive its 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 Bylaw was introduced and read the first time.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "A Bylaw to Repeal Bylaw No. 345" be now read the second time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that Committee proceedings in respect to the Bylaw to repeal "Bylaw No. 345 be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "A Bylaw to Repeal Bylaw NO. 345" be now read the third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this Meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "A Bylaw to authorize the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to borrow money from the Royal Bank of Canada to meet the current lawful expenditures of the Corporation for the year 1916" and that the said Bylaw receive its 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 Bylaw was introduced and read the first time.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved than the Bylaw entitled, "A Bylaw to authorize the City to borrow money from the Royal Bank of Canada to meet the current lawful expenditures of the Corporation for the year 1916" be now read the second time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the committee proceedings in respect to the Bylaw be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the Bylaw entitled, "A Bylaw to authorize the City to borrow money from the Royal Bank of Canada to meet the current lawful expenditures of the Corporation for the year 1916" be now read the third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the city offices be closed on Saturday forenoon April 22nd as well as the public legal Easter holidays.

Under the head of unfinished business it was moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the council now consider the report of the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the several civic departments. Whereupon the report was considered clause by clause and dealt with as follows:

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the City Clerk's Department be continued as at present.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the City Treasurer' and Assessor's Office be continued as at present.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the City Engineer's Department be continued as at present.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss that the Fire Department be reduced by five men and one Fire Hall closed.

The following amendment was offered:

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright that the proposed reduction in the Fire Department be referred back to the Committee to investigate and submit a report as to whether the difference saved by closing of the Fire Hall and reducing the staff would be more or less than the increased insurance rates, if any, and to generally outline to the Council the advantages of the proposed change.

The amendment was put resulting as follows:

For the amendment: Alderman Foreman Alderman Morden Alderman Wright and Mayor Hanes.

Against the Amendment; Alderman Irwin Alderman Biss and Alderman Barclay.

The amendment was declared carried and the motion lost.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the City's legal department be continued as at present.

Alderman Irwin voted against the motion.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the building Inspector's Department be continued as present.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that the present system of one person selling tickets on the Vancouver wharf be continued indefinitely, and that the hours be so regulated that in one days work without over time the busy

portion of the day may be included, the detail of which to be arranged by the Chairman of the Ferry Committee and Ferry Superintendent and that the same procedure be applied to the selling of tickets on the North Vancouver wharf.

Moved by Alderman Biss seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Board of Works and Parks Departments be continued as at present.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Biss and resolve that the Waterworks Department be continued as at present.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Councilor recommend to the Policy commissioners that the Force be reduced by two men.

At 10:30 P.M. it was moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the Council adjourn to convene Tuesday April 18th at 8 P.M.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: George S. Hanes, Mayor