

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

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 1st instant were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

The following Resolution was submitted:

Moved by Mayor Hanes seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that this Council express its sincere regret and heartfelt sympathy with Alderman Barclay and family on account of the death of Mrs. Barclay.

The Mayor suggested that on account of the absence of Alderman Barclay and the death of his wife that the session of the Council be as short as possible.

Correspondence was received read and dealt with as follows:

From the Red Cross Society being a request for a grant of money. Referred to Finance Committee.

From R.S. Lewis being a request for the use of Mahon Park for picnic purposes for the Young People of the First Baptist Church of Vancouver. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that the Young People of the First Baptist Church of Vancouver be advised that they may have the use of Mahon Park for picnic purposes on May 24th.

From Gwynn R. Hughes being a request that his property on 2nd Street be protected against Tax Sale, he having joined the active militia and was leaving shortly for the Front. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that Mr. Hughes be advised of the Resolution of Council in respect to Soldier's property wherein everything possible is to be done to protect Soldier's property from Tax Sale.

Moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that a grant of \$100.00 be given the Victorian Order of Nurses.

Reports and recommendations by the Board of Works, Waterworks, Parks and 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:

Board of Works	\$374.50
Waterworks	160.60
Parks	55.50

Board of Health	60.00
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Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that the Chief of Police look into the matter of blasting on the wart front at the foot of St. David's avenue and if it is found on investigation to be dangerous that the blasting be stopped at once.

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 "The Tax Levy Rebate 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 Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that "The Tax Levy Rebate Bylaw 1916" be now read the second time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman and resolved that the Committee proceedings in respect to "The Tax Levy Rebate Bylaw 1916" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Biss and resolved that "The Tax Levy Rebate Bylaw 1916" be now read the third time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read the third time and passed by the Council.

Mr. W.L. Keene and Alex Philip were present on behalf of the Horticultural Association and on motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Foreman were granted permission to address the Council.

Whereupon they addressed the Council and suggested that the controversy in respect to Tax Sale proceedings of the Horticultural Association's property be referred to an independent Solicitor for his opinion.

City Solicitor Sutton was asked by the Council what in his opinion would be the best procedure. Whereupon Mr. Sutton advised the Council that owing to the fact that no finality would be reached upon submitting the matter to a Solicitor that the only way to finally dispose of the matter would be by way of stated case to a Judge of the Supreme Court.

At the conclusion it was decided to meet Mr. Philip and Mr. Keene again on Thursday evening, they in the meantime to submit their proposition in writing.

At 8:45 it was moved by Alderman Foreman seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the council adjourn.

Signed: George S. Hanes, Mayor