

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
MONDAY, JANUARY 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1917 AT 8:00 P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor Vance  
Alderman Wright  
Alderman McBain  
Alderman Morden  
Alderman Clark  
Alderman Irwin

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of January 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917 copies of which had been furnished each of the Aldermen, was taken as read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From George S. Hanes, MPP, stating that he had recommended to the Executive Council that Alderman Morden be appointed on the Board of License Commissioners and Alderman Wright on the Board of Police Commissioners for the City of North Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the recommendation as made by Mr. Hanes re appointment to the Board of Police and License Commissioners be and the same is hereby approved.

From R. Wallace, being a request for certain improvements to the road, etc. in front of his property. Referred to the Board of Works.

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

From the Secretary of the Greater Vancouver Recruiting League asking that the Council appoint representatives to attend a meeting of the League to be held in the Board of Trade Rooms on the 24<sup>th</sup> instant at 8 P.M.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Clark that Alderman Irwin attend the meeting of the Greater Vancouver Recruiting league on behalf of the City of North Vancouver.

The following amendment was offered. Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that Alderman McBain attend a meeting of the Greater Vancouver Recruiting League on behalf of the City of North Vancouver. The amendment was put and declared lost.

The motion was then put and declared carried.

From John R.J. Murray, being a request that he be given a share of the City's Insurance business. The letter was ordered filed and the Clerk instructed to place Mr. Murray's name on the list of Insurance Agents doing business in the City of North Vancouver.

The Secretary of the School board requested that the School Board's annual statement be published with the City's financial statement for the year 1916. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Secretary of the School Board enclosing the audited annual report of the School Board for the year 1916. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Mayor George W. Vance recommending that the provincial Government be requested to make provision in this year's estimates for a grant to the City Ferries. Referred to the Ferry Committee.

From Mayor George W. Vance recommending that the City Engineer be authorized to investigate and report on the possibilities of developing water power on the North Shore for the use of the City.

Moved by am and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Mayor's recommendation re development of water power on the North Shore for the use of the City be approved and adopted.

From Mayor George W. Vance recommending that a Committee be appointed to interview the Vancouver Council with the object of having the North Vancouver Ferry Terminal at Vancouver exempt from taxes. Referred to the Ferry Committee.

From City Solicitor A.C. Sutton, advising the Council that Mr. John Sullivan had been requested to give the City a duplicate check in payment of his taxes, the first check having been stolen at the time of the robbery of the City vault, but up to the present he had not paid any attention to the request made. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Alexander Philip being a request that he e give a share of the City's Insurance business. The letter was ordered filed and the Clerk instructed to place Mr. Philip's name on the list of Insurance Agents doing business in the City of North Vancouver.

From J.S. Rankin, Adjuster of Fire Losses, complimenting the City's Fire Department on the manner in which they dealt with the recent fire at the North Vancouver Lumber Company's Sash and Door Factory.

From Collector, George E. Kyle, reporting to the Council that the North Vancouver Lumber Company had made an Assignment and that they were indebted to the City for water rates amounting to \$19.50.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the City make claim to the Assignee of the North Vancouver Lumber Company's property to the amount of their claim namely \$19.50 and that the required statement and Declaration be made and presented to the Assignee.

From City Collector, George E. Kyle re water rates charged against lots 6 to 8, Block 171, D.L. 274. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From City Clerk, J.F. Collins, reporting the result of a joint meeting of the representatives from the Councils of the City of North Vancouver, District of North Vancouver and District of West Vancouver, as follows:

“Mayor Vance was appointed Chairman and Councillor Loutet Secretary of the Meeting. The following Motion was unanimously passed after considerable discussion with regard to the nationalization of the Harbour:

“Resolved that the Board of Trade, Vancouver, be written to offering to cooperate with them in the matter of nationalization of the Harbour of Vancouver, it being our unanimous opinion that such development should take place within the First Narrows of Burrard Inlet and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Councils of the City and District of North Vancouver and District of West Vancouver.”

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Report of the Joint Meeting as above set forth be and the same is hereby approved and adopted.

From City Solicitor, A.C. Sutton, enclosing a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to Lot 10/48A/548. The letter was ordered filed and the City Clerk was instructed to place the Certificate of Title on file in the City’s vault.

From Mayor George W. Vance reporting that Miss Homewood had interviewed him in respect to the construction of a sidewalk in the lane on the West side of Lonsdale Avenue between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets. Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

Under the head of enquiries Alderman Irwin asked as to whether the City could furnish their own Electric power after completing the purchase of the street lighting system and the light, heat and power system of the Vancouver Power Company.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that this matter be referred to the City Solicitor for an opinion.

Under the head of plans for approval, three certain plans from the B.C. Telephone Company numbered A3222, A3224 and A3228 were laid before the Council together with a recommendation from the City Engineer that the same be approved in compliance with instructions given by him.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the three plans received from the B.C. Telephone Company as above described be and the same are hereby approved.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Industries & Publicity, Police, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Parks, Fire and Light 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, Ind. & Publ.	\$141.90
Parks (Police)	16.60
Ferry	1,268.96
Board of Works	162.65
Waterworks	24.85
Parks	5.05
Fire & Light	26.55
Health	20.00

The report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

The report of the Fire, Light and Lanes Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman McBain adopted.

The report of the Parks & Boulevards Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Wright adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the two paragraphs in the recommendation of the Ferry Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> of January in respect to the issue of Ferry passes, be referred back to the Committee.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the recommendation as contained in the Minutes of the Ferry Committee of January 18<sup>th</sup>, 1917, be adopted as amended.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the City Clerk correspond with the Municipalities of West and North Vancouver asking if they will endorse a Petition from this Council requesting the Dominion Government at as early a date as possible to place a representative from the North Shore on the Vancouver Harbour Board.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the City Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Trade Commissioners of Canada located in Australia and New Zealand, advising them of desirable location being available in the City of North Vancouver for the manufacture of woolens and that we desired to be put in touch with any likely to be interested.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that WHEREAS amongst the properties which have fallen into the hands of the City through Tax Sale proceedings there are a number of lots cleared and ready for cultivation. There is a little prospect of there being any sale of these properties during the present year;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada is urging upon the people the necessity of greater production.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that in order to assist those citizens who have not sufficient garden facilities that these lots be offered to ratepayers and citizens rent free for the present year in consideration of their placing the same under cultivation.

Applicants to be allotted not more than one 33' or 50' lot each as the case may be and allocation to be made in the order in which the application is received.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a special committee be appointed to negotiate with the Vancouver City Council with a view to having the citizens of North Vancouver extended the privileges of the Carnegie Library without the restrictions at present placed upon them and also that such committee enquire into and report upon the feasibility of establishing a public library in this City.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that Alderman Wright and Alderman McBain be and they are hereby appointed a special Committee to negotiate with the Vancouver City Council with a view to having the Citizens of North Vancouver extended the privileges of the Carnegie Library without the restrictions at present placed upon them and also that they enquire into and report upon the feasibility of establishing a public library in this City.

The following resolution was offered:

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman McBain that whereas in the opinion of this Council it is the duty of all governing bodies in the Dominion to render such aid as is in their power to our Returned Soldiers and Sailors and this Council being desirous of fulfilling its duty in this respect;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that in case of any vacancy or vacancies occurring in the City staff during the present year, applications for such vacancy received from resident returned soldiers or sailors shall be given first consideration, providing the applicant is possessed of the necessary qualification, to suitably fill the position.

After consideration discussion it was moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Morden and resolve that this Motion be referred to a special Committee consisting of the whole Council next Thursday evening.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the City Solicitor be requested to report to the Council at its next regular meeting if in his opinion that tract of land known as the Mission Indian Reserve was included within the Corporation limits at the time of this incorporation.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that this Council recommend to the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company that Alderman McBain be appointed as a Director of the Directorate of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company on behalf of the City of North Vancouver in the place of Ex-Alderman Foreman, resigned and that the Company be notified to transfer the shares held in trust by Mr. C.F. Foreman, to the said Alderman McBain to be held in trust by him until his Successor has been appointed and that the Company be asked to enroll the said Alderman McBain as a Director instead of Mr. C.F. Foreman.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that his Worship Mayor Vance together with the Ferry Committee be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to interview the Vancouver City Council in respect to the better lighting of Columbia avenue from Alexander Street to Hastings Street and also in respect to removal of snow off said street and also that portion of Alexander Street from the Vancouver end of subway to Columbia Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Alderman Morden and Alderman Barclay be and they are hereby appointed Directors of the North Vancouver Horticultural Association & Farmers' Institute as the City's representatives on said Board of Directors.

Alderman Clark gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the Council introduce a resolution to the effect following:

"That if any monthly salaries civic employees do not now have short sickness salary benefit that any other civic employee enjoys, that they be and are hereby granted this equal and equitable concession".

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the "Weekly Half Holiday Bylaw 1917" be now reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealer with the Corporate Seal. Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "The Vagrancy Bylaw" 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 Barclay and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that "The Vagrancy Bylaw" be now read the second time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Committee proceedings in respect to "

The Vagrancy Bylaw" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that "The Vagrancy Bylaw" be now read the third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the third time and passed by the Council.

At 9:45 it was moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that this Council adjourn. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor