

MINUTES OF MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY FEBRUARY 19TH, 1917 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Minutes of the regular meeting of February 12th, 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.

The Minutes of the adjourned meeting held February 13th, 1917, copies of which had been furnished each of the Aldermen was taken as read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From W.S. Compston, offering a suggestion to the Council in respect to giving prizes for the best cultivated lot in the City. Referred to a special committee consisting of the whole Council.

From the Hammond Land & Timber Company being a request that Keith Road in front of Lot 15, Block 67, DL 271, be cleared and filled in. Referred to the Board of Works.

From A.D. Nye, offering to sell to the City a certain house known as the Wireless House which he bought from the City some four years ago. Referred to the Parks Committee.

From the Harbour View Sanitarium being an account in respect to John Creib, to the amount of \$15.75. Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the sum of \$5.00 be tendered to the Harbour view Sanatorium as payment in full of their account against John Creib.

From City Solicitor A.C. Sutton, re waterworks Bylaw. Referred to resolutions.

From A.C. Sutton, re Vancouver Hospital Accounts, wherein he advised that he had applied to the persons owing the accounts for payment and had not received a response and suggested that a list of the persons owing the accounts be handed to the Chief of Police to make enquiries as to their financial standing.
Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the suggestion of the City Solicitor re Vancouver Hospital Accounts be approved and adopted.

From J.S. Foran, Secretary Children's' Aid Society, being a request that the Society be granted permission to hold a tag day in the City of North Vancouver. Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that permission be

and is hereby given the Children's' Aid Society to hold a tag day in the City of North Vancouver on Saturday March 17th, 1917.

From Donald McTavish, being a complaint in respect to hens running at large. Referred to the Police Committee.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, re payment of interest on the City's issue of \$225,000. Treasury Notes out of the Joint Trust Account.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the City Clerk communicate with the Canadian Financiers Trust Company and advise them that in the Council's opinion the interest on the Treasury Notes should be paid out of the Joint Trust Account.

From W.P. Teskey, stating that there was demand in Alberta for farm laborers. Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that Mr. Teskey's letter be suitably acknowledged and that notice of the contents of the letter be inserted in the North Shore Press and also to give notice that persons desiring to take advantage of the demand for farm laborers in Alberta, register their names with the City Engineer.

From W.A. Blair, Secretary of the Vancouver Board of Trade re Petition to the Executive Council in connection with the completion of the Howe Sound Section of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co.. Ordered filed.

From James Ollason, advising the Council that the Council of the District of West Vancouver endorsed the petition to the Executive Council urging the immediate commencement of work on the Howe Sound Section of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co... Ordered filed.

From the Secretary of the School Board in respect to the School Board's monthly salary sheets. Ordered filed.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, re Horticultural Society, Stated Case, wherein he advised that the Solicitor of the Society had altered the Stated Case to such an extent that he could not agree to it and had so informed the Society's Solicitor. Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Stand taken by the City Solicitor in respect to the Stated Case between the City and the Horticultural Society, be endorsed and that the Horticultural Society be advised that it appears that their Solicitors are impeding the case and that unless they instruct their Solicitors to concede to the City Solicitor's demands that the case cannot be proceeded with.

From William McQueen, City Clerk, Vancouver, informing the Council that the Vancouver Council's Committee on bridges and Railways, would meet a Delegation from the North Vancouver City Council re Howe Sound Section of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. on Tuesday February 20th, 1917 at 4 P.M.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that His Worship Mayor Vance, Alderman Wright, Alderman Barclay be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait on the City of Vancouver Bridges and Railway

Committee in respect to the Howe Sound Section of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co.

Under the head of Enquiries Alderman Clark wished to be informed as to how the matter of having placed on the Board of Harbour Commissioners, a representative from the North Shore, was progressing.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that this matter be referred to the City Solicitor to report as to what in his opinion would be the best procedure to adopt to bring the matter before the proper authorities.

City Treasurer C.R. Lane and City Collector George E. Kyle, were present and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Clark were granted permission to address the Council.

Whereupon they did so and drew the attention of the Council to an article which appeared in the North Shore Press wherein it stated that there appeared to be some dissension between the two officers. Both of the Gentlemen denied that there was any dissension between them and that everything was working harmoniously.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks, Board of Health and Police 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	\$363,51
Board of Works	98.00
Ferry	3,026.89
Waterworks	144.00
Fire & Light	1,361.60
Parks	4.44
Board of Health	148.47
Police	55.30

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 15th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman McBain adopted.

The Report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 15th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 15th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Wright adopted.

The Report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 15th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 15th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

Alderman McBain and Alderman Wright having been appointed a Committee in respect to establishing a public library in the City of North Vancouver reported that they had interviewed the Library Board of the City of Vancouver with a view of securing a branch of the Carnegie Library on this side and that

"The Board thoroughly discussed the matter and Mr. Douglas, the Librarian, stated that he had for sometime felt that the outlying Districts were neglected in this respect but that he did not think that the initiative of establishing libraries should emanate from the Vancouver Board. He was of the opinion, however, that where any of the adjacent Municipalities showed any inclination to do so, the Vancouver Board should give them every facility in their power. The various members of the Board expressed themselves as sympathetic with our proposal and after some discussion the chairman stated that the matter would be taken up with the Council and if their approval could be secured he thought the Board would agree to establish a Branch Library of about 1200 volumes conditional upon our making the necessary arrangements for quarters, guaranteeing the safety of the books and also paying an annual depreciation on their value.

As nothing definite could be decided until the City Council had been discussed the Board promised a definite answer at their next meeting.

Your Committee therefore suggests that we be empowered to again interview the Board to receive and discuss any offer which they may see fit to make and bring in a report when that has been done.

Library Committee: signed George Albert McBain and F.H. Wright".

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Committee's Report be approved and that they be empowered to proceed further with negotiations.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that whereas certain water service is being rendered to camps, where the property owners have not signed the usual application obligating themselves to make payments; and a large number of bad debts have as a consequence been incurred, it is resolved that after the Collector has collected such arrears as he can, that no further service be rendered until the owner of the land signs an application as required by Bylaw.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that in accordance with the opinion of the City Solicitor the Collector has power to adjust the water rate of Mr. W.B. Lees re Boscobel Apartments under Bylaw 348, and that the Collector is hereby instructed to adjust accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that a copy of the resolutions in the Minutes since 1914 in respect of instructions governing employment and reduction of staffs be furnished each Alderman.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that in future all burials undertaken by the City shall be accorded Christian rites and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to communicate with the Ministerial Union and make arrangements accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this Meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw 1917" 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 Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw 1917" be now read the second time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the Committee proceedings in respect to "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw 1917" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw 1917" be now read the third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "The Mayor's and Aldermen's Indemnity Bylaw, 1917". Whereupon the Bylaw was introduced and read the first time.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The Mayor's and Aldermen's Indemnity Bylaw, 1917" be now read the second time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the resolution passed by the Council on Tuesday February 13th, 1917 in respect to reducing the Fire Department take effect as and from April 1st and that the Chief of the Department be notified accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Council do now go into Committee of the Whole to discuss matters in respect to the administration of affairs in the City Treasurer and Collector's Office.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that His Worship Mayor Vance act as Chairman of the Committee. Whereupon the Mayor Called the Committee to order.

IN COMMITTEE

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor