

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>, 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 Council Meeting held March 12<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 Clark adopted.

The Minutes of the adjourned meeting of the Council held March 13<sup>th</sup> copies of which had been furnished each of the Aldermen, was taken as read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Wright adopted.

Before proceeding with the regular order of business, the Mayor intimated to the Council that Mr. Steacy, one of the School Trustees was present and desired to address the Council as soon as possible owing to the fact that he had another meeting to attend. Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that Mr. Steacy be granted permission to address the Council. Whereupon Mr. Steacy spoke in reference to the City cooperating with the School Board in planting trees throughout the City by way of proclaiming a half holiday for the purpose, in order to give all the citizens an opportunity to participate. This matter was referred to motions.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the City Engineer and Parks Superintendent being a report as to the suitability of Recreation Park for garden purposes. Referred to the Parks & Boulevard Committee.

From Acting Engineer, Mr. A.R. Clucas, being a report in connection with a letter received from the B.C. Map Company in which they ask for a map of the City showing all up to date improvements and giving the latest information. Mr. Clucas reported that to supply this information would entail a large amount of work and would take several weeks to prepare such a plan and suggested that the B.C. Map Company be informed that if they would send a Representative over to the Engineer's Office that what information was required would be readily given.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Mr. Clucas' report be received and filed and that the B.C. Map Company be notified of the Engineer's suggestion.

From Alex Phillip, offering his services as Comptroller of the City of North Vancouver and also offering certain suggestions to the Council in respect to the handling of the work in the different Departments of the City. The matter was laid over to be taken up at the time the applications for City clerk were being considered.

From J.P. Young, being a request for a crossing to Lot 7/58/550. Referred to the Board of Works.

From Acting Engineer, Mr. A.R. Clucas, being a report on the interview had with the Executive Council at Victoria in respect to the cutting to timber on the water shed lands of Lynn Creek, Seymour and Capilano Creeks. Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the report be received and filed.

From the Single Tax Association of Ontario, enclosing a resolution passed by the Society in respect to the cultivation of vacant land, within the limits of the Cities and Towns. Referred to the Parks & Boulevards Committee.

From the Vancouver Daily Province, being a request that they be allowed the use of Mahon Park for Baseball Games.

Moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the Daily Province suburban Carriers be permitted to use Mahon Park for Baseball purposes on March 24<sup>th</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup> and June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1917.

From John G. Farmer, CMC, enclosing a copy of a letter which had been sent to the Honourable the Attorney General drawing the attention of the Attorney General to the advisability of amending the War Relief Act of 1916, and asking that the City Council take the matter up along the same lines.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that this matter be referred to a special Committee, consisting of the whole Council.

From Arthur Davies, License Inspector, reporting that a man by the name of Prendergast had opened up a Pool Room and paid the License Fee for the current six months; amounting to \$3.00 and that he had not done any business and owing to the fact that the gentleman in question was somewhat of a cripple he would like to see the license fee returned to him as he had discontinued to run the business.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the License Fee paid by Mr. Prendergast for operating a Pool Room be returned to him; owing to the fact that he had not done any business and the place had been closed.

From the Workmen's Compensation Board in respect to the rating of the Employees of the Police and Fire Departments. Referred to a Special Committee consisting of the whole Council.

From Sooba Khan, in respect to the purchase of Lots 9, 12 and 13, Block 202, DL 544. Referred to a Special Committee consisting of the whole Council.

From Messrs. Killoam & Beck, Solicitors for Messrs. Scott & Pease, being a complaint in respect to their clients being compelled by the Ferry Ticket Seller to weight a certain wagon and loan before they were permitted to go on board the ferry. The matter was referred to the Ferry Superintendent Mr. T.M. Heard to investigate the matter and submit a report in connection thereto on Thursday next the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant.

From R.W. Douglas, Secretary, Carnegie Library, Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Wright seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the letter from the Secretary of the Carnegie Library be referred to the City Library Committee for consideration and report.

From the Secretary of the School Board in respect to the estimates of the extra ordinary Expenditure of the Board, amounting to \$600.00 for the current year.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the School Board be advised that their estimates of the extra-ordinary expenditure amounting to \$600.00 has been approved of by the Council.

From the Secretary of the School Board soliciting cooperation on behalf of the City Council to revive the old custom being the observance of an annual Arbor Day.  
Referred to Motions.

From the Secretary of the School Board in respect to a certain check lost by one of the teachers, namely, A.D. Hotchkiss.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that provided the necessary Indemnity Bond be given the City Treasurer to his satisfaction, that a duplicate check be issued in favor of Mr. Hotchkiss to the amount of the lost check and that the Bank be notified to stop payment on the check alleged to have been lost.

From Douglas W. Reeve re purchase of a City Hall Site. Ordered filed.

From Messrs. Dale & Company Limited being a protest against the treatment of Mr. Sykes by the Council in respect to the award of \$26,000 Marine Insurance on Ferry No. 3. Ordered filed.

Representatives from the North Vancouver City Band were present and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Clark they were granted permission to address the Council, Whereupon Mr. Chance spoke in reference to a Baritone Instrument valued at \$175.00 now held by Mr. J.O'Neill who would not give the instrument up without being reimbursed to a certain amount for expenses incurred by him.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the City Clerk communicate with Mr. O'Neill with the object in view of obtaining from him the Baritone Instrument in question and that the City Clerk be empowered to go to the extent of \$20.00 in order to obtain possession of the instrument.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the City Clerk obtain from the property man of the North Vancouver City Band an inventory of the instruments and that all of the instruments be handed over to the City Clerk so that arrangements may be made by agreement entered into in respect to the giving out of the instruments to individual members of the Band.

Mr. G.E. Sykes was present and addressed the Council and stated that he had been informed that a certain Alderman had made reference in respect to him as having acted dishonestly with Mr. Smith in connection with the placing of Marine Insurance on Ferry No. 3.

After considerable discussion wherein all of the Aldermen denied having made any reference to Mr. Sykes as having acted dishonestly the matter was dropped.

Under the head of enquiries Alderman Wright enquired as to whether Henry Macaulay had given the City an undertaking in writing that in case of loss in respect to No. 3 Ferry that the adjusting fee of 1% would not be charged.

In response to a call for tenders in respect to printing of the Financial Statement, one was received from the North Shore Press. Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the tender be opened. Whereupon the tender was opened and read to the meeting as follows:

For printing Financial Statement of the City for the year 1916 to the amount of 200 copies size 6" x 9" at a price of \$2.15 per page.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolve that the tender for printing the City's Financial Statement for the year 1916 form the North Shore Press Limited at \$2.15 per page be accepted.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Fire and Light, Waterworks, Parks & Boulevards, 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:

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| Finance            | \$409.14 |
| School             | 251.69   |
| Ferry              | 3100.10  |
| Board of Works     | 155.76   |
| Fire & Light       | 1348.00  |
| Waterworks         | 45.47    |
| Parks & Boulevards | 25.63    |
| Board of Health    | 219.41   |
| Police             | 134.35   |

The Report of the Fire & Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Clark adopted.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

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

The Report of the Parks, Boulevard and Health Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Wright adopted.

The Report of the Special Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Clark adopted.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1917 be and the same is hereby declared a half holiday throughout the City for the purpose of reviving and observing the old custom of an annual Arbor Day.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver Hospital Aid 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 Barclay and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver Hospital Aid Bylaw 1917" be now read the second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Committee proceedings in respect to "The North Vancouver Hospital Aid Bylaw 1917" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver Hospital Aid Bylaw 1917" be now read the third time.

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

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council a Bylaw entitled "The Trades License Amendment Bylaw 1917" and that the said Bylaw receive its first and second reading at this meeting of the Council and that the occasion for such two 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 Clark and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The Trades License Amendment bylaw 1917" be now read the second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read the second time.

Moved by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the Council do now proceed with the appointment of a City Clerk to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the present incumbent Mr. J.F. Collins.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the City Clerk read the applications received for the position of City Clerk.

At 10:30 it was moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the time of this Council be extended in order to complete the business.

The Clerk resumed reading the applications. At the conclusion of which at 11:05 it was moved by Alderman Morden and seconded by Alderman Wright and resolved that the Council adjourn to convene again Thursday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1917 at 7:30 P.M. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor