

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY HALL, MONDAY, JUNE 11TH, 1917.**

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

The Minutes of the Council Meeting, held June 5th, 1917, copies of which had been furnished each of the Aldermen, was taken as read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From J.R. Creelman applying for a crossing over the ditch in the rear of Lots 1 and 26, Block 76, DL 549 and 550.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the above request of Mr. J.R. Creelman, be complied with.

From the Taylor Engineering Company requesting some information or data as to the extent of a proposed gas plant for the City. Referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

From H. Bell Irving stating that a meeting will be held in the Board of Trade rooms, Vancouver, on Wednesday the 13th instant, at 8 P.M., preliminary to a Mass Meeting to consider a resolution favoring selective conscription.

Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Mayor Vance, be appointed as a Representative to attend this meeting.

From George E. Kyle, stating that there is an unused burglar proof compartment in the safe in the Vancouver Ticket Office, the reason that it is unused being that the combination is unknown and stating that a Mr. Fletcher, safe expert, informs him the cost of opening this compartment would be \$15.00, providing it can be opened on the combination.

Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Collector be authorized to employ Mr. Fletcher to open the above safe on the combination at a cost of \$15.00. In the event of Mr. Fletcher failing to open it by the combination, then to have him submit an estimate of the cost of drilling or otherwise opening the compartment.

From Mr. H. Clements, Internment Camp, Vernon, requesting that his property No. 251 - 20th Street, East, be protected in his and his wife's absence.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that this letter be referred to the Police Department for attention.

From J.G.S. Troake, Parks Superintendent, being a report on beautifying the ground in the neighborhood of the fruit stand on the Vancouver Wharf, stating it could be done at a cost of not to exceed \$50.00.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that Superintendent Troake, be instructed to proceed with the above work, the cost to be charged to the Ferries.

From Mrs. Hall, President, Voters' Educational League, requesting the use of the Council Chamber on the evening of the 15th instant, when Mr. George S. Hanes, MPP, will give an address.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the request of Mrs. Hall for the use of the Council Chamber on the 15th instant, be granted.

From F. Berry, being a request to have the lane opened at the rear of lot 7/16A/550. Referred to the Board of Works and to the Engineer to report on.

From Mrs. Sarah M. Elder, requesting to have a load of gravel put into the lane at the rear of 261 - 4th Street West. Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

From W.H. Brett, County Secretary, LOL, thanking the Council for their kindness in placing at the disposal of the Orange Order the grounds and privileges in connection with Mahon Park for July 12th celebration. Referred to the Parks Committee.

From M.H. Morgan, Secretary Irish Fusiliers Band, stating that they would give a Band Concert in North Vancouver, weather permitting on Sunday June 10th, 1917. Ordered filed.

From the Secretary of the Police Commissioners, enclosing reports of Chief of Police Davies, on the street lights for the months of April and May. Referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

From H.H. Ross, of the Imperial Munitions Board, Victoria, BC, stating that the letter from the Clerk of the 5th instant, had been received by the Board in the absence of Mr. Butchart, also stating that from advices they had received, a conference had been held in Vancouver between Mr. Butchart, Reeve Bridgeman and others in respect to placing orders for wooden ships. Ordered filed.

From Messrs. McCrossan & Harper, enquiring if the property, subdivision 12, of lots 14 and 15, Block 8, DL 616, had been sold for taxes.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Clerk reply to Messrs. McCrossan & Harper's letter, that the above property had been sold for taxes and had been bid in by the City.

From the Private Secretary to the Prime Minister, Ottawa, acknowledging receipt of a telegram on the subject of the proposed measure for maintaining the Canadian Army Corps at the front. Ordered filed.

From the National Service Board of Canada, enclosing forms to be filled in respecting conditions of industry and employment. The Clerk was instructed to procure sufficient additional forms for the purpose and when obtained refer the matter to the Council for further consideration.

From Mr. George E. Kyle, stating that it was necessary to have additional printed matter and enclosed two tenders for same. Referred to tenders.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, in respect to the appeal re North Vancouver vs Vancouver Power Company Limited. Ordered filed.

From A.C. Sutton, being an opinion as to the position of the City in view of the amendment to the Municipal Act, being Section 49, Chapter 61 of the Statutes of 1917, stating that by virtue of Section 17 of the Interpretation Act, the City is not bound by the Amendments of 1917. That the passing of the rate and rebate bylaws and striking of the rates had all been done under the Municipal Act before the amenity and stating that the City may proceed under the Bylaws as already passed, giving a rebate upon the general rate only. Ordered filed.

From A.R. Clucas, Acting City Engineer, recommending that a Voltmeter be purchased for making the necessary tests for Electrolysis, at a cost of from \$60.00 to \$70.00. Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to purchase the above instrument.

From Mr. A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Co., stating that the Vancouver Traffic Manager cannot see his way clear to have additional signs placed on the Powell Street cars, referring to North Vancouver or North Vancouver ferries, also stating that he had taken the matter up with the Publicity Department requesting that they should give Public Notice in the "Buzzer" as to what cars travel down Powell Street. Moved by Alderman McBain and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Perry for his interest in this matter.

Under the head of tenders, the Clerk reported two tenders received for printing. Moved by Alderman Irwin and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the tenders for printing be opened.

Whereupon the tenders were opened and one being from the North Shore Press and the other from D.A. MacLean.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the lowest tender on each item be accepted, stock to be satisfactory to the Collector.

The Clerk reported tenders received for Public Liability on the ferries.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the tenders for Public Liability Insurance on the ferries be opened.

Whereupon the tenders were opened from Messrs. Waghorn, Gwynn & Co., W.D. McFarland, J.L. Gallagher, Alexander Philip, J. Hinton, T.S. Brown, Alexander Smith & Company.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above tenders for Ferry Insurance be referred to the Clerk to be tabulated and referred to a Committee of the Whole Council on Thursday the 14th instant.

The Clerk reported eleven applications for the position of Assistant to the City Collector.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the applications for the position of Assistant to the City Collector be read.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the above applications be referred to the City Collector for a recommendation, the said recommendation to be approved by the Council.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of June 7th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay adopted.

The Report of the Committee consisting of the Whole Council, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of June 7th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of June 7th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Clark adopted.

The Report of the Parks & Boulevards Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of June 7th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman McBain adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of June 7th, 1917, was read and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

His Worship Mayor Vance, stated that he would give written report on his recent trip to Ottawa and other Eastern points in connection with Nationalization of the Harbor and other matters on the 18th instant.

His Worship Mayor Vance also reported verbally that the imperial Munitions Board preferred giving work to companies in a position to carry on and complete the aid work satisfactorily.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the proper officials of this Corporation be empowered to arrange for the borrowing of \$7000.00 or such lesser sum as they may deem expedient from the Bank of Hamilton for the Ferry Department, the terms of the loan to be the same as is usually obtained by this Corporation.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Clerk in replying to Messrs. McCrossan & Harper state that the Council will consider an offer of arrears of taxes and expenses from the owner or owners for the return of the property.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the members of this Council wait on the Council of the District of north Vancouver on Thursday afternoon, June 14th, regarding a contribution towards the Ferry deficit.

Moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that this Council do now proceed to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for consideration of certain civic employees monthly salaries, on account of the advanced cost of the necessitates of life.

Moved by Alderman Barclay and seconded by Alderman Morden 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