

MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, JANUARY 21st, 1918 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

His Worship the Mayor and each of the Aldermen Elect, having made the necessary Declaration and Oath of Office and presented a Certificate from the Justice of the Peace, before whom the Declaration was made, that the same had been duly made and subscribed, took their seats at the Council Board.

His Worship Mayor Vance welcomed the new member, Alderman Watson and stated that he hoped that the year upon which we are now entering would be a successful one.

The Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of January 14th, 1918, were read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Clark adopted.

FINANCE, INDUSTRIES & PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Alderman G.A. McBain, Chairman
Alderman E.A. Morden
Alderman T. Irwin

FERRY COMMITTEE

Alderman W.J. Barclay, Chairman
Alderman T.R. Clark
Alderman B. Watson

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

(Including Sanitary and storm sewers; lane and Public Safety)

Alderman T. Irwin, Chairman
Alderman G.A. McBain
Alderman E.A. Morden

WATERWORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman B. Watson, Chairman
Alderman W.J. Barclay
Alderman T.R. Clark

PARKS & BOULEVARDS COMMITTEE

(Including Police, Health, Hospitals & Cemetery)

Alderman E.A. Morden, Chairman
Alderman T. Irwin
Alderman G.A. McBain

FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

Alderman T.R. Clark, Chairman
Alderman B. Watson
Alderman W.J. Barclay

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Mayor G.W. Vance, Chairman
Alderman W.J. Barclay
Alderman T.R. Clark
Alderman T. Irwin
Alderman G.A. McBain
Alderman E.A. Morden
Alderman B. Watson

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the appointment of the Committees as made by the Mayor, be approved and confirmed.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. acknowledging receipt of a letter from the Council, under date of December 19th in which was enclosed a resolution with respect to the Company making repairs to the roadbed between the rails, within the City. Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

From A.R. Clucas, Acting City Engineer, reporting in connection with the letter received from the Department of Lands, advising that the Department had an application to purchase the timber on a parcel of vacant crown land situate immediately east of Lots 1419 and 1490 on the East side of Seymour Creek. The Engineer stated that the land in question is situated on the watershed of Seymour Creek and the City does not have water records on this creek and consequently are not interested. The Clerk was instructed to notify the Department accordingly and the report was ordered filed.

From H.J. Gardiner, Secretary, North Vancouver Board of Trade, being an invitation to the Mayor and Council to meet Mr. S.J. Crowe, M.P., on Friday evening, the 25th instant at 8 p.m. to discuss matters affecting the North Shore. Ordered acknowledged and filed.

From the Canadian Red Cross Society making application for a grant of \$400.00 towards the material fund of the North Vancouver branch. Referred to Finance Committee.

From J.W. Fugler, Building, Plumbing and Sanitary Inspector, being a report on the number of vacant houses in the City. Moved by Alderman Morden, seconded by

Alderman Irwin that the report of J.W. Fugler be referred back to the Inspector for a further report as to the condition of the above vacant houses.

An amendment was offered. Moved in amendment by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Clark that the Clerk write the owners of the above vacant houses and advise them that if these houses are repaired, there is every opportunity of renting them, and that the Clerk also notify the Lyall Shipbuilding Co. of the houses which may be for rent. A vote was taken resulting as follows:

For the Amendment, Alderman McBain Alderman Barclay Alderman Watson and Alderman Clark.

Against the Amendment: Alderman Morden and Alderman Irwin.

The Mayor declared the Amendment carried and the motion lost.

From Mr. Gordon Tansley, City Auditor, being a report with respect to the sum of \$915.40 which it is claimed by the School Trustees was erroneously credited to "Revenue Account" instead of to "Extraordinary Expense Account".

Mr. Tansley stated that in his opinion the sum of \$619.12 is the correct sum which should have been credited by the City Treasurer to "Extraordinary Expense Account" of the School Board and \$296.28 the sum which should have been credited to "Revenue Account".

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above report be referred to the Finance Committee and that the Board of School Trustees be invited to meet with the Finance Committee to discuss the matter and that a copy of Mr. Tansley's report be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of School Trustees.

From the City Clerk, being a list of recommendations forwarded from the Council for the year 1917, as follows:

1.	That the application of Mr. C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, Assessor and Accountant, for an increase in salary, be referred to the Council for the year 1918.
2.	That the application of Mr. George E. Kyle, City Collector, for an increase in salary be referred to the Council for the year 1918.
3.	That the Engineer's salary be increased 10% from January 1 st 1918.
4.	That the matter of the recommendation of the Dominion Association of Fire Chiefs, to hold two (2) clean-up periods in the year, be also referred to the Council for the year 1918.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the City Clerk stating that the Assessment Roll of the City as prepared by the City Assessor had been returned completed on the 10th day of January 1918 and recommending that the Court of Revision to revise, correct and equalize the aforesaid assessment be held on Wednesday, February 27th 1918, at 10 a.m. Referred to Motions.

From the Vancouver Board of Trade, stating that it has been suggested that Bureau of the Vancouver Board of Trade should be formed entitled "Greater Vancouver and Surrounding Districts Bureau". Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the above letter from the Vancouver Board of Trade, be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the City Clerk, enclosing the report of the Fire Chief for the year 1917, which had been referred to the incoming Council. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that a Court of Revision be held for the purpose of hearing complaints against the Assessment for the year 1918 as made by the Assessor of the City of North Vancouver, and for revising and correcting or confirming the same, and that the first sitting of the said Court be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday the 27th day of February 1918, at 10:00 a.m. and that His Worship Mayor Vance, Alderman McBain, Alderman Irwin Alderman Morden and Alderman Barclay be and they are hereby appointed to constitute such Court.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the standing committees of the Council for the year 1918 meet every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise directed by resolution of Council.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Building Inspector report further and more fully on the condition of vacant hoses within the City.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that this Council take up its first sitting of the Committee of the Whole, the question of a permanent Assessor being appointed and with additional duties of assisting with Ferry clerical work.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that "The William Lyall Shipbuilding Company Limited, Exemption Bylaw", be now reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed 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.

With respect to the "North Vancouver Meat Market, Early Closing Bylaw, 1918" the Clerk reported that since the petition from the proprietors of the meat markets had been presented to the Council, two of them had sold out their business and that the proprietor of one of them, namely "Dawson Meat Market" had signed up the petition for early closing. The other new proprietor, when waited on by the Clerk, had not finally made up his mind whether he was in favor of the 9:00 o'clock closing or not.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the "North Vancouver Meat Market, Early Closing Bylaw, 1918" be referred back to the Committee stage.

Mayor Vance reported that Mr. J.W. Gibson, Provincial Organizer of Food Conservation Committees would be present in the Council Chamber on Friday evening January 25th at 7:30 p.m. and that the various public bodies on the North Shore had been requested to send delegates to meet the Provincial Organizer to decide upon some definite liens of work to be carried out during the coming months.

Mayor Vance also stated that there were a number of very serious matters affecting the interests of the City to be dealt with during the present year, such as Finance, the water question, repairs to certain streets, B.C. Electric Railway Co. purchase, controlling sites

for industries, steel plant and more particularly the Ferry deficit for the year 1918, which he estimated was likely to be approximately \$40,000 based on present day cost of oil and wages.

At 9:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Council adjourn. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor