

MINUTES OF MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, JANUARY 28th, 1918 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Minutes of Meeting of January 21st 1918 copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From J.W. Fugler, Building, Plumbing & Sanitary Inspector, reporting on the condition of the flooring of No. 2 Fire Hall, and recommending that ventilation be cut in at each side of the building and that a track be erected under the hose wagon, similar to the one at present under the chemical wagon, which would distribute the weight equally over the floor, at an approximate cost of \$20.00 providing the fire department does the work. Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the necessary material be purchased and the work done as outlined in above report.

From Commander Charles Unwin, RNR, HMS Niobe, stating that at the recent explosion at Halifax he had lost all his deeds of land and other records of property and requesting a list of whatever property he might have in North Vancouver. The Clerk was instructed to forward Commander Unwin a list of any property owned by him.

From the Wallace shipyards Ltd., being a list of residents employed at the Wallace Shipyards during December 1917, numbering 167 residents of the City and 25 residents of the North Shore outside the City. Referred to Industrial Committee.

From the City Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo, enclosing the following resolution with respect to fire insurance matters:
"BE IT RESOLVED that a humble petition be forwarded to the Premier, the Right Honourable Sir Robert L. Borden, asking him to take into consideration the advisability of appointing an Insurance Commission to investigate and control the insurance business of this Dominion along similar lines to the Railway Commission, and if possible, to introduce and effect such legislation as shall be necessary for the creation of such a commission".
Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Ferry Superintendent, T.M. Heard, being his report on the operation of the ferries for the year 1917. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the National Cash Register Company, Vancouver, Stating that they had taken up with this Council some time ago, the matter of a cash register system for the Collector's office and stating that they would be pleased to have an opportunity of again bringing this matter up for consideration. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From J.G. Farmer, inviting the City Council to arrange to meet the District Council for the purpose of discussing ferry matters, and requesting an appointment for this purpose. Referred to the Ferry Committee.

From the Hon. Chairman of the Vancouver Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, stating that during 1917 the Greater Vancouver Branch had disbursed \$922,357.38 while the contributions received from Greater Vancouver during that period only amounted to \$382,053.02, the average grant per family being \$20.85; also stating that it is anticipated that the disbursements for the current year will be in excess of \$1,000,000. and requesting the Council to make a grant to this fund, either in a lump sum or by way of monthly contribution.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Douglas W. Reeve with respect to water rates charged Cambourne Terrace, being Lot 27, Block 168, D.L. 274. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Secretary of the school Board, enclosing Financial Statement of the School Board for the year 1917, and a copy of the Auditor's report thereon.
Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Secretary of the School Board, requesting the Council to have the statement of receipts and expenditures of the School Board published in the City's Annual Statement in order to conform to Section 60 of the Public Schools Act.
Referred to Finance Committee.

The following notices of admission to the Vancouver General Hospital were reported by the Clerk:

Peter Hall, Sr.
Mrs. Eug. Minichelli
James Hand
Rena Blomberg
Nancy Porter

The above were referred to the Health Committee.

The Clerk also reported having received notice of admission of a patient to the Royal Columbian Hospital, but on investigation being made it could not be found that the party referred to was a resident of the City of North Vancouver; that the notice of admission had been returned to the Royal Columbian Hospital and the Secretary advised that no such party lives in the City.

Under the head of Inquiries, Alderman Barclay after drawing the attention of the Council to a statement in the public press that the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. is claiming that it is not legally organized, wished to know if some action could not be taken to recover the water front rights which had been secured by this Company.

The matter was referred to the City Solicitor to watch the proceedings of the Company.

The following tenders were received and opened, for supply four Collector's Rolls for the year 1918:

Clarke & Stuart Co. Ltd.	\$59.00
G.A. Roedde Ltd.	\$59.50

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above tender of Clarke & Stuart Co. Ltd., for supplying four Collector's Rolls for the year 1918, as per specifications, for the price of \$59.00 be accepted.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Board of Works, Waterworks, Parks and Boulevards, Health, Police and Fire and Light 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	\$1191.96
Board of Works	617.74
Waterworks	314.30
Parks & Boulevards	186.70
Parks & Boulevards (Health)	297.20
Parks & Boulevards (Police)	677.70
Fire & Light	735.50

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of January 24th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of January 24th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McBain, adopted.

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of January 24th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Clark, adopted.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of January 24th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Watson, adopted.

The Report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of January 24th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Barclay, adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of January 24th, 1918 was read. Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the second recommendation in the Committee's Minutes with respect to the promotion of Mr. Work in the Fire Department be amended to read:

“The Fire Chief also stated that in promoting Mr. Work, he is carrying out a promise made privately to the horse drivers in 1912” and the recommendation be amended to read:

“Recommend that Mr. Gardiner be given the position of Captain in the Fire Department, effective February 1st” and that the Minutes as amended be adopted.

MOTIONS

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Ferry Committee be appointed a Committee to wait upon the Finance Committee of the Council of the City of Vancouver, to ask exemption from taxes for the ferry wharves on the South shore.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Collector cause two or more checks to be made each month on the turnstiles, and reports thereon be submitted to the Council.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that a letter be sent to the Provincial Board of Health, stating that there are twelve (12) men working at the present time on the Lynn Watershed for Cedars Ltd., who have not been inoculated, and that as this is a Provincial Health District, we would ask that the law be enforced to protect our water supply against infection, and this Council recommends that all men be inoculated before going above the Intake, and submit their Certificate to the Government Inspector on the Works.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Bylaw, entitled “The North Vancouver Meat Market, Early Closing Bylaw, 1918” be now read a third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Secretary of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities requesting a reply to his letter of January 8th in which this Council asked for a copy of the Minutes of the late meetings of the Executive of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities in order that the Council may keep in touch with proposed amendments to the Municipal Act.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Engineer be instructed to report on the application of the Board of School Trustees for a street light to be placed at the corner of Keith Road and Chesterfield avenue.

Mayor Vance reported that he had been in touch with the Military Authorities with respect to the establishment of a military hospital or a military overflow hospital on the North Shore, but it had come to his knowledge that other sections of Greater Vancouver had been endeavoring to secure this hospital and he thought that the North Shore should have some consideration or recognition shown it, in this respect.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the clerk take this matter up with Major Harvey, and urge upon him the desirability of establishing an overflow military hospital on the North Shore and also request other bodies on the North Shore to take up this matter.

Mayor Vance suggested having the Health Officer report on the garbage which might be suitable for feeding hogs and at the present time may be going to waste from the drill hall, hospitals and hotels.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Health Officer be instructed to report to this Council on the garbage from the Drill Hall, Hospitals, Hotels and any other places where there might be a considerable amount of waste which might be suitable for feeding hogs.

Referring back to correspondence the Clerk reported have received a letter since Council meeting opened from the Employers Liability Corporation with respect to the public liability on the ferries, carried by the Company, in which they state that the company quoted a rate of 98 cents in good faith but that the tariff rate is now 1.25% and that it is impossible for the Company to carry the risk at the present rate owing to the action of some of the other Companies.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the above letter be laid on the table for later action.

At 9:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Council do now go into Committee of the Whole to consider various matters in connection with the ferries and that the Mayor act as Chairman of the Committee.

IN COMMITTEE

At 12:30 a.m. it was moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Clark and resolved that the council adjourn. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor