

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, DECEMBER 9th, 1918.

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

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended.

Whereupon a Committee consisting of Col. Dorrell, L. Watts Doney and David Todden, representatives from the North Shore Committee, Victory Loan, 1918, presented to the Council, the Honor Flag which had been forwarded to the North Shore Victory Loan Committee, for safe keeping, with the request that a suitable inscription be placed thereon, that it be framed and hung in the City Hall or other suitable place.

This flag was given by the Governor-General of Canada to North Vancouver Unit, comprising the City of North Vancouver, and the Districts of North and West Vancouver as an Honor Emblem for having exceeded its quota by over one hundred percent in the Victory Loan 1918. Amount asked \$300,000. Amount subscribed \$651,710.00. Mayor Vance received the flag on behalf of the Council and stated that it would be framed and placed in a suitable location.

Mr. Doney on behalf of the Committee, voiced the appreciation of the Committee for the services that Col. Dorrell had rendered during the campaign.

Alderman Watson Alderman McBain and Alderman Morden also spoke on behalf of the Council.

Col. Dorrell also requested that a Poster "Lest we Forget" be framed and hung in a conspicuous place, as a reminder of what the citizens who have remained at home, have done to assist the men at the front.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Council accept the custody of the Honor Flag and that a record be made on the Minutes of the presentation.

Whereupon the delegation withdrew.

The Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held November 25th, 1918 copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin, adopted.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of Council, held December 5th, 1918, were read.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Minutes of Adjourned Meeting be amended by adding the words "at a rate per day on the basis

of \$125.00 per month”, in the resolution Paragraph No. 11, page 539 of the Minute Book, and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From W. Clifford Smith, Secretary United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, Local 1777, with respect to fares charged on the ferries, stating that the members of the Union are strongly opposed to the present system of charging different fares on ferries, and requesting that a uniform rate of 5 cents per passenger be charged. Referred to Ferry Committee.

From the North Vancouver Land & Improvement Company with respect to the ditch on the South Side of the Esplanade, westerly from the corner of Lonsdale Avenue, also with respect to a portion of the roadway on the North Side of the Esplanade from Rogers Avenue Easterly and requesting that the above matters be attended to without further delay. Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer for a report.

From Mrs. Renworth, 1431 Williams Avenue, requesting that the sidewalk in front of the house be cleared and finished from the gate to the end of the Lot 6 of 7, Block 12. Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer for report.

From the City Treasurer, being a report on the fuel oil consumption on the ferries for the month of November 1918. Referred to Ferry Committee.

From J.R. Davison, Industrial Commissioner, enclosing copy of his last report to the City Industrial Committee. Referred to Industrial Committee.

From Gibbs Bros., 119-121 -1st Street East, calling attention to the condition of the sidewalk in front of the above address, as the planking is breaking away badly. Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer.

From J.T. Edmond, Ferry Superintendent, with respect to the increase applied for by the firemen on the ferries, stating that the Grand Trunk and CPR have increased oil burning firemen from \$75.00 to \$80.00 per month and 60 cents per hour overtime, which includes board, dating from November 1st. Referred to Motions.

From J.T. Edmond, Ferry Superintendent, reporting on the increase asked for by Mate W. Clark, who owing to the Winter schedule, has been reduced to the position of Deck hand, recommending that he be paid his regular salary as Mate. The Superintendent also reported that the Weigh Scale man, Mr. Candlin has also applied for an increase in salary, his present salary being \$50.00 per month. Referred to Motion stage.

From Mr. Lionel Richardson, 225 - 15th Street East, protesting against the action of the City Collector in turning off the water on account of arrears of water rates not having been paid.

The Clerk, on being requested as to the condition of matters at the present time, informed the Council that he understood the arrears have since been paid and the water turned on.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the letter be filed.

From the Secretary of the Board of Trade, recommending the appointment of a Fuel Commissioner for the City. Referred to Committee of the Whole Council and the Solicitor for report.

From the King Edward Sanatorium enclosing bill for maintenance of Mr. Fred Roe, during the months of September, October and November.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Police Department submit report as to wages earned; the members in the family and the length of residence.

From the President of the Board of Trade, stating that at a meeting of the Board of Trade, "it was unanimously resolved that the Mayor invite the City Council and Board of Trade of Vancouver to appoint delegates to meet with representatives of the City Council, representatives of the Councils of the Districts of North and West Vancouver, for the purpose of discussing the Ferry situation".

The letter was referred to the Committee of the Whole and the Clerk instructed to advise the President of the North Vancouver Board of Trade, that the subject matter contained in the letter will receive the very careful consideration of the Council.

From the City Solicitor advising that an action had been commenced by Mrs. Henrietta E. Eves, claiming damages against the City for entering the Plaintiff's land and digging and excavating and erecting timbers and braces and for an injunction preventing the continuance of such willful acts, and for mandamus compelling the removal of the timbers and braces.

The Solicitor advised that he has entered an appearance to the action on behalf of the City.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above matter be left in the hands of the City Solicitor to appear on behalf of the City.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, submitting an amended lease form the City to the Wm. Lyall Shipbuilding Company, the lease which had been passed by the Council and authorized to be executed having been altered in 2 minor respects by the Solicitor for the Lyall Shipbuilding Company and stating that the alterations are immaterial an advising the passing of a resolution authorizing the execution of the lease as submitted. Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the amended draft lease be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

The Report and recommendation by the Ferry Committee, on due accounts was submitted by the Acting Chairman and read to the meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the accounts to the following amount: Ferry - \$6,955.47.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of December 5th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of December 5th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of December 5th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin adopted.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of December 5th, 1918 was read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that in view of the fact that Mr. H.C. Wright, a pioneer resident and an ex-alderman of this City, is now on his way with his family, to take up his residence in New Zealand, his former home: THAT the Council in regular session assembled desires to avail itself of the opportunity to place on record its high estimate of the excellent qualities as a citizen uniformly displayed by Mr. Wright during his residence of seventeen years within the boundaries of this City, its sincere appreciation of the efficient and faithful services rendered by Mr. Wright, during the three years in which he sat as an Alderman of this City, also serving as Ferry Director for 2 years and as License Commissioner for 3 years, and its sense of pride in the fact that a citizen of Mr. Wright's standing should have joined the colors and spent upwards of two years in active service overseas in the great struggle which is now so fortunately ended.

AND FURTHER that this Council desires to convey to Mr. and Mrs. Wright and their family, its best wishes for their health, happiness and prosperity in resuming their residence in the home of their youth, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Wright.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque to the North Vancouver Red Cross Society in the amount of \$25.00 being a special grant.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. be requested to turn on the lights in the morning from 5:15 to 7:15 a.m. instead of 5:30 to 7:30 as at present.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the city Assessor be and he is hereby instructed to complete the Assessment Roll of the City of North Vancouver for the year 1919, and return same to the City Clerk on the 10th day of January 1919.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the firemen on the ferries be increased to \$100.00 per month and paid 50 cents per hour, overtime as from November 1st.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that Mate W. Clark be paid \$100.00 per month during the months of December, January and February, he being spare Mate but acting as deck hand.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the application of Mr. Candlin for an increase, be referred to the Ferry Committee.

The City Solicitor submitted drafts of proposed agreement between the City and the Vancouver Power Company, one having been prepared by the Solicitor of the Power Company, and the other having been prepared by himself, the main difference being in Section 1 in which in the draft submitted by the Company are the words "that failing to exercise the right to purchase within six months of the 16th day of August, 19125, then the right to purchase shall be deemed to be abandoned".

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Council approve of the draft agreement as presented by the City Solicitor which had been drafted by himself, and that the same be submitted to the Vancouver Power Company for approval, and that the Solicitor inform the Vancouver power Company, that the Council is prepared to submit this agreement to the Electors at the January elections, if the approval of the Company is received in sufficient time.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that in view of the advice of the City Solicitor that there is no authority to grant the Council of the District of North Vancouver, representation on the Ferry Committee, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the District Council be requested to submit a Bylaw to the Electors at the Municipal Elections to be held in January next, granting aid to the ferries to the extent of \$2500 owing to the fact that the residents of the District of North Vancouver receive the same accommodation as the residents of the City.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled the "North Vancouver Dog Kennel Regulation Bylaw, 1918" be now read a third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council.

At 10:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Council adjourn. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor