

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, DECEMBER 23rd, 1918, AT 8:00 P.M.

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

At 8:30 p.m. Alderman Barclay entered and took his seat.

The Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held December 16th, 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 Mrs. Renworthy of 1431 Williams Avenue, again requesting the Council to continue the sidewalk in front of her property and to clear the Boulevard. Referred to Board of Works Committee.

From Captain Gardiner, reporting that Hoseman H. Chapman had resigned from the Fire Department and that D.A. Peers, a returned soldier had been appointed to fill the vacancy. Referred to Fire and Light Committee.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended and that Doctors MacEachern and Mullen from the Vancouver General Hospital, be permitted to address the Council with respect to contagious diseases hospital.

Mayor Vance reported in this connection, having attended a meeting in Vancouver on December 20th, and a copy of the Minutes of the said Meeting was then read by the Clerk. Attached thereto was a letter from Dr. McEachern, dated December 17th, enclosing proposed Hospital extension scheme for Vancouver City and surrounding municipalities.

Dr. McEachern then briefly addressed the Council outlining the proposed installation of an infectious diseases hospital. Dr. Mullen also address the Council.

Dr. Newcombe, MHO, also addressed the Council and stated that he was heartily in accord with any scheme that could be properly worked out to look after contagious diseases, but that the compulsory taking of patients with contagious diseases to the hospital would be necessary in order that the scheme should be practical.

Dr. Mullen informed the Council that it was the intention to have the Government make it compulsory that all patients with contagious troubles, be taken to a hospital.

They requested that the Council request the Government to take the initiative in calling a meeting of representatives of Vancouver City and surrounding municipalities to deal with the contagious diseases hospital proposition, and possibly create Health Districts for infectious diseases.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that this matter be referred to the Local Board of Health.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the thanks of this Council be tendered to Drs. MacEachern, Mullen and Newcombe for waiting on the Council and discussing the question of infectious diseases hospital.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a delegation from the Board of Trade be heard.

The delegation consisted of the following: Messrs. Tullis, Gardiner, Crickmay and Philip, who all addressed the Council.

Mr. Gardiner dwelt at some length on ferry matters, and the Council was requested to reconsider its decision to lay over the matter of calling a meeting of representatives from Vancouver City Council and Board of Trade, and North Vancouver District Council, Board of Trade and West Vancouver Council, to consider ferry matters.

After considerable discussion the delegation was informed that the matter would be dealt with at the Motion Stage.

Re Memorial to Government with respect to amending the Harbour Commissioners act. President Tullis stated that the feeling of the Board of Trade was that a joint Memorial should have been forwarded to the Government rather than one from the Council, and endorsed by the different bodies, but upon being informed that the Memorial had already been forwarded from the Council, he stated that the Board of Trade would endorse the same and forward it to the proper department.

From J.G. Farmer, Clerk of the District of North Vancouver, forwarding copy of resolution passed by the District Council, at a meeting held December 19th viz, "Resolved that this Council adhere to the suggestion already made to the representatives of the City Council at our recent joint meeting, namely: That we will be content with a representative sitting with the Ferry Committee in an advisory capacity, his vote not to be recorded in the Committee's Minutes, but to be reported back to the City Council with any recommendation of the Committee".

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Lieut. George S. Hanes, dated Mons, Belgium, November 20th, enclosing Christmas card with best wishes to Mayor Vance and members of the City Council.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the letter and card be received and the Clerk ad to forward a suitable acknowledgement.

From the Officer Commanding and Officers of No. 11 Engineers Depot, North Vancouver, with best wishes to the Mayor and Council for a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above card be received with thanks, and the Clerk authorized to forward a suitable acknowledgement.

From the Vancouver General Hospital, being notice of admission of Frank Adams, 325 - 22nd Street West, also W.R. Sherroff, 221 - 23rd Street West.

Referred to the Health Committee and the Clerk was instructed to have the Police report on the above.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, stating that a number of Ferry accounts had become considerably in arrears, but that he had collected all those whole balances extended back beyond November, with the exception of the Eagle Harbour Packing Company and the Daily News Advertiser, the Eagle Harbor Packing Company's Account amounting to \$100.66.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to adjust the account of the Eagle Harbor Packing Company, be contra account.

From Geo. Campbell, Secretary Board of School Trustees, dated December 23rd, with respect to difference between the figures given in the City's 1917 Financial Statement, and the records of the School Board, amounting to \$600.00 and stating that it would be a satisfactory method of adjustment to the Board, if the amount in question is transferred from the "School Trustees Revenue account" to the "School Trustees Extraordinary Expenditure Account", also requesting that such further sum as may be found available from the unexpended balance, in relation to the ordinary estimates for the present year, and from the unclaimed rebate on school taxes, be likewise transferred in order that it may be permissible to apply the same to capital outlay. Referred to the Finance Committee and the Solicitor for his opinion in connection therewith.

From A. Fusser, Secretary, Local Lodge 194, Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders, drawing attention to the poor car service at night in North Vancouver, for men working in Wallace Shipyards on the night shift, also drawing attention to the disgraceful condition of the toilets at the Vancouver side of the ferries.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the portion of the letter with reference to the unsatisfactory car service, be referred to the B.C. Electric Railway Co. and the complaint with respect to the condition of the toilets, be referred to the Ferry Committee.

From Mayor Gale, Vancouver forwarding copy of resolution passed at a meeting of representatives of the various organizations of the City of Vancouver, held November 28th, to consider the matter of dealing with reconstruction problems, viz:

"That a Committee be appointed consisting of representatives of each and every interest in the City of Vancouver, said representatives to be appointed by the respective organizations for the purpose of dealing with "Reconstruction" problems. That the communities of the Province be requested to take similar action and that in due course a convention consisting of representatives of the Committees of the various communities, be called at a time and place to be decided by the said various committees.

That the first duty of the said Committee shall be to coordinate the various forces in their respective communities, and so equip themselves as to be in the best possible position to render assistance to official "Reconstruction" committees appointed, or that may be appointed by the Provincial or Federal Governments" and strongly urging that immediate action be taken in this regard.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From J. Garvie, 328 - 17th Street West, applying to have a crossing over the road in front of his house as there is no sidewalk.

Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer for report.

At 10:10 p.m. Alderman Clark requested permission to retire from the meeting.

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

Finance	\$1592.50	
Finance (Fixed charges)	\$18113.91	\$19,706.41
Finance (School)		\$4,525.59
Board of Works		\$176.50
Waterworks		\$265.00
Fire & Light		\$925.01
Parks & Boulevards		\$108.03
Parks & Boulevards (Health)		\$257.50
Parks & Boulevards (Police)		\$777.50

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of December 19th, 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 19th, 1918, was read.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that the last recommendation viz, "That Mr. Larsen's offer be submitted to the ratepayers" be referred back to the Committee of the Whole and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved:

THAT the time and place for holding nominations of Candidates for Mayor, Aldermen, School Trustees and Police Commissioners, of the City of North Vancouver, for the year 191, shall be in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday the 13th day of January 1919, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 2 o'clock P.M.

THAT the Returning Officer for the Municipal elections for the year 1919, shall be R.F. Archibald,

That the place at which a poll will be opened in the Municipality of the City of North Vancouver, shall be at 113 First Street east,

THAT the Deputy Returning Officers who will preside at the respective booths, shall be William Morden; C. Talbot Haslam; James L. Dodds and Reginald C. Lawrence.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin that the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole of December 12th, 1918, namely "That the president of the Board of Trade be advised that the Council considers it too late in the year to call a meeting of representatives of the Vancouver City Council and Board of Trade, and

representatives from the Council of the City of North Vancouver and the Districts of North and West Vancouver and North Vancouver Board of Trade, for the purpose of discussing the ferry situation” which was adopted by the Council on December 16, 1918, be reconsidered.

A vote was taken resulting as follows:

For the Motion: Alderman McBain and Alderman Irwin.

Against the Motion: Alderman Barclay Alderman Morden and Alderman Watson.

The Mayor declared the motion lost.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the matter of calling a joint meeting of representatives of the Vancouver City Council and Board of Trade, and the City Council of North Vancouver, Districts of North and West Vancouver, and N.V. Board of Trade, be referred to the incoming Council with a recommendation that the matter be taken up at the earliest date possible.

At 11:00 it was moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the time of this meeting be extended.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Superintendent be authorized to sell two vacuum cleaners at the price of \$50.00 each, if possible.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Barclay and resolved that the Chronometer at the ferry office, be offered for sale at \$150.00 net to the City.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman McBain and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1918, No. 2” and that the said bylaw be given three several readings at this meeting, 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 a first time.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1918, No. 2” be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Committee proceedings in connection with the “City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1918, No. 2” be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman McBain seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1918, No. 2” be now read a third time.

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

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled “Esplanade

Local Improvement Temporary Loan Bylaw, 1918” and that the said Bylaw be given three several readings at this meeting, 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 a first time.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “Esplanade Local Improvement Temporary Loan Bylaw, 1918” be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Barclay seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Committee Proceedings in connection with the “Esplanade Local Improvement Temporary Loan Bylaw, 1918” be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “Esplanade Local Improvement Temporary Loan Bylaw, 1918” be now read a third time. Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council.

At 9:15 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the City Hall on Thursday, December 26th, 1918 at 9 o'clock p.m.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor