

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, MAY 12th, 1919, AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Vance
Alderman Evans
Alderman T. Irwin
Alderman W.J. Irwin
Alderman Morden
Alderman Townsley
Alderman Watson

The Minutes of regular meeting held May 5th, 1919, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman W.J... Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar, County Court Vancouver, being receipt of registration of the "North Vancouver Cemetery Amendment Bylaw, 1919" number 409. Ordered filed.

From D. Gardiner, Captain of the Fire Department, being report for the month of April 1919, of fires with risks, insurance and losses. Total loss \$3.00.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report be received and filed.

From T.R. Clark, making application for reconveyance from the Corporation to himself of the southerly 10 feet of Lot 21, Block 125, DL 274, as the procedure for the widening of 4th Street has been discontinued.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole and the Solicitor.

From J.G. Farmer, advising that the District council has received complaints with respect to the state of the sidewalk on Sutherland Avenue, also stating that the District council is willing to bear 50% of the cost for putting this sidewalk into a reasonable state of repair.

Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer.

From J.G. Farmer, advising that Reeve Bridgman, Councillor J. Loutet and Councillor D. MacLurg, have been appointed by the District Council as Committee for the launching of a campaign with a view to obtaining an appropriation for the immediate commencement of the construction of the Second Narrows Bridge.

Also that the District Council is prepared to finance the expense to the extent of \$220.00. Ordered received and filed.

From J.G. Farmer advising that at a special meeting of the District council Reeve Bridgman and Councillor Loutet were appointed as delegates from the District Council to go to Ottawa, in connection with the appropriation for Vancouver Harbor development. Laid on the table.

From J.G. Farmer, advising that the matter of appoint a Committee from the District Council, in connection with the Convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities will be taken up at the regular meeting of Council, to be held on the 21st instant. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Ewart Adamson, Manager Campaign Committee re Second Narrows Bridge, bringing to the attention of the Council, the matter of sending a delegate to Ottawa to place forcibly before the Cabinet the claims of Burrard Inlet in the development of the Port of Vancouver, and to insist on the Bridge being incorporated in the first unit of said development. Laid on the table.

From Jack Loutet & Company requesting to have an opportunity of quoting rates, should the City wish to insure the new motor truck. Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

From J.R. Davison, Publicity Commissioner, Vancouver, being copy of his report under date May 7th to the Industries Committee of the Vancouver Council. Referred to Industrial Committee.

From the Board of Police Commissioners, enclosing report of the Police Department on the street lights for the month of April 1919. Referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

From M.J. Crehan, dated May 10th being a report on the receipt which is being furnished ratepayers by the City. Referred to Finance Committee.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, dated May 12th, giving his opinion of the receipt furnished by the City for monies received. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From M.J. Crehan, dated May 10th being a report of the work completed by him up to May 10th 1919. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Vancouver General Hospital being notice of admission of Colin J. McDonald, also a report from the Police Department that Mr. McDonald will be able to meet any expenses incurred. The Clerk was instructed to notify the Hospital accordingly and file the notice.

From the Inspector of Municipalities, dated April 29th, calling attention to the procedure to be taken in recent amendments to the Municipal Act, for disposing of tax sale lands. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From T.S. brown, Secretary Association Fathers, Sons & Brothers, containing copy of resolution urging the City Council to honour its obligation to re-instate Mr. Haslam in his position as City Assessor. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Comptroller-General, Victoria, enclosing account for maintenance of two Inmates of the Provincial Home from April 1st 1918 to March 31st 1919, amounting to \$349.03 and requesting that a cheque be forwarded to the Deputy Minister of Finance in due course. Referred to the Finance Committee and the Clerk for a report.

From the City Clerk drawing attention to the necessity of appointing a Committee to cooperate in making the necessary arrangements for the meetings of the Convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities to be held in North Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that Mayor Vance, Alderman W.J. Irwin and Alderman Townsley be appointed a Committee from this Council.

From F.B. Steer, North Lonsdale, notifying the Council of an accident to his wife on Saturday May 3rd by reason of defective sidewalks. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, being a report on the fuel consumption during the month of April 1919. Cost for No. 2 \$1,561.55; No. 3 \$1,945.71. Referred to the Ferry Committee.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, stating that the audit of the books is completed, and that he is arranging the different sets of information in statement form, also that he expects the Auditor on Wednesday to check statements with the Ledgers. Referred to Finance Committee.

From the Assistant Secretary of the Union of Canadian Municipalities, advising that the annual convention will be held in the City of Kingston on August 12, 13 and 14th. Ordered received and filed.

From the Paine Hardware Ltd., stating that they are contemplating a free air service station, and requesting permission for so doing.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the request of the Paine Hardware Co. Ltd., for permission to install a free air service station, be granted, subject to the approval of the Engineer.

From the Red Cross Society, North Vancouver Branch, enclosing copy of Financial statement for the year 1917-1918, also semi-annual statement as presented at their April meeting, and also thanking the Council for the generous grant made to the Red Cross Society for the current year. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

Tenders were received from Nicholson's Ltd., and the Business Systems of Toronto, for supplying freight bills.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the tender of Nicholson's Ltd., for supplying 15,000 quadruple forms, two on, at the price of \$235.50 be and is hereby accepted.

The Report of the Ferry Committee, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 7th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley adopted.

The Report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 7th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley adopted.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 7th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 7th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's minutes of May 7th, 1919, was read.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson that the Minute with respect to inviting a deputation from the GWVA be amended by deleting the words "of appointing Mr. Haslam to a position in the City employ" and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted. Carried.

Alderman W.J. Irwin reported for the Committee appointed with respect to campaign for construction of the Second Narrows Bridge, that Major Adamson had been appointed Manager of the campaign and Mr. G.H. Morden, Chairman; and that a Public meeting is being held in the K.P.Hall on the evening of May 13th.

Mayor Vance reported having attended several joint meetings in Vancouver, and that last week the various Public bodies had decided to send delegates to Ottawa, but on the 10th instant, they had received word from Ottawa that the Government was appropriating Five Million Dollars for developing Kitsilano and that Vancouver apparently was satisfied with the deal.

Mr. G.H. Morden from the Board of Trade was present and urged the sending of two delegates from North Vancouver City.

Mr. Perry from the Board of Trade was also present in support of Mr. Morden's contention.

Major Adamson, Campaign Manager was present, and also urged the sending of delegates to Ottawa.

Mr. Orchard was present, and addressed the Council on behalf of Labor, stating that personally he had been out of work for nine weeks and unless something was done to provide work, there would be trouble as the labouring men do not propose allowing their families to starve.

The members of the Council expressed their views in connection with Bridge matters and the sending of delegates to Ottawa.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman T. Irwin that this Council when it adjourns, adjourn to meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday night, to consider the request touching the matter of sending delegates to Ottawa re furthering the construction of the Second Narrows Bridge and other matters.

An amendment was offered:

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans that if a Public meeting to be held on May 13th so decides, that this Council authorize the sending of two delegates to Ottawa, one to be Mayor Vance and the other delegate to be recommended by the Board of Trade, with respect to the Second Narrows Bridge and other matters.

A vote was taken:

For the Amendment: Alderman W.J. Irwin , Alderman Watson, Alderman Townsley and Mayor Vance.

For the Motion: Alderman Morden and Alderman T. Irwin.

The Amendment was declared carried and the motion lost.

Mr. G.H. Morden, on behalf of the delegation from the Board of Trade, thanked the Council for consideration given the delegation.

Alderman W.J. Irwin wished a special note to be made in the Minutes with respect to the purchase of Motor Truck authorized by the Council on the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole Council, that the price of \$6300.00 does not include an extra set of tries and that the Canadian Fairbanks Morse Company agrees to furnish an extra set of tires at the price of \$700.00 unless prices advance in the meantime, in which case the City is to pay the extra cost, or if the price of tries decreases, the City to benefit by such drop in price; purchase price to be half cash in 30 days, any unpaid balance remaining at the end of 60 days to bear interest at 6% per annum.

Mr. Henderson, representative of the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Company Limited, verbally confirmed the above.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque on Ferry Account in the amount of \$3200.00 as soon as the Bank account will admit of so doing, said amount having been a loan to the Ferries account from the City Account.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer submit a report on different Bylaws bearing on ferry matters.

At 10:45 it was moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the time of this meeting of Council, be extended.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Alderman Bruce Watson gave the following Notice of Motion:

NOTICE is hereby given that I will, at the next regular meeting of the Council, introduce a Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 308, entitled "The Procedure Bylaw, 1914" in the following manner, namely, by amending Section 2 of the said Bylaw so that meetings of the Council shall be held twice each month.

BYLAWS

The Clerk reported that another subsection to Section 6 of the Consolidation Bylaw, had been forwarded to Mr. Baird, Inspector of Municipalities for his approval, which if approved should be incorporated in the Tax Consolidation Bylaw, to make provision so that any person in arrear only for the year 1918, can pay such taxes in full, together with interest thereon, and the Collector to be authorized to accept same without requiring the 1919 taxes to be paid.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that such subsection 4 of Section 6 be approved by the Council providing it is OK'd by Mr. Baird.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that Section 6, subsection (1) of the Tax Consolidation Bylaw, be amended by the addition of the words "to the 15th day of September" in the second line of Page 3, after the words "capital sum" and immediately before the word "computed".

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the resignation of Acting City Engineer Clucas, be accepted to take effect May 31st, he to be relieved of his duties on May 17th in order to take his annual holidays.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the Mayor and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to issue a cheque to Mr. A.R. Clucas, in the amount of \$231.00 being salary to the end of May and \$77.00 additional as appreciation from the Council for the services rendered by Mr. Clucas.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a letter of appreciation for the services rendered the City by Mr. Clucas be prepared and submitted to Council at next meeting.

Mr. Kyle being present, Alderman Morden inquired if it would be possible to engage the services of Mr. Haslam for the purpose of making searches in the Land Registry Office. Mr. Kyle stated that he would make inquiries in the Land Registry Office to see if Mr. Haslam would be permitted to make searches on behalf of the City.

At 11:10 p.m. it was moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that this Council now adjourn until Wednesday evening, May 14th at 8:30 p.m. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: Acting Mayor Bruce Watson