

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, AUGUST 18th, 1919.

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 of Council, held August 4th, 1919, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin adopted.

The Minutes of adjourned meeting of Council, held on August 11th, 1919, copies of which have been supplied each of the Aldermen were taken as read and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, being a report on the fuel consumed during the month of July. Referred to Ferry Committee.

From Capt. D. Gardiner, being a monthly report of the Fires with Risks Insurance and Losses for the month of July. Ordered filed.

From R.N. Hope, requesting permission to place an advertising sign on one of the North Vancouver Ferry Gates between the 22nd and 27th instants.
Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the request be not granted.

From D.J. Telfer applying for permission to cut Cedar on No. 856 and 857.
Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above request be not granted.

From H.E. Beetlestone, acknowledging with thanks receipt of cheque from the City of \$75.00; also cheque for \$10.00 being Second prize for Float in the Peace Celebration parade. Ordered filed.

From George Campbell, Secretary of the Board of School Trustees, requesting that the Engineer's Department carry out some necessary repairs to the roadway fronting on Queen Mary's School, the cost to be charged as a school expense.
Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the above request of the Board of School Trustees be granted, and that the Engineer's Department be authorized to carry out the required repairs to the roadway fronting on Queen Mary's School, within the school property, cost to be charged to school expense, and that the Engineer endeavor to have the work done as early as possible before school opens.

From W.T. Graham enclosing sketch of modified plan of alteration for the Janitor's house. The Building Inspector having estimated the cost of same at approximately 450.00.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the required alterations to the Janitor's house be made at a cost of not to exceed \$50.00.

From J.G. Farmer, advising that the District Council has confirmed the position outlined in his letter of July 31st, with respect to the City Fire Department, responding to Fire Calls from the District.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above letter be referred back to the District so that a clear understanding may be had, whether the Department is to respond to calls promptly or are said calls to be referred back to the District before being responded to.

From Mrs. Gillam, Secretary, VON, requesting permission to tag on the streets and on Ferries in aid of the funds of the Victorian Order of Nurses on September 6th.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Victorian Order of Nurses be granted permission to tag on the streets and on the Ferries on September 6th in aid of funds of same organization.

From Henry Birks & Sons, suggesting that if the Council should be donating a cup for the Labor Day Sports, that advantage be taken of their large stock of the most modern designs.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above letter be field.

From W.J. Van Dusen, District Forester, Vancouver, stating that the charge of \$200.00 for the services of the Fire Department on July 22nd, is out of all proportion to the expense actually incurred by the City, and requesting that the account be reconsidered and reduced to cover the actual expense incurred by the City.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the District Forester pointing out the menace to the City of the sawdust heap at Moodyville and that the work was performed at less than actual cost to the City and stating that if they wish an account at actual cost the City will be pleased to furnish same.

From A.W. Gray, Secretary, Union of British Columbia Municipalities, advising that the Annual Convention will be held in the City of North Vancouver, September 16th, 17th and 18th. The Clerk reported having received a telephone message from Councillor Loutet, Vice President of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities stating that the above dates had been changed to October 7th, 8th and 9th.

Referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

From Philip Branca applying for permission to hold a picnic in Mahon Park on August 24th. (The Venice Society).

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above request be granted. Alderman Morden voting against.

From H.P. Thompson, Treasurer, VON, acknowledging receipt of cheque for \$125.00 and stating that the Committee will be pleased to receive the remainder of this year's grant as soon as possible. Filed.

From J.G. Farmer, acknowledging receipt of accounts in connection with Peace Celebration on the 19th of July and stating that same has been referred to the Finance Committee. Filed.

From Chas. McWilliam, 314-26th Street, East, applying for a better water service; also applying for a sidewalk. Referred to Waterworks Committee, Board of Works Committee and the Engineer for report.

From F.N. Turner, 323-26th Street, East, complaining of the water service. Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Waterworks Committee and the Engineer with power to act.

From Mrs. James McEwen, 615-24th Street, West, applying for a sidewalk and stating that a sidewalk for their accommodation had been passed four and a half years ago. Referred to the Board of Works Committee and the Engineer.

From the Vancouver General Hospital being notice of admission of Victor Fairweather; also report from the Police Department stating that the account for same has been paid by the patient. Ordered filed.

From Wrigley Directories, Limited, forwarding on approval a copy of the 1919, BC Directory; also enclosing account for \$10.00 for same. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Mrs. Baxter enclosing Form of Admission to the Tranquille Sanitorium for a Mr. Peacock, who resides with his sister Mrs. Sarup 120-17th Street, West, and stating that the patient has sufficient money to pay his maintenance for about six months after which he would be a charge on the City.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Medical Health Officer report on the above application and that full particulars be obtained that in the event of it being found expedient and necessary to do same, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to sign the admission form to King Edward Sanitorium.

From A.C. Sutton enclosing lease in duplicate from the CPR, of the Vancouver Ferry Terminal for signature and stating that in his opinion the Draft Lease is in order and may be executed by the City.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a certain lease dated the 30th day of March 1919, between the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the City for the Vancouver Ferry Terminal be approved and that the Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to sign the same on behalf of the City, and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

From Provincial Secretary, enclosing Certified copy of Order In Council No. 1106, providing for a loan, not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$25,000.00 to the City of North Vancouver under the "Better Housing Act".

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that all necessary steps be taken to further the "Better Housing Matter", in order to start work at the earliest date possible.

From City Clerk, drawing attention to the necessity of having the Assessment Roll prepared.

Referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Minimum Wage Board, being a copy of the regulations with respect to female help which became effective on August 16th. Referred to Ferry Committee.

From Burrard Saw Mills Limited, advising that they are in a position to begin cutting sidewalk plank and finishing some time between the 15th and 20th of September. Referred to the Board of Works.

From Geoffrey L. Edwards and seven others drawing attention to the condition of the roadway on 19th Street between the Boulevards and Moody Avenue; also drawing attention to the B.C. Electric Railway Co. crossing on 19th Street and the Boulevards. Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, enclosing Comparative Statement for the first six months of this year showing a loss of \$16,811.03 on operation of the Ferries for the first half of 1919 after making provision for depreciation and interest and sinking fund. Received and filed.

From A.E. Forman, Public Works Engineer advising that the Provincial Government is prepared to participate with the Councils of the City and District in connection with the paving of Esplanade, Forbes Avenue, Keith Road, etc. including the preparation of the sub-grade on a 50/50 basis. Ordered filed.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended in order to take up some Ferry matters with the Superintendent, whereupon Mr. Edmonds stated that the waiting room and toilet on the West Vancouver Ferry portion of the Dock is in bad condition and the Sanitary Inspector of Vancouver had notified him that proper attention must be given.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that in view of the lease from this City to the West Vancouver Municipality that this City assumes no responsibility for keeping toilets and waiting rooms clean and that the Superintendent notify the Vancouver Health Authorities and the West Vancouver Council accordingly.

The Superintendent requested the services of the Police at the Ferry Wharf at 5 p.m. boat as workmen were opening the gates and rushing on the boats before the incoming passengers are clear of the boat.

The Clerk was instructed to notify the Police Department.

Supt. Edmonds also wished to know about holidays for Mr. Harvey of the shore staff. Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that Mr. Harvey be notified that holidays are not granted City Daily Employees.

The Superintendent drew attention to the boxes and other unsightly matter at the rear of the fruit store on the Vancouver Terminal and was instructed to notify the Lessee that the premises must be kept in a sanitary condition.

Mr. Kyle, City Collector was present and requested permission to advertise the expiry of the water rebate period and the percentage addition period of taxes in two issues of the North Shore Press and five or six issues of two Vancouver Daily papers.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the Collector be authorized to advertise accordingly in two issues of the North Shore Press and five or six issues of two Vancouver Daily papers.

Mr. Kyle also requested authority to retain the services of Miss Teskey during the remainder of the present month.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the matter of retaining additional help in the Collector's Office be left with the Mayor and Chairman of Finance Committee with power to act.

INQUIRIES

Alderman Morden requested a statement from the Treasurer of the total amount of Taxes received this year to date from the Collector.

DUE ACCOUNTS

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Fire and Light, Waterworks and Parks, 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	\$997.60
School	\$1692.69
Ferry	\$5979.97
Ferry	\$595.22
Board of Works	\$2711.33
Fire and Light	\$721.64
Waterworks	\$301.65
Health	\$140.93
Parks	\$34.14
Police	\$512.45

The report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of August 11th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

The report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of August 11th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of August 11th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Watson, adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of August 11th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman Morden, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of August 11th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Morden, adopted.

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of August 11th, 1919 was read and on motion of Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

Mayor Vance reported that arrangements had practically been completed to secure sidewalk lumber from Mr. Walsh, when a letter was received from the Burrard Saw Mills Limited, stating that they could supply said lumber under their tender between the 15th and the 20th of September and it was thought advisable under the circumstances to have them carry out their tender.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above report be received and adopted.

Mayor Vance reported that the Columbia Bitulithic Limited contract had been signed by the Columbia Bithulithic Limited and also by the Mayor and Clerk on behalf of the City.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above report be received and adopted.

Mayor Vance reported that the Prince of Wales is expected to arrive in Vancouver on September 22nd, coming to North Vancouver on the forenoon of the 23rd of September.

Alderman W.J. Irwin, Alderman T. Irwin and Alderman Townsley complimented the Engineer for experimenting on the Block on the East side of Lonsdale between 2nd and 3rd Streets, with respect to placing Tarvia on new Macadam.

Alderman Evans drew attention of the Engineer to a dangerous culvert on 27th and Lonsdale.

The Clerk submitted a report from the Police Department on blasting at the corner of 23rd and Mahon Avenue, that blasting has been done by J. Harrington and Younghusband and that no permit for blasting has been taken out. The Clerk was instructed to notify the above parties that no blasting is permitted in the City without first securing a permit.

The Clerk reported that copies of the proceedings of the Public Utilities Commission regarding B.C. Electric INQUIRY UP TO THE 18TH INSTANT, WOULD COST \$29.70 AND IT WAS DECIDED NOT TO PROCURE COPIES.

The Clerk reported with respect to Local Improvement Work on Ridgeway Avenue, that after taking the matter up with Mr. Baird the Municipal Inspector by long distance, the work cannot be proceeded with as a local improvement charging the cost on the non-abutting land as proposed; that the Inspector is not aware of any Section under which said work can be authorized.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Engineer's recommendation with respect to closing down the Quarry be adopted, and that the local Improvement work on Ridgeway Avenue, Mahon Avenue and 13th Street be abandoned for this year.

The Solicitor reported with respect to the proposed agreement from the B.C. Electric Railway Co. for lighting the Vancouver City Terminals, that in so far as the legal effect is concerned it is in proper form providing that the rates are correct.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above agreement be referred to the Treasurer and the Superintendent for report.

From C.R. Lane, reporting in connection with Local Improvement charge on Lot 1, Block 158, DL 271. Referred to the Solicitor.

REPORTS

Alderman W.J. Irwin drew attention to the necessity of forwarding any recommendations from this Council to be dealt with at the Union of Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

Alderman Morden drew attention of the Engineering Department to the bracken surrounding Queen Mary School also to thistles, etc. on 4th Street.

Alderman Morden also is a member of the Parks Committee and he drew attention to the fact that a number of trees in the nursery need removing.

Alderman W.J. Irwin suggested the advisability of Joint Committees taking up with the PGE and the Provincial Government the matter of providing additional Ferry accommodation to look after the vehicle traffic during rush hours.

Alderman Evans drew attention to certain passing automobiles exceeding the speed limit in the City and also passing Street Cars while stopping to take on or let off passengers and the Clerk was instructed to have a report furnished on the speed limit, etc.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Mayor and Chairman of Finance Committee report on the necessity of providing additional temporary help in the Treasurer's office in order to bring the work of the Department up to date.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that whereas the Council deems it advisable to forthwith transfer the Bank Account of North Vancouver City Ferries to the Royal Bank of Canada (North Vancouver Branch)

therefore be it resolved that said Bank Account be done with the Royal Bank of Canada (North Vancouver Branch) as and from the 31st of August 1919. Be it further resolved that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to forthwith transfer from the Bank of Hamilton to the Royal Bank of Canada (North Vancouver Branch) all City Ferry accounts and all monies the property of the City of North Vancouver on Deposit or held by said Bank of Hamilton, to the said Royal Bank of Canada.

At 10:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that this meeting of Council do now adjourn.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor