

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 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 September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From W.H. Roberts, Secretary Treasurer, Imperial Veterans in Canada stating that Mayor Gale of Vancouver has allocated October 11<sup>th</sup> as Tag Day in Vancouver, in aid of Imperial Veterans in Canada, and requesting permission to tag in North Vancouver on the same date.

Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above request be granted.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, being report of the receipts fro the month of August 1919, amounting to \$21,330.65, an increase of \$2,075.71 over the corresponding month of 1918, also statement of disbursements including proportion of insurance, repairs, depreciation, interest and sinking funds, being a total of \$16,076.58. Excess of receipts over expenses \$5,254.07.

The Clerk was instructed to furnish each of the Aldermen with a copy of the above and file the report.

From M.J. Crehan, City Auditor dated September 13<sup>th</sup>, being a progressive report of audit for this year.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Geo. W. Campbell, Secretary, Board of School Trustees, stating that in view of the fact that the Queen Mary School is now in Session, and the season therefore not the most suitable to proceed with the repairs to the roadway fronting Queen Mary School, the Board has resolved that operations be deferred until next year. Filed.

From James T. Pirlle, Secretary Board of Managers St. Stephen's church, drawing attention to the necessity of having Chesterfield Avenue from 27<sup>th</sup> Street to the City Limits, made safe for pedestrians.

Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer.

From J.W. Fugler, requesting the Council to authorize the transfer of one double set of harness belonging to the Fire Department, for use of the Board of Health team.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the oldest double set of harness, belonging to the Fire Department, be transferred for use of the Board of Health Department if suitable.

From the Wallace Shipyards Ltd. being list of men employed at the Wallace Shipyards, 350 residents of the City, 20 residents of the District and 8 residents of West Vancouver. Filed.

From Wm. Lyall Shipbuilding Company Ltd., being list of employees resident in North Vancouver, total 135.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole and the Clerk to check up the list.

From the Post Office Inspector's Department, complaining of late delivery of the mail leaving Vancouver at 7 a.m. on the 28<sup>th</sup> August last, stating that this mail did not reach the North Vancouver Post Office until 8 a.m. on that date.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Donald Smith, Solicitor, Vancouver, giving formal notice that Mr. Hermann Denham Boulger, 149 First Street East, North Vancouver holds the City responsible for compensation or damages for injury to his son on September 6<sup>th</sup> by an auto truck, at the entrance to the North Vancouver Ferry wharf.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above communication be referred to the Solicitor and the Police Department and the Ferry superintendent instructed to submit a report in connection with said accident.

From the City Clerk, drawing attention to the fact that four instalments of \$590.00 each are due under the Rice Lake Lands Settlement, and that Mr. Perry of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. has been telephoning in connection with overdue payments. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Lonsdale Estate, dated September 9<sup>th</sup>, stating that the Lonsdale Estate has no objection to the closing of the following property:

Bounded on the south by the North Boundary of Third Street and Cotton Avenue; on the east by the East Boundary of DL 272; on the west by the West Boundary of Kennard Avenue; on the north by the South Boundary of Haywood Street and Keith Road.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From J.G. Farmer, CMC, advising that the District Council is willing to pay Mr. H.D. Green Armytage \$50.00 being one half the proposed payment of \$100.00 upon Mr. Armytage releasing the City and District from any claims for past or future damage to his property by overflow.

Referred to Motions.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, re charges for admittance to Mahon Park, stating that in his opinion the Council has authority to charge admission from persons entering Mahon Park. Filed.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, dated September 8<sup>th</sup>, with reference to the issue of debentures under the "Better Housing Act".  
Referred to Motions.

From A.M. West, City Engineer, requesting to have one week's holiday, commencing Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>.  
Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above request be granted.

From M.J. Crehan, stating that in his opinion the United States Fidelity and Guarantee Company is financially sound, the Columbia Bitulithic Ltd., having submitted Bond signed by that Company, for the due performance of the heard-surfacing work on Esplanade, Forbes, Third, Bewicke and Keith Road.  
Referred to the Solicitor to see if the Bond is in proper form.

From James Hedley, 1427 - 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Mahon complaining at not being given work in the City, by the Engineer.  
Referred to the Clerk to get in touch with Mr. Hedley and advise him that Alderman Watson can secure work for him.

From E.G. R0, Minister of St. Stephen's Church, containing copy of resolution passed by the Congregation of St. Stephen's Church, protesting against the holding of public picnics in Mahon Park on Sunday.  
Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that a similar reply be forwarded to Mr. Robb, as was sent St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and the Methodist Church.

From the City Clerk, enclosing report of the Police Department on the street lights for the month of July and August.  
Referred to the City Treasurer to check up the accounts.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, enclosing proposed form of Mortgage under "Better Housing act", and suggesting that it be submitted to the Department at Victoria, for confirmation  
Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above communication and draft form of Mortgage, be received and copy forwarded to the proper department at Victoria as recommended by the City Solicitor.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, re special assessment T. Hutchinson, stating that under the 1916 amendment to the Local Improvement Act, subsection 4 of Section 9, relief may be granted Mr. Hutchinson providing there has been a manifest error made in the original assessment roll.  
Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Engineer submit a report in accordance with advice of the City Solicitor.

From the Department of Public Printing, Ottawa, advising that the City's subscription for the "Canada Gazette" expired on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1919. Annual subscription \$4.00.  
Moved by Alderman Morden seconded Alderman Watson and resolved that the City's subscription to the "Canada Gazette" be renewed for one year.

The Clerk stated that the "Canada Gazette" was of service in the Police Department as well as for filing purposes in the City.

### INQUIRIES

Alderman Watson wished to know how it is that Mr. Docherty, assistant in the Collector's office is being paid \$125.00 per month, while before he was let out to permit of Mr. Allen resuming his duties, Mr. Docherty was only paid at the rate of \$100.00 per month.

Mayor Vance stated that on the resignation of Mr. Allen, Mr. Haslam had been appointed Assistant in the Collector's Office at a salary of \$125.00, that he had been given eight months leave of absence by the Council, and on re-engaging Mr. Docherty it was considered by the Committee to whom the matter had been referred, that Mr. Docherty now being a temporary appointee, should receive the same amount as had been agreed to pay Mr. Haslam.

Alderman T. Irwin stated that the increase had been given Mr. Haslam owing to the peculiar circumstances in connection with his case.

### TENDERS

A tender was received from S.E. Buell for supplying 500 lbs of four inch nails. The Clerk stated that Mr. Douglas had requested the Hardware merchants to submit tenders for nails for sidewalk purposes, but that up to six o'clock only one tender had been received.

The tenders were opened being \$30.50 for supplying 500 lbs four inch nails delivered to Chesterfield Avenue warehouse.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above tender of S.E. Buell be accepted.

### DUE ACCOUNTS

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Board of Works, Ferry, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks and Boulevards, Police and Health 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	\$870.83
Board of Works	\$3,097.17
Ferry: \$3,430.53 + \$6,065.43	\$9,495.96
Waterworks	\$88.52
Fire & Light	\$1,179.47
Parks & Boulevards	\$656.15
Parks & Boulevards (Police)	\$11.30
Parks and Boulevards (Health)	\$279.45

### PAYROLLS

Board of Works	\$1,252.09
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Waterworks	\$82.80
Parks & Boulevards	\$153.25
Parks & Boulevards (Health)	\$80.00

Alderman Morden drew attention to difference in price for advertising in the "Province", "World", and "Sun" newspapers, suggesting that the Departments, when advertising pay particular attention to the cost of said advertisement.

Alderman Morden drew attention of the members of the Council, also to the difference in appearance between the printed Financial Statement for the year 1918 and that of 1917.

Alderman W.J. Irwin drew the attention of the Council to the fact that some of the drums in which oil had been delivered, had been damaged by some of the workmen, at an expense of approximately \$40.00 and which the City has had to pay for.

Mr. West however, was aware of the matter and stated he would endeavour to see that the same thing did not happen again.

The report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1919, as 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 September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1919, as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The report of the Parks & Boulevard Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1919, as read and on motion of Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

The report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1919, as read and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Watson, adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1919 was read.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the recommendation with respect to the application of Mr. J. Rogers for a lane in Block 103, DL 550, be deleted and that the Minutes as amended be adopted.

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup> was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin adopted.

Alderman W.J. Irwin stated that Mr. A.R. Steacy would transplant some of the young trees which are now in the nursery at Mahon Park and plant in front of his property on Lonsdale Avenue, at his own expense, if permitted to do so.

Alderman Townsley stated that Mr. J.L. Dodds also would be very glad to plant some trees around his property, if permitted to do so.

The Clerk was instructed to look up an application received from Mr. Rogers in 1918 in connection with opening up the lane in Block 103, DL 550, and the Engineer's report thereon, for the Board of Works Committee.

The Returned Soldiers Committee, submitted the following report:

"Your Committee, after careful consideration of the applications which have been made for aid or assistance from the Provincial Government Loan under the "Better Housing Act", beg to report as follows:

RECOMMEND that an Architect be employed at a remuneration not to exceed 2 ½\$ for inspection and approval of plans and all Architect's duties save and except drawing of Plans which are to be supplied by applicant.

RECOMMEND that the maximum loan to any one applicant do not exceed \$2650.00 including all extras and fees and that a former recommendation of this Committee, "That the maximum amount be limited to \$2500.00" be rescinded.

RECOMMEND that the following applications be granted:

Baxter, George H.	\$2,650.00
Hughes, G.H.	\$2,650.00
May, A.P.	\$2,650.00
Gilchrist, W.	\$2,650.00
Walker, S.H.	\$2,650.00
Renshaw, Rodney	\$2,650.00
Wootten, George	\$2,650.00
Beasley, Ltd. F.	\$2,650.00
Parker, Edward	\$2,650.00
McNair, A.W.	<u>\$2,150.00</u>
Total	<u>\$25,000.00</u>

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Returned Soldiers Committee, re better housing, be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council, for attention this evening.

Alderman Watson reported having received several notices of meetings at the Vancouver Board of Trade, re Ferry matters, and that he had attended one or two meetings at which little or nothing had been accomplished, and suggested that Mr. Tullis, President of the North Vancouver Board of Trade, endeavor in future to send out notices of meeting sin sufficient time to allow members from the Council, to arrive t the place of meeting on time, and also that he was perfectly willing to attend any meetings in connection with Ferry Matters, at an early hour in the afternoon, or in the evening. The Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Tullis of Alderman Watson's wish in this matter.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay any of the City workmen who may be laid off work during the absence of the City Engineer, on leave, upon receipt of a work ticket OK'd by Foreman Vickery.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to H.D. Green Armytage in the amount of \$50.00 in full settlement of any past or future damage on the part of the City of North Vancouver done to his property by reason of the overflowing of a small creek which runs through his property, in Block 215.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Evans that Mr. Giles, City fireman be paid the difference between his regular salary and the amount paid by the Workmen's Compensation Board for the time he was laid off in May and June, viz, \$32.66.

A vote was taken resulting as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Alderman Morden Alderman Evans Alderman Townsley and Mayor Vance.

AGAINST THE MOTION: Alderman W.J. Irwin, Alderman Watson and Alderman T. Irwin.

The Mayor declared the motion carried, as it had been the policy in the past to pay any monthly employees how were incapacitated while in the discharge of their duties, as above.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Walsh had communicated with the Departments in the City Hall, on Saturday, stating that the water supplied through his three-quarter inch meter, did not at all times provide a sufficient quantity of water, and that he wished to have a 1 ½ inch meter instead of the one at present in use, which is too small.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a suitable meter be purchased for installation at the E.C. Walsh lumber Company's premises on the Esplanade.

Alderman Watson suggested that possibly the Lyall Shipyards had some meters on hand which were not in use.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley that the Engineer be authorized to put tarvia on the east side of Lonsdale Avenue from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Upper Keith Road at an approximate cost of \$150.00.

Alderman Morden objected to further expenditure on the part of the Board of Works Committee, which had not been previously authorized, on account of the state of the finances, claiming that the Board of Works Committee has not sufficient funds to carry out this work.

A vote was taken as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Alderman Watson, Alderman Townsley, Alderman Evans and Alderman W.J. Irwin.

AGAINST THE MOTION: Alderman Morden, Alderman T. Irwin and Mayor Vance.

The Mayor declared the motion carried and stated that he voted against the motion on account of the state of the finances in the Board of Works.

At 10:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Morden, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the time of this meeting of Council, be extended.

The Treasurer submitted a report on the standing of the Committees, dated September 15<sup>th</sup>, copies of which will be furnished each member of the Council.

The Treasurer also submitted an estimate of the fixed charges for each Committee during the remainder of the year, and dated September 15<sup>th</sup> copies of which will also be furnished each member of the Council.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that this Council take up the question whether the appointment of Mr. Kyle, as Assessor, carries any salary or not; and that the matter be dealt with this evening in Committee of the Whole.

The Mayor recommended that the City Engineer be instructed to report on the cost of filling in the dock at the foot of Bewicke Avenue.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Engineer report on the cost of adequately protecting the dock at the foot of Bewicke Avenue.

At 11 p.m. it was moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that this Council do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole and that Mayor Vance be Chairman of the Committee.

#### IN COMMITTEE

#### IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that Mayor Vance and Alderman Evans be authorized to employ an Architect in connection with the "Better Housing".

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Alderman Evans and the Architect be authorized to call for tenders, to be returned to the City Clerk with a recommendation from the Architect.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to have all necessary debenture forms prepared under the "Better Housing Act", and that as soon as prepared, that they be



executed by the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf o the City, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attach the Corporate Seal thereot, said debenture not to exceed in the aggregate \$25,000.00, and bearing interest at the rate mentioned in said act;

AND THAT the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to communicate with the Minister at Victoria, advising that the debentures are in course of pareparation and requesting that the Governmetn forward to this City, \$6,000.00 at once.

At 12:00 p.m. it was moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1919 at 8:30 p.m.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor