

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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 of Council, held October 20<sup>th</sup>, 1919, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read.

Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the resolution, Paragraph 21, Page 713 of the Council Minutes, with reference to payment to the Bitulithic Company, be amended by adding the words "City's share of" immediately before the word "Bitulithic" in the fourth line thereof, and that the words "paid bills and" be deleted from the resolution in the 5<sup>th</sup> line thereof, and that the minutes as amended, be adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of Council, held October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with, as follows:

From the Wm. Lyall Shipbuilding Company, dated October 25<sup>th</sup>, with reference to letter received from the City Solicitor, under date of October 18<sup>th</sup>, with reference to terms of agreement between the City and the Wm. Lyall Shipbuilding Company Limited. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, enclosing Tax Receipt No. 6841, also claim for a refund of taxes by Major A.W. Neely, amounting to \$13.05, on Lot 23, Block 205, DL 545, same having been paid twice.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to A.W. Neely in the amount of \$13.05 being a refund of taxes on Lot 23, Block 205, DL 545, same having been paid twice.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, enclosing Water Receipt No. 8208, also application from E. Deptford for a refund of water rates amounting to \$4.20 on Lots 12 and 13, Block 167, DL 274, same having been paid twice.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to E. Deptford in the amount of \$4.20, being a refund of water rates on Lots 12 and 13, Block 167, DL 274, same having been paid twice.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, enclosing Water Receipt No. 5864 issued to J. Loutet for \$4.80, and requesting that Mr. Loutet be refunded \$4.80 water rates on the North half of Lot 16, Bloc k228, DL 545, same having been paid by Mr. Loutet, and also by Mr. E.A. Peers.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to J. Loutet in the amount of \$4.80 being a refund of water rates on the North ½ of Lot 16, Block 228, DL 545, same having been paid twice.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, enclosing Tax Receipt No. 5852 and application from Jack Loutet & Company for a refund of taxes on Lot 3, Block 20, DL 273, amounting to \$30.34, same having been paid by A.E. Short Limited, as well as by J. Loutet & Company.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to J. Loutet & Company, in the amount of \$30.34 being a refund of taxes on Lot 3, Block 20, DL 273, same having been paid twice.

From Messrs. H.C. Macaulay & Company, requesting permission to address the Council with respect to tax sale costs on property known as the Empire Theatre. Mr. Macaulay by permission, addressed the Council in connection with the above matter.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Collector submit a report on the sale of the property known as the Empire Theatre.

From H.G.J. Woods, stating that he is unable to accept the Loan under the Soldiers Settlement Scheme, as business prospects have altered his plans.  
Referred to the Returned Soldiers Committee.

From the Vancouver General Hospital, being notice of admission of John Strayhorn, also report from the Police Department, that the bill will be paid when presented.  
Ordered filed.

From Major F.W. Bressey, applying to purchase property known as Lot 4, Block 12, DL 616, less that portion known as Lot "A", upset price being \$108.18.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Lot 4, Block 12, DL 616, less that portion known as Lot "A", in the City of North Vancouver, which was sold at tax sale as provided by the Municipal Act and amendments thereto, was purchased by the City as provided by Section 249 of the said Act, at the Tax Sale held in the month of September last, be sold to F.M. Bressey for the sum of \$109.03 being a sum not less than the upset price of the said lot and accrued interest, at the rate of 8% per annum, and the City Collector shall give to the Purchaser of said Lot, a Certificate under his hand, describing said lot as sold, and stating the sum for which it was sold;

AND FURTHER stating that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title will be issued to the Purchaser on the expiration of one year from the date of the Tax Sale, at which said lot was sold to the City, unless said lot be previously redeemed.

From Chas. McWilliams, dated October 24<sup>th</sup>, offering to purchase Lot 31, Block 231A, DL 546, which fell to the City at Tax Sale.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Lot 31, Block 231A, DL 274, in the City of North Vancouver which was sold for taxes as provided by the Municipal Act and amendments thereto, was purchased by the City as provided by Section 249 of the said Act, at the tax sale held in the month of September last, be sold to Charles McWilliams for the sum of \$55.70, being a sum of not less than the upset price on said lot and accrued interest at the rate of 8% per annum, and the City Collector shall give to the said Purchaser of said Lot, a Certificate under his hand, describing said lot so sold, and stating the sum for which it was sold.

And further stating that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title will issue to the Purchaser on the expiration of one year from the date of the Tax Sale, at which said lot was sold to the City, unless the said lot be previously redeemed.

From J.G. Farmer, CMC, North Vancouver, dated October 20<sup>th</sup>, stating that the District Council is prepared to increase their grant to the Hospital in North Vancouver by \$250.00 if the City Council will make a similar additional grant.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Mrs. Gillam, Secretary Victorian Order of Nurses, requesting if convenient, that the remainder of grant for the present year, be paid to the Victorian Order of Nurses.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque to the Victorian Order of Nurses for \$125.00 being balance of grant for the year 1919.

From the City Clerk, City of Victoria, conveying the appreciation of the Council at Victoria, for the hospitality extended to the delegates from Victoria to the annual Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention in North Vancouver. Ordered filed.

From John B. Wilcox, No. 2 Fire Hall, applying for two weeks leave of absence in view of the fact that he had been unable to avail himself of the annual leave granted to members of the Fire Department, owing to absence with the Canadian Forces.

In connection with the above, Captain Gardiner reported that Mr. Wilcox returned from Overseas, commencing his duties on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Captain Gardiner also reported that Mr. Wilcox resigned from the Department on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 1914. Salary at that time was \$65.00 per month. He was paid \$21.00 for time worked. In the year 1919, the members of the Department who enlisted were granted a bonus equal to one month's pay.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that owing to the fact that Mr. J.B. Wilcox did not receive a bonus at the time of his enlistment, that he be granted two weeks holidays for the present year.

From H.E. Beetlestone, Corresponding Secretary, GWVA, stating that a Committee from the GWVA wishes to meet the Council with reference to recent appointments made in the City Fire Department.

The Clerk stated that Mr. Douglas, Present of the GWVA, had stated that the Committee could not meet with the Council on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Mr. Beetlestone be notified that the Council will meet their Committee on Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, and that Captain Gardiner be requested to be present.

From W.C. Shelly, Chairman, Publicity Department, Vancouver, requesting a grant of \$250.00 fro the purpose of advertising Greater Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that a reply be forwarded that the Council has expended its appropriation for advertising purposes for the present year, but will refer their application to the Incoming Council.

From R.S. Worsley, Returned Soldier, bearing date of October 28<sup>th</sup>, stating that Lot 23, Block 7, DL 265, had been sold at the recent tax sale, and requesting that the tax sale costs and registration fees amounting to \$10.75 be remitted.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to Ralph Stanley Worsley in the amount of \$10.75 per official receipt No. 2957 and that he satisfy the Treasurer that he is discharged from the Army.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, enclosing communication from Messrs. Hope and Farmer, enquiring whether the Council would accept Victory Bonds of the preen tissue, in payment of tax redemption.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that Messrs. Hope and Farmer be advised that Victory Bonds of the present issue will not be accepted during the campaign.

From W.D. Harvie, Secretary of the Harbor Commission, explaining that the object of the request of the Commission to appoint a Harbor Committee is to enable the Commissioners to obtain the views of the Council on the subject of future development of harbor. Laid on the table.

From the Secretary, Pacific North West Tourist Association, advising that Mayor Vance was elected a Director of this Association at a meeting held in Tacoma on October 128<sup>th</sup>, also enclosing Third Annual report of the Association. Ordered received and filed.

From H.J. Lawrence, Clerk of the Christian Science Society, requesting permission to display on the ferry grates, an announcement of a lecture to be held in North Vancouver, the banner to be displayed form the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> instant.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above request be granted subject to the approval of the Ferry Superintendent.

From the E.C. Walsh Lumber Company, enclosing copy of a letter to the Engineer dated October 3<sup>rd</sup>, calling attention to the condition of the Esplanade east, between St. George's and St. Andrew's Avenues.

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

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, dated October 22<sup>nd</sup> being a further report with reference to recent tax sale, number of lots which fell to the City 1350, number sold 161. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Geo. C. Cooper, Esplanade, East, stating that he had seen in the Province that sidewalk lumber had arrived, and that certain work was being done on three thoroughfares and requesting that the sidewalk on Esplanade from Lonsdale to St. George's, north side, be constructed at once.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above sidewalk be given immediate attention, and the communication referred to the Board of Works Committee.

From the West Vancouver Ferry Manager, requesting that a nitrogen lamp of about 200 Watts, be installed on the West Vancouver Float.

Referred to Ferry Committee, and the Superintendent to look up contract with the West Vancouver Ferries and report.

From L.E. Raymond, stating that he has purchased the property 352 - 4<sup>th</sup> Street East, and on applying to the B.C. Electric Railway Co. for light, they notified him that it is necessary for him to pay part of the connection charges.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee and the Engineer with the object in view of securing the light applied for.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, dated November 3<sup>rd</sup>, with reference to the Exchange on American remittances of taxes.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

Alderman Watson drew attention to a dangerous pole at the south west corner of Bewicke and Keith Road.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Engineer be instructed to take up with the B.C. Electric Railway Co. the matter of dangerous position of the above pole with a view to having it moved.

TENDER was received from Nicholson's Ltd. for supplying one million five cent passenger tickets and approximately 25,000 Class "E" vehicle tickets, at the price of 23 cents per thousand.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above tender of Nicholson's Ltd., be accepted at the price of 23 cents per thousand tickets supplied.

#### PLANS FOR APPROVAL

The Engineer submitted plan from the BC Telephone Company No. A5014 dated October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1919, covering a proposed pole and anchor on MackKay Avenue.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above plan be approved, subject to it being erected at the proper offset and to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Board of Works, Waterworks, Ferry, 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	\$1,052.25
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Finance (School)	\$5,776.70
Board of Works	\$554.60
Waterworks	\$320.00
Ferry	\$6,540.00
Fire and Light	\$914.26
Parks & Boulevards	\$132.21
Parks & Boulevards (Health)	\$345.50
Parks & Boulevards (Police)	

The report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Morden, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

The report of the Ferry Committee, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the third last recommendation in the above Minutes be amended by adding the words "Liquidator of" immediately before the word "Sherman's" and that the last recommendation in the above Minutes be amended by adding the word "safety" immediately after the word "automatic" and that the Minutes, as amended, be adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 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 October 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Evans, seconded Alderman Watson, adopted.

Alderman T. Irwin voting against the recommendation with respect to granting an increase of \$25.00 to Mr. Gideon Scott.

Alderman Morden reported having waited on the City's Bankers and others with respect to financing, and that they had agreed to forward letters to the City on the subject.

Mayor Vance reported that the Bridge Directors had met the Harbor Commissioners last week, and that the Harbour Commissioners had visited the North Shore on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, that they had also inspected the Harbour by launch on the 1<sup>st</sup> instant, and they had expressed themselves to the effect that the North Shore should have terminal rates, and are considering appearing before the Railway Commissioners at the hearing in Vancouver.

Re instructions for Harbour Committee. The North Shore to have adequate car ferry and terminal rates, bridge, terminal railway, assembling grounds for lumber, and a percentage of the Harbour appropriation to be spent on the North Shore.

Alderman W.J. Irwin reported a meeting of the representatives of the Councils of the City and District of North Vancouver with representatives from the various industries, on October 30th; and that resolutions had been passed to the effect that the Municipal Solicitors cooperate with the Solicitors from the Industries in securing evidence for the hearing before the Board of Railway Commissioners, also authorizing the employment of one or more tariff experts.

Alderman Townsley reported having attended a meeting called by the Vancouver Real Estate Exchange with respect to the development of Burrard Inlet, and that the meeting was in favour of the development of Burrard Inlet rather than Kitsilano, and resolutions were being forwarded to the effect that Burrard Inlet should be developed before creating a new harbour.

The Returned Soldiers Committee reported recommending that a loan be made under the Better Housing Act, to Mr. H. Hutcheson \$2,150.00 and to Dr. D.W. Hutcheson \$2,150.00.

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

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that Lot 32, Block 155, DL 274, in the City of North Vancouver, which was sold for taxes as provided by the Municipal Act and amendments thereto, was purchased by the City as provided by Section 249 of the said Act, at the tax sale held in the month of September last, be sold to H. Best, for the sum of \$924.33 being a sum not less than the upset price on said lot, and accrued interest at the rate of 8% per annum, and the City Collector shall give to the said Purchaser of said Lot a Certificate under his hand, describing said lot so sold, and stating the sum for which it was sold, and further stating that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title will issue to the Purchaser on the expiration of one year from the date of the tax sale at which said lot was sold to the City, unless the said lot be previously redeemed.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the bylaw entitled "Lonsdale Avenue Traffic Bylaw, 1919" be now reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 414.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that if the Walsh Lumber Company still desires to obtain the use of the water lot at the foot of St. Andrew's Avenue, that the Solicitor draft a lease at a rental of \$25.00 per month, during the pleasure of the Council, City to obtain possession of said water-lot on giving three months notice. Should mill shut down or be burned and not re-opened or rebuilt within a reasonable time, that provision be made for cancellation.

Alderman T. Irwin voting against.

The Clerk reported that Miss Rose Peers desires to obtain some shrubs from the Nursery for planting in the Cemetery, also requesting that a row of trees be planted in the drive-way leading to the Peers Plot, or if the trees are provided that they will plant same.

The Clerk was instructed to obtain information from the Vancouver Cemetery as to the best class of shrubs for use in the Cemetery.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the applications of the Dominion Day Celebration Committee; the GWVA; The Comrades of the Great War, and Mr. Pettis for permission to hold a boxing contest, be granted, and that the Chief of Police be present at the various contests.  
Alderman Evans voting against.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Alderman Watson go along with the chief of Police to the various boxing contests as a representative from the Council, and that the contests must be orderly or be closed.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that conspicuous and elevated signs be placed at the corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and Lonsdale and esplanade and Lonsdale, requesting vehicular traffic to go slow.

At 10:30 it was moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the time of this meeting of Council be extended.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Evans 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 Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above offer of the British American Bond Corporation Limited, and the Royal Financial Corporation Limited, as contained in their letter dated November 3<sup>rd</sup>, be accepted, subject to the endorsement of the Supervisor of the Royal Bank of Canada, and subject to being able to make the necessary financial arrangements to finance purchase of new bonds with proceeds.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Mayor and Clerk or Treasurer be authorized to sign all documents and make all necessary arrangements for the carrying into effect of such sale.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign an application or applications for re-investment of



proceeds form sale of Dominion Bonds, also investment of available sinking funds in Dominion Bonds.

At 12:40 it was moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Council adjourn, to reconvene within the Council Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 1919, at 8:30 p.m.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor