## MINUTES OF MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, DECEMBER $1^{\rm ST}$ , 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 November 17<sup>th</sup>, 1919, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Evans, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held November 19<sup>th</sup>, 1919, were read, and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Evans, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1919, were read, and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held November 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, copies of which were supplied each of the Aldermen, were read, and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended, and that a deputation from the Local Branch of the Red Cross be permitted to address the Council.

Whereupon Mrs. Clements and Miss Dorrell addressed the Council with respect to the Red Cross Society undertaking to secure an ambulance and presenting same to the City, the City of course, to attend to the running of the ambulance, possibly keeping it at the Fire Hall.

The Red Cross expect to raise \$4,000.00 and requested a grant from the City to assist. Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the above matter of assistance in the purchase of an ambulance, be referred to the Committee of the Whole, for consideration.

At 8:15 p.m. it was moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that this Council do now take a recess to permit of holding a meeting of the Board of Health.

At 8:50 p.m. the Council reconvened.

Mr. Wooldridge, who has a number of teams and does a trucking business, by permission, addressed the Council, with respect to the condition of Mosquito Creek Bridge.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Mr. Woolridge be given permission to make temporary repairs to Mosquito creek bridge tomorrow, in order to facilitate the passage of his teams with heavy loads, and that he

put on gates to keep out other traffic, all at his own expense and risk, subject however to the approval of the City Engineer.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From A.M. West, City Engineer, dated December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1919, reporting serious trouble from electrolysis on Lonsdale Avenue and First Street East, and recommending that the B.C. Electric Railway Co. system be notified to immediately make necessary repairs. Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above report of the Engineer be received and adopted and the Company notified, and charged up with any cost in connection with the repairs.

From A.M. West, City Engineer, dated December 1<sup>st</sup>, reporting having had small piles of rock in various parts of the City for repair work, but after the flood, it was found that the Burrard Wood Fuel Company, had collected this rock and used it on the road around the gas tank. The Engineer estimates the value of the rock taken at \$42.00. In addition to the above, this Company is continually dumping piles of wood in the ditches. Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the matter of the disappearance of the rock referred to the in the above report, be referred to the Board of Works Committee to submit report to the Council, and that the Burrard Wood Fuel Company be notified not to unload wood in the road ditches in future.

From E.J. Wakefield, 269 - 14<sup>th</sup> Street 1st, again referring to the lack of street light at the corner of 14<sup>th</sup> and Mahon Avenue. Referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

From James Ollason, CMC, West Vancouver, requesting an appointment for a meeting between a Committee of the West Vancouver and the City Council, with reference to the rental of the Vancouver landing of the West Vancouver ferries.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Committee from the West Vancouver Council be requested to meet with the Committee form the North Vancouver Council, on Monday December 8th.

From H.E. Beetlestone, Secretary, GWVA, with respect to the toilet and drinking water accommodation at Mahon Park during the games of football on Saturday afternoons. Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that this matter be referred to the Mayor and Engineer to endeavor to meet the request of the Football team sin the matter.

From the City Collector, dated November 19<sup>th</sup>, stating that a Mr. W.H. Ker, 1267 Pendrell Street, had paid taxes under tax receipt No. 9541 on the wrong lots, and requesting that Mr. Ker be refunded \$3.54 difference in payment of taxes. Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque in the amount of \$3.54 payable to W.H. Ker of 1267 Pendrell Street, Vancouver, being difference in taxes on Lots 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Block 10A, DL 550 and on Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 15, 16, 17 and 18 per request of Mr. Ker, dated November 17<sup>th</sup>, and the Collector's report thereon dated November 19<sup>th</sup>, 1919.

From D. Gardiner, Captain of the Fire Department, being a report for the month of October of fires, with risks, insurance and losses.

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

A communication was received from Miss Phyllis M. Dorrell, Secretary Canadian Red Cross Society, with respect to hospital equipment at present in Vancouver, and which is a donation from the Provincial Red Cross Organization to the North Shore. Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the City provides storage and cartage for said equipment, the Red Cross Society to be responsible for having the material wrapped and to be accountable for the proper storage of same.

From the Local Manager of B.C. Electric Railway Co. offering to turn on the lights for two hours in the morning for three months, at 4 cents per lamp, for the two hours; this being an increase of 1 cent per lamp for 2 hours, over previous year. Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Fire and Light Committee to ascertain the cost for lighting 1 ½ hours in the morning instead of two hours, and the Committee to have power to act in the matter.

From the Local Manager of the B.C. Electric Railway Co. dated November 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, enclosing copy of letter forwarded to Mr. Raymond with respect to connecting up light at premises 352 - 24<sup>th</sup> Street East.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council awaiting a report from the Engineer in the matter.

From A.M. West, City Engineer, reporting having examined 26<sup>th</sup> Street West, in front of Mrs. Lloyd's property, and reporting that it would not be advisable to spend any money on this street at this time of the year. Ordered filed.

From S.H. Procter, 643 - 5<sup>th</sup> Street, East, drawing attention to the necessity of a street light at the corner of Queensbury and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

From the Secretary of the Board of Trade, drawing attention to the dangerous condition of the sidewalks and requesting the City to forthwith replace all missing planks thereon. Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above communication be acknowledged and the Board of Trade advised that the Council is aware of the condition of the sidewalks, but owing to circumstances beyond the control of the City, there has been delay in delivery of sidewalk lumber, and that the Board of Works is doing all possible to secure lumber, and the action of the Board of Works is endorsed by the Council.

From Fred G. Jarrett, 27<sup>th</sup> Street and View, dated November 15<sup>th</sup>, complaining of damage done to his property by recent floods. Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer. From the E.C. Walsh Lumber Company, acknowledging receipt of communication of the 12<sup>th</sup> instant. Ordered filed.

From T.E. Levy, conveying the appreciation of the North Shore Schools Football League for the use of the Western portion of Bouelvard Park, also for the lumber necessary for the goal posts. Ordered filed.

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for the registration of Bylaw, No. 415. Ordered filed.

From J.W. Clark, Superintendent, B.C. Soldiers Settlement, dated November 28<sup>th</sup>, enclosing draft agreement between the Government and the City, covering a further Loan of \$30,000 under the "Better Housing Act", this being in addition to the 1<sup>st</sup> loan of \$25,000.

Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the draft agreement between the Government and the City of North Vancouver with respect to advancing \$30,000 under the "Better Housing Act", be approved and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City, and the City Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal, thereto.

From the North Vancouver hospital, dated November 28<sup>th</sup>, 1919, being report of receipts and disbursements from January to October 31<sup>st</sup>, showing a debit balance of \$221.09 for the 10 months.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above report be received and referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

## <u>INQUIRIES</u>

Alderman W.J. Irwin inquired when the Lonsdale Avenue Traffic Bylaw is supposed to go into effect.

Mayor Vance reported that the Engineer is having signs prepared immediately, and suggesting the advisability of placing barricades at the Esplanade and at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue, in order to divert the traffic to the Easterly side of the car tracks.

## **TENDERS**

The Clerk reported one tender received for the purchasing of one Bay horse, the property of the Board of Works. On being opened the tender was found to be from T.L. Kennedy offering \$40.00.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to dispose of the Bay horse, the property of the Board of Works, at the price of \$75.00.

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	\$1,156.50
Finance (School)	\$5,577.56
Board of Works	\$617.26
Waterworks	\$529.98
Ferry	\$6,571.22
Fire and Light	\$1,011.29
Parks and Boulevards	\$89.00
Parks and Boulevards (Health)	\$337.50
Parks and Boulevards (Police)	\$872.50

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Watson, adopted.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of November 24<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 November 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Evans, adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Special Meeting of Committee of the Whole Council held November 27<sup>th</sup>, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to Mr. W.J. Gilchrist, in the amount of \$100.00 out of loan under the "Better Housing Act", to apply on purchase of Lot 6, Block 8, DL 273.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the action of the Collector in not imposing penalty on taxes, the receipts for which were made out after the third day of September and up to an including the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October, but the remittances for which were actually in the Collector's office (as per affidavit of the Collector, dated November 14<sup>th</sup>) on or before the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, be confirmed and that the Auditor's recommendation that in future such receipts be

stamped so as to show these particulars, be adopted, and that the Collector be instructed accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Esplanade Local Improvement Temporary Loan 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 416.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the report of the Auditor, dated November 8<sup>th</sup>, with respect to American Exchange in the Collector's office.

Also the report of the Auditor dated November 26<sup>th</sup>, with respect to American exchange in the Treasurer's office, which reports had been referred to the Committee of the Whole Council and acted on by the Committee on the evening of November 27<sup>th</sup>, be filed for general reference.

Also, that the Report of the Auditor dated November 27<sup>th</sup>, being a progressive report on the Treasurer's work, be filed.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Evans and resolved that the report of Mr. George E. Kyle, dated November 245t, advising of the return of the remittances of certain over-payments, by way of American Exchange on cheques and drafts, be filed.

Alderman Watson reported having attended a meeting in Vancouver, on November 26<sup>th</sup> with respect to ferry matters, that the Vancouver City Council cannot help financially, but a resolution had been passed.

Those public bodies be requested to give their moral support to a delegation appointed from the various Public Bodies to meet with the Government, with respect to aid to the ferries.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above report be received and Alderman Watson thanked for his interest in the matter, and that a Mineral be drafted and submitted for approval, to be forwarded to the various Public Bodies for adoration.

Alderman Watson stated that he intends bringing in a later report with reference to the Financing of the building of a new ferry.

Alderman W.J. Irwin reported re hearing before the Railway Commissioners re Terminal Rates, that no answer has yet been received from the Commission.

Alderman W.J. Irwin also reported that he with Mayor Vance had appeared before the inquiry with respect to Municipal Financing and that the enquiry is now being held in the Upper Country.

Amongst other suggestions that gasoline should be taxes and the proceeds applied to the up-keep of roads.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that a communication be forwarded to Mr. Hanna, President of the Canadian National Railway, reminding him of him promise to establish a car ferry to the North Shore.

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

The Clerk submitted a verbal report recommending that Mr. C.R. Lane be appointed Treasurer and Collector, and upon being requested to submit same in writing, proceeded to do so.

He also requested that further time be given to make a recommendation with respect to further recommendations in the matter of assistants in reorganization.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman T. Irwin that the matter of report from the Clerk be laid over for one week, and that the Clerk submit a full report re reorganization, for the consideration of the Council.

An amendment was offered.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Watson that the recommendation and report of the Clerk as submitted be adopted. A vote was taken resulting as follows:

For the amendment: Alderman Watson and Alderman W.J. Irwin and Mayor Vance. Against amendment: Alderman Morden Alderman Evans Alderman Townsley and Alderman T. Irwin.

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

Against Motion: Alderman Watson Alderman W.J. Irwin and Mayor Vance.

The Mayor declared the Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the necessary notice be forwarded to the Bank and the Post Office, of the resignation of Mr. George E. Kyle, as Collector, and the appointment of R.F. Archibald as Acting Collector.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Clerk interview the Solicitor with reference to the Guarantee Bond on Mr. Kyle, and if the Solicitor considers it necessary, that he notify the bonding Company in order to protect the City's interest.

At 11:15 p.m. it was moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that this meeting of Council do now adjourn, to reconvene on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 1919 at 8:30.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor