

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, APRIL 6TH, 1920, AT 8 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Vance
Alderman T. Irwin
Alderman W.J. Irwin
Alderman McColl
Alderman Pilling
Alderman Townsley
Alderman Watson

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that Paragraph 7 page 803 of the Minutes of Council of March 15th, be referred back for further consideration and that the Minutes of regular meeting of Council of March 15th, 1920, be taken as read and adopted as amended.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council held March 22nd, 1920, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held March 25th, 1920, 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 McColl, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held March 29th, 1920, 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 Pilling, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From W. Murphy Fire Chief, being the monthly report of the fires, with risks, insurance and losses for the month of March. Filed.

From W. Murphy, Fire chief, recommending that the spare Jackshaft be purchased for the Webb truck at an approximate cost of \$15.60.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Fire Chief be authorized to purchase a spare jackshaft for the Webb truck at an approximate cost of \$15.60.

From Wm. Baillie offering to sell to the City, his property at Victoria Park, known as Lots 1 to 6, Block 110, DL 548, together with house thereon, at the price of \$20,000.00 for Hospital purposes.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above communication be received and filed and Mr. Baillie advised that the Council does not see its way clear at the present time to purchase property at the price offered.

From Robert W. Dick, applying to have the taxes consolidated on lot 1, Block 114, DL 274.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council and the Solicitor.

From E. Read, Secretary National Association Marine Engineers, stating that the advance in pay conceded by the City as from February 1st, 1920 is not satisfactory and consequently not accepted.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Sydney Allman, drawing attention to the damage caused to the property of Mr. Jarett at the corner of 27th and View Street, by recent over-flowing of the creek.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to remove the log jam which is causing the creek to overflow at or near the corner of 27th and View Street, at an approximate cost of \$15.00.

From M.E. Hoare, 4th Street and St. Patrick's, calling attention to the condition of the roadway lying between 3rd and 4th Street known as St. Patrick's Avenue.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee and the Engineer.

From the Public Utilities Commission, being an order coming into force on the 27th day of February 1920, in the matter known as Standard Discriminatory or Preferred Rates.

Ordered filed

From Mrs. W.E. Newcombe and family, acknowledging communication and expressing appreciation of the sympathy of the Council in her recent bereavement.

Ordered filed.

From J. Murhead, Provincial Inspector of Electrical energy, enclosing copy of Electrical regulations under the Workmen's Compensation Act, and requesting that these regulations be brought to the attention of the City Electrician.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the above Electrical regulations be referred to the City Electrical Inspector with instructions to comply with the provincial Regulations.

From J. Aspell, requesting to be relieved of his contract for the erection of house for Mr. Grey, owing to an attack of rheumatism and a general breakdown in health.

Laid on the table for attention at a later stage.

From J.D. Curtis, advising that Mr. Aspell has asked to be relieved of the Grey contract and stating that two more tenders will be submitted at present meeting of Council, also stating that Mr. Grey is quite willing that Mr. Aspell be relieved of his contract.

Laid on the table for consideration at a later stage.

From J.W.B. Blackman, City Engineer, with respect to application for a sidewalk on Second Street between St. George's and St. Andrew's avenue, stating that there is quite a good earth and gravel walk in this Block and estimating the cost of wood crib wall at \$48.40; also recommending that the application of Mr. Galpin of 336 - 21st Street West, for approximately 15 feet of sidewalk be granted.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above report and recommendations of the Engineer be received and adopted, and that he be authorized to construct a wood crib wall at an approximate cost of \$48.40. Also that he be authorized to construct approximately 15 feet of sidewalk from the front of the

residence of Mr. Galpin of 336 - 21 St. West, and that Messrs. Baillie and Askew be advised accordingly.

From the Royal Financial Corporation, offering to the City £50. City of North Vancouver 5% Debentures due July 1st, 1963, at a price of \$73.90.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Royal Financial Corporation offering to sell to the City £500. City of North Vancouver 4 ½% Debentures maturing September 1st, 1961, at the price of \$68.72 to yield 6.75%.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the City Clerk, dated April 6th forwarding copy of the Minutes of a Joint Meeting of the North Shore Councils held on April 1st, with respect to Hospital matters.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From A.E. Crickmay, Acting Secretary North Vancouver Hospital dated April 6th, advising that provided the Councils carry out the recommendations of the Joint meeting reimbursing the Hospital for the loss of \$1720.00 an operation of the Hospital for 1919. Also any loss on the current year's operations up to April 30th, 1920. Present owners are willing to lease the building etc., for the sum of \$70.00 per month until the proposed Bylaws for the erection of a Hospital, are put before the rate-payers.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From J.W.B. Blackman, City Engineer, advising that the City of New Westminster has for sale a nearly new trailer capacity 4 tons, and recommending this purchase at the price of \$300.00.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by at seconded by a and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to purchase the above trailer from the City of New Westminster at the price of \$300.00 providing that he finds, upon further investigation, that the machine is in good shape.

From the City Engineer, dated April 6th, being a report on the construction of wood crib and asphalt sidewalks.

WOOD sidewalk at the present price of lumber will cost from 10 cents to 12 cents per square foot. Life time 5 years to 8 years.

CONCRETE sidewalk will cost at the present time from 22 cents to 25 cents per square foot. Life time 20 to 30 years.

ASPHALT OR TARVIA costing about 15 cents per square foot, stating that this material would be in the nature of an experiment.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

Tenders were received from S.E. Buell and W.B. Goldie for supplying 4,000 feet, three-quarter inch galvanized pipe delivered.

Tender - S.E. Buell - \$13.95 per hundred feet.

Tender - W.B. Goldie - \$16.00 per hundred feet.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the tender of S.E. Buell for supply 4,000 feet, three-quarter inch galvanized pipe, delivered at Storage House, at the price of \$13.95 per hundred feet, be accepted, his tender being the lowest.

Tenders were also received for the construction of a house for Mr. A.A. Gray, out of the "Better Housing" funds.

From W.L. Whealler	\$4,720.00
From Henderson, Bookout & Mason	\$3,150.00

Above tenders for Mr. Grey's house were carefully considered.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that Mr. J. Aspell be relieved from his contract for the construction of Mr. Grey's house.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the tender of Messrs. Henderson, Bookout & Mason for the construction of house for Mr. A.A. Grey, at the price of \$3,150.00 be accepted, subject to the approval of the architect and Mr. Grey and subject to all the usual restrictions connected therewith.

Reports and recommendations by the Health, Parks, Waterworks, Board of Works, Fire and Light, Finance on Schools and Ferry 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:

Health	\$90.20
Parks	\$284.70
Waterworks	\$92.40
Board of Works	\$932.50
Fire and Light	\$922.26
Finance (Schools)	\$500.67
Ferry	\$6990.87

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 22nd, 1920, 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 March 22nd, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 22nd, 1920, was 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 March 22nd, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin, seconded by Alderman Pilling, adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 22nd, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 25th, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman T. Irwin, seconded Alderman Pilling, adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 25th, 1920, was read.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin that the Minutes be adopted.

An amendment was offered. Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley that the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to Tax Sale properties be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

A vote was taken as follows:

For the amendment: Alderman Watson, Alderman T. Irwin and Alderman Townsley.

Against the amendment: Alderman Pilling, Alderman W.J. Irwin, Alderman McColl and Mayor Vance.

Mayor Vance briefly gave his reason for voting against the amendment as declared the amendment lost and the motion carried.

The Clerk reported that under the "LAN Registry Amendment Act, 1919" section 934; requires that all subdivision plans submitted for approval shall be accompanied by a Certificate that all taxes which have been assessed have been paid. The plan submitted by Mr. S.F. Quick was not accompanied by Certificate that all taxes assessed had been paid. And in fact the 1920 taxes have not been paid.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the matter of approval of Plan of Mr. S.F. Quick be referred to the Solicitor for his opinion in the matter.

Mr. Watson of 23rd and Lonsdale being present, by permission addressed the Council, stating that his property had been sold at the 1919 tax sale for arrears of taxes and requesting that the Council give him relief by passing a Bylaw.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Solicitor for his opinion and any recommendation that he may have.

Mr. Bookhout being present, by permission addressed the Council in support of his application for a Loan under the "Better Housing Act" stating that he being a builder is willing to put in his time in the construction of a house providing the Council can assist in the purchase of the lot out of a loan to him. Mr. Bookhout was informed that the Council understood the circumstances and would take the matter into consideration.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Clerk be authorized to make application to the Government for a loan of \$10,000.00 which the Government had advised they could furnish this City instead of the \$35,000. applied for.

The City Engineer submitted a report dated April 6th, with respect to Plan "A" and Plan marked "B" having reference to the change of the B.C. Electric Railway Company's track at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that a Committee be appointed to take up with the B.C. Electric Railway Company the matter of changing of the track at the foot of Lonsdale and report back to the Council.

The following Committee was appointed, Mayor Vance, Alderman Watson and Alderman W.J. Irwin.

The City Engineer reported verbally with reference to inspecting the water supply for Fire purposes, at the Wallace Shipyards, suggesting the advisability of putting the water for Fire purposes on meter, which in the event of fire, could be opened up and therefore not charged for.

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

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the matter of preparing a consolidation Bylaw for the current year, be referred to the Solicitor, having in view the Consolidating of arrears of Soldiers and also the Draft Bylaw at present before the house, extending the "Soldiers Relief Act" for one year.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase 1200 books of tickets, 70 for \$2.00.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Solicitor and Engineer be instructed to take the necessary steps to prepare Local Improvement Bylaws for Macadamizing Ridgeway Avenue from Keith Road to 15th Street; and Mahon Avenue from Keith Road to 23rd Street, and also a portion of 13th Street.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and that the Clerk be authorized to communicate with the Military Authorities drawing attention to the fact that the Armories are not being used at the present time although it was the intention that when the site was granted by the City, the Armories would be in constant use.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a letter be forwarded to the District council with reference to the District purchasing rock from the City quarries at a price to be mutually agreed upon, with cost of production as ascertained and suggesting that if this is carried out it may be possible to employ a certain number of District workmen at the quarry. Also advising that the City Board of Works Committee will be pleased to meet with the District Council or Committee at their convenience at the City or in Lynn Valley.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Government be requested to make a grant for hard surfacing a trunk thoroughfare easterly on a 50/50 basis, Alderman McColl voting against.

The Clerk was instructed to forward copies to the Minister of Public Works, the Premier and Local Member, and requesting to know if it will be necessary to send delegation to Victoria to assist the Local representative to secure the grant applied for.

The Clerk reported that the City Fire Insurance expires on or about April 27th, and requesting instructions with reference to renewal of same and in what manner it would be allocated.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the matter of renewal of the City Fire Insurance due during the present month, be left with the Clerk to allocate amongst the local offices.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Mrs. C.M. Doherty, widow, be granted a Loan of \$3,000.00 out of the "Better Housing" funds.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Mr. W.R. Bookhout be granted a loan of \$2,500.00 out of "Better Housing" funds.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Mr. H.C. Wright be granted a loan of \$3,500.00 out of "Better Housing" funds.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the offer of the Royal Financial Corporation to exchange "North Vancouver City Debentures" for Dominion Bonds, be referred to the Mayor and Alderman Pilling with power to act should they see fit.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the matter of the redemption of Treasury notes, due May 10th and the high rate of exchange in connection with such redemption be referred to Committee consisting of Mayor Vance and Alderman Pilling, with power to act.

At 11:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Council do now adjourn. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor