

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, APRIL 19TH, 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

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council held April 6th, 1920, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the City Treasurer, being report of the Ferry Receipts for the month of March; also report of the cost of operation of the ferries for March, showing a deficit of \$1,975.73.
Filed.

From the City Clerk enclosing report of the Police Department on the street lights for the months of February and March.

Referred to the Treasurer to check up the account.

From John G. Farmer, dated April 9th, advising that provided the City and District of West Vancouver are prepared to cooperate, the District Council is ready to consider a scheme for the joint purchase of the present hospital, and in any event, are willing to join in an arrangement for taking over and running the present hospital on a rental basis.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From James Ollason, West Vancouver, advising that the West Vancouver Council is heartily in sympathy with the project of erecting a new Hospital building on the North Shore, but is not prepared to assume any proportion of the loss for 1919.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From W.A. Douglas, Secretary Tax Reform League of Eastern Canada.

Ordered filed.

From H. Douglas of the GWVA, inviting the Council to be the guests of the GWVA, on Tuesday evening, the 20th inst., at 8 o'clock p.m.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above invitation be received and a letter of acceptance be forwarded, advising that as many as possible will be pleased to be present.

From E. Read, Secretary Marine engineers Union, advising that the Engineers are not satisfied with the increase granted, and requesting that the matter be referred to the Dominion Fair Wage Officer, or a Board of Arbitration.

Laid on the table until a later stage.

From J.A. Grieve, offering £1000. City of North Vancouver 5% bonds due 1963 Bylaw NO. 292, at \$78.35 and interest in exchange for Dominion of Canada 5 1/2 % Bonds due 1934, at \$100. and interest.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From J.R. Campbell, Secretary of the Workers of North Vancouver, Vancouver and District, applying for the use of Mahon Park on Saturday, May 1st.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the above request be granted.

From H. Crabtree, advising that he had paid \$39.00 arrears of water on Lot 3, Block 202, DL 544, and protesting against the charge.

Referred to the Finance Committee and report to be submitted in connection therewith, and Mr. Crabtree to be requested to furnish proof of his claim that the property was vacant.

From C.R. Lane, City Treasurer, being report of the fuel consumed during the month of March.

Referred to Ferry Committee.

From Stuart Cameron, Vice-President of the Pacific Construction Company, requesting permission to erect a grid iron at the foot of Fell Avenue, below low water mark, for the docking of scows in connection with the erection of the new Pier (B.C.) for the CPR, and stating that they will be willing to remove everything and leave the site in the same condition as before entering thereon.

Laid on the table.

From Mrs. F.S. McDonald, requesting to know if Lot 6, Block 131, is for sale and at what price.

The Clerk reported that arrears of taxes and interest to date amount to \$458.28 in addition to which taxes for 1920 amount to \$53.43.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Minister of Public Works advising that after the closing of the House, he will be in a position to give the matter of hard-surfacing the trunk roadway, easterly, consideration.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Geo. Bell, MLA, advising that Section 12 of the 1919 Municipal Amendments, extends the time for consolidation of taxes to the end of 1920, and as the taxes for 1921 will not be payable until after June 1921, if there is any necessity for extending the time of consolidation of arrears, legislation can be put through at the ext session of the Legislature.

Filed.

From Geo. S. Hanes, advising having interviewed the Minister of Public Works with respect to hard surfacing easterly, and stating that Dr. King had suggested that he would prefer having a delegation meet with him, after the close of the Legislature.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Geo. S. Hanes, advising that, after consulting with Mr. Bell, Mr. Baird and Mr. Whiteside, a communication is being forwarded that at the next session of the house, the Municipal Act would be amended to provide for consolidation of taxes for the year 1920.

Filed.

From J.W.B. Blackman, City Engineer, re petition to construct a bridge across Mosquito Creek, and stating that the Board of Works Committee, had visited this site on the 13th instant, and decided that owing to the great depth of the ravine the cost of building a bridge at the present time, is prohibitive.

The Clerk was instructed to notify the parties interested.

From J.W.B. Blackman, re application North Shore Shingle Company for repairs to the foot of St. George's Avenue, recommending that the sum of \$20.00 be spent in lumber, the Company agreeing to lay the planks.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above report be received and the Engineer authorized to expend \$20.00 in purchasing lumber for repairing the foot of St. George's Avenue.

From J.W.B. Blackman, re application to have the lane opened up to Lot 23, Block 13, DL 616, reporting that the work requested, will cost approximately \$30.00.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to open up a lane to Lot 23, Block 13, DL 616, at an approximate cost of \$30.00 in lieu of opening up the roadway.

From W. Firgland, advising that he had taken out a permit to construct a building on Lot 36, Block 44, DL 271, and requesting to have the roadway opened up to permit of building material being brought in.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to provide access to Lot 36, Block 44, DL 271, at a cost, not to exceed \$25.00.

From W.H. Leckie, Chairman for B.C. of the Canadian Jewish Relief Committee, appealing on behalf of the civil population in Eastern Europe, for assistance.

Laid on the table.

From R. Baird, Inspector of Municipalities, advising that it is not now possible for the Council to change the date for the tax sale.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Solicitor communicate with the Attorney-General with respect to changing the date of the tax sale to September 25th, for the current year.

From J.W. Clark, Superintendent, BC Soldiers Settlement, enclosing agreement in duplicate under the provisions of the "Better Housing Act", for an additional allotment of \$10,000.00.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Mayor and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign an agreement in duplicate, between the Provincial Government and the City, dated April 12th, 1920, for an advance of \$10,000.00 under the Better Housing Act, and that the Clerk is hereby authorized to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

From H.B. Robinson & Company, Montreal, dated April 12th, requesting the Council to pass a resolution, authorizing the City to register \$10,000.00 of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due February 27th, 1960.

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

From six residents on the North side of 4th Street, complaining of the condition of the sidewalk and drains on the north side of 4th Street between Chesterfield and Lonsdale Avenues.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee and the Engineer.

From W. Murphy, Fire Chief, reporting that on April 14th, the Fire Department responded to a fire alarm to a house on Keith Road, just west of the Capilano Bridge, in the District of West Vancouver. Time of service 2 hours.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that a bill of \$100.00 be forwarded to the District of West Vancouver, for the services of the Fire Department in responding to the above alarm.

TENDERS were received for the purchase of four Fairbanks-Morse boiler Feed pumps at the North Vancouver Ferry wharf, as follows:

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| Vancouver Machinery Depot Limited | \$300.00 |
| Vancouver Equipment Company | \$175.00 |
| National Machinery Company | \$120.00 |

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above tender of the Vancouver Machinery Depot Ltd., for the purchase of four second-hand Fairbanks boiler feed pumps at the price of \$300.00 be accepted, C.O.D.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Board of Works, Waterworks, Ferry, Parks and Boulevards, Health, Police and Fire and Light 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:

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| Finance | \$2,576.53 |
| Finance (School) | \$920.32 |
| Board of Works | \$2,239.35 |
| Waterworks | \$699.14 |
| Ferry | \$11,522.57 |
| Parks & Boulevards | \$337.97 |
| Parks & Boulevards (Health) | \$252.84 |

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| Parks & Boulevards (Police) | \$160.28 |
| Fire and Light | \$1,393.58 |

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of April 12, 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 April 12, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman T. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of April 12, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin, seconded by Alderman McColl, adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of April 12th, 1920, was read.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the second last recommendation with respect to communications to the Merchants Service Guild, Sailors Union, and National Association of Marine Engineers, be referred back to the Committee of the Whole Council for further consideration, and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted.

Alderman Watson reported that the east lead on the ferry wharf had broken away from anchor on the 19th in st., and that during the temporary absence of Mr. Edmond on other work, he had secured the services of a tug, and held the lead until it could be secured.

The report of the Finance Committee, as contained in the Committee's minutes of April 12th, 1920, was read.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the second recommendation in the above Minutes, with respect to percentage addition charge, be amended to read 10% to be added on August 3rd and 5% on September 16th, and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted.

Alderman Irwin reported that the Board of Works Committee, had inspected the City streets on the 14th instant, and that they did not consider it will be necessary to locally improve Hamilton Avenue; that repairs can probably be done out of maintenance.

Alderman Townsley reported that on Saturday evening, his boy had his hand injured on the Vancouver wharf.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Crickmay had phoned him that the Hospital books were in shape to be audited and requested instructions.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Clerk confer with Mr. Farmer of the District of North Vancouver with respect to a joint audit of the North Vancouver City Hospital books and accounts.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that a communication be forwarded to the Districts of North and West Vancouver, that the City

Council is willing to cooperate with the Districts in taking over the North Vancouver Hospital on a rental basis at \$70.00 per month, basis to be 3/6; 2/6 and 1/6 as from May 1st, with a proviso for sub-letting under reasonable arrangements, and that a copy of the letter be forwarded Mr. Crickmay.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Chairman of the Health Committee take up with the District, the question of the taking over of the Hospital on a rental basis, and report for Monday night.

The Clerk was instructed to call for tenders for supplying coal.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the management of the PGE Railway be requested to install an electric bell at the corner of Bewicke Avenue and that they also be requested to bring the cars to a stop on the near side of the crossing before crossing Bewicke Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Mayor and Chairman of the Finance Committee, and Clerk, be and they are hereby authorized to deal with offers that may be received for North Vancouver City Bonds, on a 6 and $\frac{3}{4}$ % basis.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a grant of \$50.00 be made to the Canadian Jewish Relief Committee and that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque payable to W.H. Leckie for said amount.

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

Re Fell Avenue water lot.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the application of the Pacific Construction Company Limited for the use of Fell Avenue waterlot, for the purpose of constructing a grid iron for a period of 10 to 12 months, be granted at a rental of \$50.00 per month, in so far as the City has the right to do so, such permission to be cancelled at any time on giving 60 days notice; at the end of the period the Construction Company to remove said grid iron, and that the City Solicitor prepare any necessary documents in connection therewith.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the communication from the National Association Marine Engineers be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions Bylaw, 1920" and that the said Bylaw receive three several readings at this meeting of Council, and that the occasion for such three readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure Bylaw.

Whereupon the Bylaw was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions Bylaw, 1920" be now read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Percentage additions Bylaw, 1920" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Percentage additions Bylaw, 1920" be now read a third time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Ticket Sellers be instructed to sell only one book of tickets, 70 for \$2.00 to any one individual, at any one time until further instructed.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the matter of a grant for ambulance, be left over for the time being.

The Clerk reported having received a communication from Mr. J.L. Gallagher, complaining of the method adopted by the City in awarding insurance.

Ordered filed.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that 10 lots which fell to the City in the 1915 tax sale, be selected and an advertisement inserted in two issues of the North Shore Press, calling for tenders for the purchase of same.

A plan was submitted from the Vancouver Harbor Commissioners, No. 587, dated April 10th, 1920, with respect to a landing for car ferry, at Bewicke Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above plan, in so far as it applies to the car ferry slip and trackage at Bewicke avenue, be and is hereby approved for a period of two years, and that a wire be forwarded to Mr. J.S. Crowe at Ottawa, requesting him to use his influence in having said landing and slip constructed at an early date.

At 11:20 p.m. it was moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that this Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Monday, April 26th, 1920 at 9 p.m. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor