

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, MAY 17<sup>th</sup>, 1920, AT 8 P.M.**

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

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council held May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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 May 10<sup>th</sup>, 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.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the North Shore Hospital Committee, enclosing copy of resolution passed at a recent meeting, requesting the three North Shore Municipalities to place money Bylaws for an aggregate sum of \$60,000.00 for the construction of the proposed North Shore Memorial Hospital, before the Elector sin June next.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Deputy Provincial Secretary, enclosing copy of Order-in-Council No. 745 authorizing the Minister of Lands to sign an agreement between the Government and the City, under the "Better Housing Act", for an advance of \$10,000.00.

Filed.

From the City Engineer, requesting permission to place a fence and gate across the street at the foot of Chesterfield Avenue, for the better protection of the City's property, at the foot of Chesterfield Avenue.

Laid on the table.

From the B.C. Telephone Company, with respect to telephone service installed at the house of Mr. J.L. Douglas, and requesting that the City guarantee the Company for any of the unexpired term of three years, provided the parties taking over the service, give up the telephone before April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1922.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the required guarantee for the telephone service up to April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1922, be forwarded to the Company.

From A.E. Crickmay, Secretary, North Vancouver Hospital, dated May 14<sup>th</sup>, requesting the City to issue a cheque for \$100.00 being 50% of rent for Hospital for the months of May and June, also that a cheque for \$125.00 being City's grant for the month of April,

be issued; also requesting that the Council submit a Bylaw forthwith for the purchase of the Hospital.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue cheques to the North Vancouver Hospital for \$100.00 being 50% of the rent of the Hospital for the months of May and June 1920, also a cheque for \$125.00 being City's grant to the hospital for the month of April, and that the remainder of the above letter be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Vancouver General Hospital, being notice of admission of Marjorie Nicoll, and Mrs. Daniel Beddard. Also report from the Police Department in connection therewith.

The Clerk was instructed to notify the Hospital and file the notice.

From the Board of Police Commissioners, enclosing the report of the Police Department on the street lights for the month of April 1920.

Referred to the Treasurer to check up the light account.

From the City Solicitor, dated May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1920, advising that in his opinion the steel rails which had been spiked down to the Lyall wharf, became part of the wharf, and the Company had no right to remove same; also that the Company be compelled to replace said rails or pay the City the value; also that he had notified the Company not to remove any further material from the wharf.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above opinion of the Solicitor be received, and his action approved.

From the Secretary, Vancouver Harbor Commissioners, requesting the Council to keep the date of May 31<sup>st</sup> open, so that a deputation from this Council, may attend a conference, which it is proposed to hold on May 31<sup>st</sup>, for discussing the practicability of constructing a dam across the Second Narrows.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that Mayor Vance, Alderman Pilling and Alderman W.J. Irwin be appointed a deputation from this Council, to attend the above conference, and that the Harbor Commissioners be notified accordingly.

From the Board of School Trustees, requesting that the Council might favorably consider the setting apart of a small sum, to encourage competition amongst the pupils, in the destruction of tent caterpillars.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that \$45.00 be voted to the School Board, as prizes for the destruction of tent caterpillars. This amount to be allocated by the School Board, amongst the Schools.

From Civil Service Commissioner, dated May 13<sup>th</sup>, inquiring whether the City has any provision at the present time, or has considered the question of granting a retiring allowance to its Policemen, Firemen and other employees.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Clerk advise the Civil Service Commissioner that this Council is not considering any scheme for superannuations, up to the preset time, as they consider that this matter is within the Province of the Federal and Provincial Governments.

From Mrs. F.S. McDonald, advising that she considers the price set on Lot 6, Block 131, too high, and does not consider it advisable to purchase this lot at the price. Filed.

From the City Treasurer, being report of the Ferry receipts for the month of April, also statement of cost of operation of the ferries. Filed.

From J.L. Gallagher, notifying the Council that he will hold the City responsible for any sickness arising in his household, through the wrong of a septic tank situated on the George Baldwin property on Keith Road East,

Also a report from the Sanitary Inspector in connection with the above, stating that in his opinion the septic tank on the property of Mr. George Baldwin is perfectly water tight, since same has been repaired.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the report of the Sanitary Inspector, be received, and that the communication from Mr. Gallagher, be acknowledged and filed.

From Mrs. H.C. Wright, 15<sup>th</sup> Street East, advising that Mr. Wright does not intend to take advantage of the Loan granted him, for the purpose of erecting a house under the Better Housing Act.

Referred to Housing Committee.

From the City Solicitor advising that the Court has held that properties under the "Better Housing Act" are liable to Mechanics Liens, notwithstanding the provisions of the Act, and that a judgment has been obtained against the McGurk property, of approximately \$400.00 and suggesting that a cheque for \$250.00 be forwarded him at once, to apply against the judgment, and that he hopes to get the balance deferred until arrangements are made for payment of same.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the above communication be received, and the recommendation contained therein be adopted.

From the City Engineer advising that he had inspected a number of second hand wagons, but cannot recommend that a second hand wagon be purchased.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to purchase a full sized wagon, also a one horse wagon.

From James Ollason, West Vancouver, advising that the matter complained of on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant, being the condition of the waiting room on the Vancouver side, has been attended to.

Filed.

From George Eastman, requesting that the foot bridge across Mosquito Creek, be repaired at once.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above communication be referred to the Engineer with power to act, as the repairing of this bridge had been passed early in the year.

From Wm. Laird, applying for a Thermos bottle, as his had been destroyed by an accident on the Ferry on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Also from Alex M. Maxwell, claiming damages to a suit of clothes on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

The Clerk was instructed to notify these parties that the City admits no liability and that their claims be forwarded to the B.C. Electric Railway Company Limited.

From the B.C. Electric Railway Company advising that they are communicating with Mr. Sidney Lamport, with respect to his claim for damages on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Ordered filed.

From the City Treasurer, being a result of a check on the Mates made on May 12<sup>th</sup>, showing a discrepancy.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above report be referred to the Ferry Committee and the Superintendent for a report thereon.

From J.G. Farmer, Clerk of the District of North Vancouver, stating that Mr. Woollard, who is operating a lumber mill at Ross Road, will require approximately 18,000 to 19,000 cubic feet of water per day, for the purpose of fluming his saw-dust, and requesting to know whether the City will be able to furnish this amount of water at Ross Road, and if so upon what terms.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Clerk secure further particulars in connection with the above application.

From the Research and Civic Bureau of the Winnipeg Board of Trade, requesting information with respect to taxation and assessment.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above required information be furnished, and that the letter be filed.

From the City Treasurer, being statement of Committee expenditures, including accounts which were up for approval on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Filed for future reference.

From A.E. Foreman, Public Works Engineer, enclosing one map with advice and instructions as to the amendments regarding the rule of the road.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Public Works Department, requesting a further supply of maps for distribution.

TENDERS were received from the Fraser Import Company, offering \$500.00 for the donkey engine in Lynn Valley, providing they can get immediate delivery.

Also tender from the Vancouver Machinery Depot Limited, for one boiler at the City Waterworks shop, offering \$450.00 for same.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the tender for the donkey engine, at the price of \$500.00 be accepted, and that the tender of the Vancouver Machinery Depot for the one boiler be not accepted.

TENDERS were received from Dixon Motors Limited, Gibbs Bros., A.S. French Auto Company, Begg Motor Company, and Paine Hardware Company for 5 passenger touring cars.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the matter of purchasing a new car for the Board of Works Department and the disposal of the old Ford car, be referred to Alderman Watson Alderman W.J. Irwin and the Engineer with power to act.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks, 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	\$1992.24
Finance (School)	\$447.89
Ferry \$5402.68 + \$1684.24	\$7086.92
Board of Works	\$2064.61
Waterworks	\$709.18
Fire and Light	\$985.50
Parks and Boulevards	\$233.99
Parks and Boulevards (Health)	\$732.42
Parks and Boulevards (Police)	\$41.74

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1920, was read.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the second recommendation with respect to Mr. Wilmot being permitted to use the City's crest, be amended by adding the words "City Ferry Business only", and that the Minutes, as amended, be adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman Pilling, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1920, was read.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the second paragraph be amended by changing the words "Lynn Valley Trail" to "Lynn Valley Road" and that the Minutes, as amended, be adopted.

The Report of the Parks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin, adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1920, was read and on motion of Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Pilling, adopted.

Mayor Vance reported having interviewed two financial houses, with reference to the issuing of Treasury Notes and both these houses had advised that it would be good business to hold over an issue as long as possible.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that an amount of \$250.00 (being grant to the family of J.L. Douglas, late Waterworks Foreman) be transferred from Waterworks account to the Finance account.

Alderman Watson reported that the Fire and Light Committee had inspected the Reo Speed Wagon on Saturday, but that the Reo Company had withdrawn its offer, for the old Thomas truck.

The matter of purchasing a fire truck was left with the Committee for further consideration.

The Chairman of the Board of Works Committee reported that the sidewalks are in very bad condition, and submitted a recommendation from the Engineer, that a sidewalk patrol be started, consisting of two men and a one horse wagon,

Also recommending that as few new wood sidewalks be laid as possible, except on ungraded streets, and that the matter of laying tarvia macadam sidewalks, be seriously considered at an early date.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the recommendation of the Engineer with respect to starting a sidewalk patrol consisting of two men and a one horse wagon, be adopted.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the Engineer proceed with the construction of a tarvia macadam sidewalk on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street West, on the north side of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, from Chesterfield Avenue to the westerly boundary of the City Hall property.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the matter of repairing the approach to the No. 2 Fire Hall, be referred to the Engineer and Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee with power to act, in making necessary temporary repairs.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that in all cases of fires, where the origin is doubtful, that the Police Department be notified.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Clerk convey to the Manager of the Capilano Timber Company, the thanks and appreciation of the Council, for the courtesy extended to the Hudson Bay party on the 17<sup>th</sup> instant.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the City Hall staff and ferry freight clerks be permitted to close up on Wednesday afternoon the 19<sup>th</sup> instant, to permit of their witnessing the Hudson Day Pageant.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that Chesterfield avenue from the south side of the Esplanade be closed to the Public, and that the Engineer construct a fence and gate across said street, for the better protection of the City's property, providing that the Solicitor advises that the City has the right to do so.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the Solicitor be authorized to collect the accounts for repairs on the ferries, from Lloyd's Insurance Company.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Clerk be authorized to subscribe for one copy of Henderson's Greater Vancouver Directory, 1920, price \$10.00.

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

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that the account for water rates against Mrs. Butt of 508 Keith Road East, be adjusted, upon her making a statutory declaration as to occupancy of the premises.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Initiative Bylaw, 1920" and that the said Bylaw receive its three several readings at this meeting of the 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 McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Initiative Bylaw, 1920" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Initiative Bylaw, 1920" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Initiative Bylaw, 1920" be now read a third time.

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

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Corporation's Share Bylaw, 1920" and that the said Bylaw receive its three several readings at this meeting of the 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 McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Corporation's Share Bylaw, 1920" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Corporation's Share Bylaw, 1920" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Mahon Avenue Macadamizing Corporation's Share Bylaw, 1920" be now read a third time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council, the vote resulting as follows:

For the Bylaw: Alderman Pilling, Alderman W.J. Irwin, Alderman McColl and Alderman T. Irwin.

Against the Bylaw: Alderman Watson

Alderman McColl from the Hospital Committee, reported having attended a meeting last week, of the Joint Hospital Committee.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the District Council and the owners of the North Vancouver Hospital be advised, that the City Council is not disposed to purchase the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Hospital, at the price of \$12,000.00.

The Clerk was instructed to secure prices on advertising on the bill board opposite the C.P.R. Station.

At 11:05 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Pilling seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, at 9 p.m., May 24<sup>th</sup> being a Statutory Holiday.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor