

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th, 1920, AT 9:30 P.M.

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

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Council take a recess for a short time, to permit the Committees to finish necessary business.

At 10:30 p.m. His Worship Mayor Vance reconvened the Council.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From J.B. Bennett, calling attention to the condition of the sidewalk on the north side of 11th Street, between St. Andrew's and Ridgeway Avenues.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to have the mud removed from the sidewalk on 11th Street East.

From W. Dickinson, Local Manager, Royal bank of Canada, re Lots 1 and 2, Block 12, DL 273, which fell to the City at the 1919 Tax sale, and against which the bank holds a registered mortgage.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above request of the Royal Bank, take the same course as previous requests, viz, that the City can give no assurance until after title is obtained.

From the Chairman and Secretary of the Reception Committee inviting as many members of the Council as can make it convenient to do so, to attend a reception to the Hon. W.L. MacKenzie King, at the Hotel Vancouver, on Tuesday, September 28th.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above invitation be received and that they be advised that as many as can make it convenient to do so, will be pleased to be present.

From E.W. Bradley, City Clerk of Victoria, enclosing copy of resolution from the City of Victoria, appealing to the Municipalities of the Province for assistance in appealing the case of the Bishop of Vancouver Island, versus the Corporation of the city of Victoria, as the decision of the Court of appeal affects the powers of the Municipalities and prevents for the time being at least, the levying of rates upon Church sites, and the selling of same at tax sales.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council and the Clerk instructed to state that the council is in accord with the intention of the Victoria Council, but before committing itself, the Council wish to know the estimated cost of the appeal, and request further particulars.

From the Secretary, South Vancouver Ratepayers Protective Association, expressing their appreciation of the efforts of the North Vancouver Council, to bring before the Dominion and Provincial Governments, the question of an equitable basis of Municipal taxation. Filed.

From T. Aubrey Tarr, drawing attention to the state of 17th Street, between St. Andrew's and Ridgeway Avenues.

Referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer.

From A.J. Tremere, stating that he is the owner of Lots 8 and 9, 12 and 13, Block 281A, DL 546, stating that he expects to build shortly on Lot 8 and requesting either a road, or the lane cleared to give him admission.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee and the Engineer.

From the Vancouver General Hospital, being notice of admission of Mrs. Thomas Brayshaw, also report from the Police Department that the expenses will be paid. Filed.

The Clerk stated that Alderman Pilling had requested him to apply on his behalf for leave of absence for two weeks.

Moved by Alderman T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Alderman Pilling be granted two weeks leave of absence.

From A.F. Menzies, requesting that he be allowed to purchase a cubic yard of crushed rock, he being under the impression that the price delivered would be \$3.00 per cubic yard.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to deliver one cubic yard of crushed rock to Mr. A.F. Menzies on Keith Road, at the price of \$3.00 per cubic yard. If any additional trouble in making delivery, extra charge to be made.

From Mrs. Frances H. DeWold, owner of Lots 19 and 20, Block 35, DL 550 which were sold at the 1919 tax sale, enclosing declaration of service of her three sons who had served at the front, and were invalided home, they being her sole means of support.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that whereas representations have been made to the Council by Mrs. Frances H. DeWold, that certain land hereinafter described, of which she is the registered owner, was sold at the tax sale held in September 1919,

And further representations having been made by her to the Council, that at the date of such tax sale, her three sons were enlisted in the Canadian Overseas forces to exemption from forced seizure or sale, and the Council having made inquiry, are satisfied at the bona fides of such representation,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the sale of said lots described as Lots 19 and 20, Block 35, DL 550 in the City of North Vancouver, be and the same is hereby cancelled, and the City Collector be instructed to replace said lots on the Assessment Roll with the unpaid taxes against such lots charged up against them.

From C.R. Lane, City Collector, dated September 27th, stating that Mr. T.J. McClelland through a misunderstanding, had paid the taxes in the year 1919, on the wrong property. He was given a receipt No. 7059 for \$27.30 on Lot 11 of Block 215A, DL 545.

This payment should have been made on Lot "C" of Lots 8 and 9, Block 39, DL 548, and requesting authority to transfer credit for this payment to the proper lot.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to transfer payment of taxes made in 1919 from Lot 11 of Block 215A, DL 545, to the credit of Lot "C" of 8 and 9, Block 39, DL 548.

His worship Mayor Vance reported that the Honorable MacKenzie King purposes visiting the North Shore on the 29th instant, in the afternoon.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that Mayor Vance and Alderman McColl be a deputation from this Council, to extend the courtesies to the Honourable MacKenzie King.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman T. Irwin and resolved that in cases of redemption of Soldiers' property, that the Treasurer be authorized to remit tax sale costs, excepting such amounts as have actually been paid or which may be necessary to be paid on account of such tax sale costs.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Clerk be authorized to renew the subscription to the Canada Gazette for one year to September 1st.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Clerk be authorized to renew Indemnity Bonds, Treasurer \$5,000. Collector \$5,000. Assistant in the Collector's office \$3,000.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that former resolution passed on September 20th, authorizing the construction of a crossing on 6th Street West, to give access to Mr. Walsh from the rear, be reconsidered.

Alderman T. Irwin voting against.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the former resolution, authorizing the construction of a crossing on 6th Street West, to give access to Mr. Walsh, be rescinded.

Alderman T. Irwin voting against.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to construct a three plank walk on the south side of Keith Road westerly from the present terminus of the sidewalk opposite the Undertaking Parlors, to the property of A.W. Walsh, approximate cost being \$45.00.

Alderman T. Irwin voting against.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Building Inspector submit reports as to the condition of houses on any properties which fell to the City from the 1919 tax sale, giving estimated cost of necessary repairs.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that in cases where there are houses on properties sold at the 1919 tax sale, falling to the City, that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to give a 30 days notice to parties who may be living in such houses.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to place insurance on houses which fell to the City at the 1919 tax sale, and which are not redeemed.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to have the necessary Debenture Forms prepared for an issue of \$30,000.00 bearing interest at the rate of 5% per annum, payable half-yearly on the 1st day of June and the 1st day of December in each year; said bonds to be due on the 5th day of May 1940, and being issued under authority of the Better Housing act, 1919 and of an Agreement between His Majesty the King in the right of the Province of British Columbia, and the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver dated November 28th, 1919, and when prepared, that they be executed by the Mayor and Clerk on behalf of the City, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attach the Corporate Seal thereto, and forward same to the proper Department at Victoria.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Government requesting that a cheque be forwarded for the last allotment to this City under the Better Housing Scheme, viz. \$10,000.00.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Liquor Regulation Bylaw, 1920" and that the said Bylaw receive two readings at this meeting of Council, and that the occasion for such two 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 T. Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Liquor Regulation Bylaw, 1920" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the City Clerk, R.F. Archibald, be a delegate to attend the Convention to be held in Nelson, viz., City Officials Convention, Good Roads League and Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Alderman D.H. McColl be and he is hereby appointed Acting Mayor during the absence of Mayor Vance at the Good Roads League and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention at Nelson.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue cheques for payrolls of the various Departments of the City, upon same being properly OK'd by the heads of such Department's during the first week in October, and that said Payrolls and warrants be submitted at the next meeting of Council.

Alderman W.J. Irwin reported that he, in company with Alderman Townsley, attended a hearing before the Dominion Fair Wage Officer on the 24th instant, re Masters and City of North Vancouver, with respect to two weeks holidays, that Mr. Bulger, is taking the matter under consideration and would submit a report at an early date.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the provisions of Section 2 of the Procedure Bylaw be and the same are hereby suspended temporarily on account of members of the City Council being absent from the City, attending the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention, and that this meeting of the Council adjourn, to reconvene on October 11th, 1920 at 8 p.m.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor