

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, MARCH 21ST, 1921, AT 8:00 P.M.

Present Alderman Cochrane
 Alderman Irwin
 Alderman McColl
 Alderman Morden
 Alderman Townsley
 Alderman Watson

Owing to the absence of Mayor Vance at Victoria, it was moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that Alderman Watson be and he is hereby appointed Acting Mayor during the absence of Mayor Vance at Victoria.

Whereupon Acting Mayor Watson took the Chair and called the Council to order.

The Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held March 7th, 1921, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Irwin, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of Council held March 8th, 1921, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen were taken as read and on motion of Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Irwin, adopted.

The Minutes of Special Meeting of Council held March 10th, 1921, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman McColl, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of Council held March 14th, 1921, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the City Collector, dated March 21st, enclosing statement of collections in the Water Department for the year 1920, showing a balance of \$2,126.04 of arrears due as at December 31st, also enclosing schedule of annual sinking fund and interest on debentures issued for waterworks purposes \$32,807.03; also making certain suggestions re increase of revenue.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole and Mr. Lane to be present next Tuesday night.

From the City Treasurer being statement of operation of the ferries for the month of January.

Referred to Ferry Committee.

From the City Treasurer, being report of the Ferry Receipts for the month of February, also report of the cost of operation of the ferries for the month of February.

Referred to Ferry Committee.

From D.S. Lavery, 308 - 2nd Street West, requesting the City to bear one-half the cost of constructing a line fence between Lots 34 and 35, Block 136, D.L. 271, his estimated cost being \$40.00.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole and the Engineer for a report.

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for the registration of Bylaw No. 449 and No. 452.

Filed.

From McFarlane & Boyle, Victoria, requesting a price on Lot 8, of Lots 1 to 6, Block 21, D.L. 547-8 which fell to the City at the 1919 tax sale.

Laid on the table until later in the evening.

From Alex Philip, advising that he is Chairman of the Legislation and Administration Committee of the Board of Trade, also advising that the Board has no funds to incur any expenses in the matter, but the Committee will gladly attend any conferences.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above communication be acknowledged and Mr. Philip advised that the Council would be pleased to cooperate with the Committee and that the hearing is to be held in Vancouver on April 7th.

From the City Collector re Lot 6, Block 211A, D.L. 544 with respect to arrears of water rates on above property, which amount to \$23.25 and which the owner claims was ordered turned off in 1913.

Moved by Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that in view of the circumstances in connection with the above application for the writing off of arrears of water rates, that the Collector be authorized to cancel the charge for arrears of water rates on Lot 6, Block 211A, D.L. 544, providing satisfactory evidence is furnished him by the owner or other parties that the premises have not been occupied since 1913.

From the City Collector, with respect to taxes which have been paid twice on Lot 30, Block 218, D.L. 546 and requesting authority to issue a refund.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a cheque payable to Mrs. H.H. McCavour in the amount of \$22.02 being a refund of taxes which had been paid twice, upon production of tax receipt.

From the City Collector re Water rates for premises 117 Lonsdale Avenue, which were vacated by the tenant who has paid water rates, about the middle of February.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a cheque payable to Mrs. McNeill in the amount of \$3.00 being refund of water rates for the unexpired portion of the time paid for by Mrs. McNeill and that the Waterworks Inspector make certain that the water is turned off the premises.

From the City Engineer re application of Mr. E. Davis of 2340 Chesterfield Avenue for a crossing, recommending that a crossing be installed.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that the above report be received and the Engineer's recommendation therein, be carried out.

From the Wallace Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. Ltd., inviting the members of Council to the launching of the "S.S. Canadian Skirmisher" on March 17th.

The Clerk reported having received the above invitation on the morning of the launching and that he had telephoned all members of the Council that he could reach.

The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt and file the invitation.

From the Deputy Provincial Secretary, enclosing certified copy of Order in Council, dated March 11th, 1921, approving Bylaw No. 449, "The City of North Vancouver Extraordinary Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 1921".

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above communication be placed on file and the Clerk authorized to have 300 copies of the Bylaw printed.

From the City Clerk, Vancouver, advising that the Finance Committee of Vancouver will receive a deputation from this Council on Wednesday, March 23rd at 3 p.m. re exemption from taxes of the North Vancouver Ferry Terminal.

moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Ferry Committee be appointed to wait on the Finance Committee of the Vancouver Council on March 23rd, re exemption from taxes of the North Vancouver Ferry Terminal.

From the Union of Canadian Municipalities to Mayor Vance, advising that the Railway Commission Telephone Hearing will be held in Vancouver on April 7th, and in Victoria, April 11th.

The Clerk further reported having advised Mayor Vance of the contents of above telegram and that the matter would be considered by the Executive of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities at Victoria.

From the City Comptroller, Vancouver, re advertising in Ferry Subway.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council and Mr. Wilmot to furnish the information required.

From Mayor Vance recommending that the Government and the Federal representative be requested for information re the construction of a Dry Dock on Burrard Inlet, whether the Coughlan contract is to be proceeded with or not.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the proper Department at Ottawa and the Federal Representative, requesting whether the construction of a dry dock is to be proceeded with and if not, why not.

Alderman Cochrane wished information with respect to the removal of a sign of the Parisian Dye Works off the freight shed at the North Vancouver Ferry wharf.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above inquiry of Alderman Cochrane be referred to the Ferry Committee for information.

Alderman Cochrane also inquired what grant was made to the GWVA for the year 1920, if any.

The Clerk reported that when considering the estimates for 1920, the Council of that time felt that provision would have to be made for the arrears of taxes against the

property and that other than arrears of taxes, no regular grant was made for the year 1920.

TENDERS were received from the North Shore Press, G.A. Roedde Ltd., and Shoemaker & McLean, for supply loose leaves for the register of Building Permits.

moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the tender of the North Shore Press for supply 100 loose leaves for the Register of building permits, at the price of \$10.50 be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

Alderman Morden not voting.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Parks, 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:

Finance		\$844.67
Finance (School)		\$1,229.84
Ferry	\$10,268.81	
	\$2,982.71	\$13,251.52
Board of Works	\$1,192.45	
	\$687.74	\$1,880.19
Waterworks	\$175.86	
	\$115.61	\$291.47
Parks	\$41.75	
	\$133.20	\$174.95
Parks (Health)	\$130.94	
	\$98.40	\$229.34
Parks (Police)		\$67.22
Fire and Light		\$995.61

The report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 14th, 1921 was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Morden, adopted.

The report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 14th, 1921 was read and on motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman McColl, adopted.

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 10th, 1921, was read.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the first recommendation in said Minutes be deleted; that the hour for holding adjourned meetings of Council on the 2nd and 4th Mondays, read 9 p.m. instead of 9:30 p.m., that the recommendation re carrying of express matter on the ferries be amended by deleting the clause "consignees to have the option after notice is given them by telephone or card, to have parcel delivered and charged for, or they to call at the office for same", and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted.

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 14th, 1921 was read and on motion of Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Morden, adopted.

Alderman Irwin requested to be excused from voting.

The report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 17th, 1921, was read.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the first recommendation be amended by adding immediately after the word "prices" in the second line, the following words", as per list on file,"

Also the clause re 5% to be allowed for cash on balance, be amended by adding the words after "sold on terms" the words "or on balance at any due date of principal," and that the Minutes as amended, be adopted.

Moved by Alderman Cochrane seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the offices in the City Hall be closed during the Easter Holidays from Thursday night, March 24th, until Tuesday morning, March 29th.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that Carlton Read Lane, be and he is hereby authorized to be the person to have access to and to control the Safety Deposit Box on behalf of the City, in the Vancouver Safety Deposit Vaults, until otherwise notified.

Mr. Smith of the Forestry Department was present and addressed the Council stating that the Forestry Department is anxious to lease a lot for the purpose of erecting a small building for storage of Provincial Fire equipment.

Mr. Smith was instructed to submit a list of two or three lots which would be suitable.

Mrs. Gunning, by permission addressed the Council with reference to the condition of Sutherland Avenue.

Mrs. Gunning was informed that the Board of Works Committee would again take this matter under consideration.

The Finance Committee reported having interviewed Mr. Lane and the Financial Statement will be read for the end of the month.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer submit a preliminary report with respect to macadamizing 22nd Street between the Quarry and Sutherland Avenue, and south on Sutherland Avenue to Lynn Valley Road.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer submit a preliminary estimate for macadamizing St. Andrew's avenue from 15th to 18th Streets,

Also macadamizing 17th Street on Block between St. Andrew's and Ridgeway.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that the Engineer submit a report as to price at which crushed rock may be sold to residents of the City during the present year.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Engineer interview the District Engineer with a view to selling the District crushed rock from the City Quarry during the present year.

Alderman Irwin reported that the School Board very much appreciate the action of the Council in donating some shrubbery for use at the Schools and that the Board wish the City to plough up four corners of Ridgeway School ground for the planting of shrubbery.

moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the matter of ploughing up a portion of the Ridgeway School ground, be referred to the City Engineer with power to act.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that a tree located on Lot 10, Block 129, D.L. 274 in the opinion of this Council is dangerous to the Public, and the City Clerk, is hereby authorized to serve the required notice upon the owners or agents in accordance with the terms of the "Dangerous Trees Removal Bylaw, No. 313".

The Treasurer submitted a report dated March 21st, with respect to sinking fund surplus re general debentures, also re local improvement debentures to the affect that if the 1920 sinking fund is provided for, there would be a surplus in the Local Improvement Sinking fund account, amounting to \$18,175.05 and in the general debenture sinking fund account, there would be a surplus of \$26,850.42.

The Treasurer was requested to submit a report as to what percentage of annual reduction could be made on local improvement levy.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that a former resolution of Council authorized the issuing of cheques to members of the Fire Department on the 4th of the month following that in which salary is due, be reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that a former resolution of Council with respect to issuing of Firemen's cheques on the 4th of the month, be rescinded.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that cheques for the City Firemen's Payroll, be issued on the first day of each month, for the preceding month.

Moved by Alderman Cochrane seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a warning be inserted in the Press that parents will be held responsible for their children removing or destroying bulbs or flowers from the Parks or Boulevards.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Engineer be authorized to place two danger notices on Lonsdale Avenue, on north and one south of Lonsdale School.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Liquor Bylaw be laid on the table for one week.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that in case of sale of tax sale property that a clause be inserted in the Agreement for sale making provision that the purchaser or agent shall register his agreement in the Land Registry office within one week of delivery of same and failing such registration within such time, the City reserves the right to register and charge all costs and fees in connection therewith against the purchaser.

The Clerk submitted draft copies of price list containing 427 lots.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the price list as submitted by the Clerk be and it is hereby adopted, and the Clerk authorized to arrange for printing of same.

Alderman Irwin requested to be excused from voting.

Moved by Alderman Cochrane seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that a price of \$125.00 be fixed for the sale of Lot 8, of Lots 1 to 6, Block 21, D.L. 547-8 and Messrs. MacFarlane and Boyle of Victoria, notified accordingly.

The Clerk was instructed to arrange for a joint meeting if possible, between the City and District Councils for Wednesday or Thursday afternoon or evening of March 30th or 31st, either at the District Hall or City Hall.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that Real Estate brokers selling City tax sale property, be authorized to retain 10% out of the first payment of such sale, as commission.

Alderman Irwin not voting.

Moved by Alderman Irwin seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the authorized real estate brokers in North Vancouver, any real estate brokers in Vancouver known to be interested in North Vancouver properties, also West Vancouver real estate brokers, be invited to attend a conference on Tuesday night, March 29th at 8 p.m. re selling tax sale property.

Moved by Alderman McColl seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Mayor's and Aldermen's Indemnity Bylaw, 1921" be now reconsidered, finally adopted, signed by the Acting Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Pilling and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1920, No. 2" 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 Acting Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 453.

Moved by Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a Bylaw entitled "Measurement of Wood Bylaw, 1921" 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 Townsley seconded by Alderman Cochrane and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Measurement of Wood Bylaw, 1921" be now read a second time.
Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

At 11:50 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Cochrane seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the Council Chamber, on Tuesday, March 29th, 1921 at 9 p.m.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor