

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, MARCH 6TH, 1922 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Morden
Alderman Harron
Alderman McColl
Alderman Martinson
Alderman Prior
Alderman Townsley
Alderman Watson

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held February 20th, 1922, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Harron, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held February 27th, 1922, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Watson, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From M.J. Crehan, City Auditor, dated March 4th, being report on work, Ferry, Collector's and Treasurer's Department, etc.

Mr. Crehan being present, it was moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that this council do now proceed to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the above report of the Auditor.

Alderman McColl was appointed Chairman of the Committee.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Committee of the Whole, be adopted.

A delegation from the Kiwanis Club, being present, it was moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that said delegation be permitted to address the Council.

Whereupon President Walsh and Mr. A.L. Clements, addressed the Council, stating that the Kiwanis Club has been endeavouring to secure funds to purchase an ambulance to be donated to the City, they hope to secure an ambulance for about \$2,500 complete and suggest that it be kept at the Fire Hall, and operated from there, and that a fee be charged for the use of the ambulance.

Moved by Alderman Harron, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that a grant of \$250.00 be made towards cost of an ambulance which is to be presented to the City.

President Walsh thanked the Council for its generosity and requested that the wording to be placed on the ambulance be furnished the Kiwanis Club.

From George F. Nicholson, Acting Secretary, ratepayers Association, enclosing resolution from the Ratepayers Association, requesting that hereafter no appointments hall be made to the City Hall staff unless said appointee is a ratepayer.

Also that in view of the declaration that the City now requires from parties on relief scheme, that it is unnecessary to have a paid Clerk for the Unemployed.

Also inquiring when the City will start a regular work for the season and requesting that when the regular season's work is started that ratepayers get a preference.

Referred to New Business.

From P. Crute, Secretary Workers Protective Association requesting that single men be paid \$10.00 instead of \$6.40.

Moved by Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the above communication be filed.

From the City Engineer, dated March 6th, re Unemployed, reporting that owing to delay in signing affidavit by the men, the work has been disorganized all last week, 3 new registrations were affected during the week, making a total of 456 registered to date. The number of men reporting for work this morning was 70, which is less than the week before by 23. Number of affidavits delivered amount to 199. In the majority of affidavits the men have inserted the words at the end of clause 12 "If at Trades Union Rate of pay".

The Engineer also attached report from Mr. Easton of reports of investigation, and suggesting that a small committee be appointed to grade certain cases.

Referred to New Business.

From the Vancouver Board of Trade, enclosing letter with respect to B.C. Invitation Week, April 10th to 16th, suggesting that every man, woman and child in B.C. write a letter to some family or friend, inviting her or him to come and visit his or her own particular District.

Filed.

From W. Murphy, Fire chief, being report oaf fires with risks, insurance and losses for the month of February. Number of alarms 1, loss nil.

Filed.

From three Druggists, protesting against the increase in the Trades License Fee.
Referred to Finance Committee.

From the City Engineer, recommending that one of the horses turned over to the Board of Works Department by the Health Department be disposed of.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the matter of the disposal of one of the horses, of the Health Department Team, be left in the hands of the Mayor, Chairman of Finance and the Engineer.

From J.G. Farmer, stating that communication of the 22nd of January with regard to Fire Protection has been referred to Fire and Light Committee of the District council.
Filed.

From Mrs. Florence Hooper, Secretary, V.O.N. applying for permission to hold two tag days in aid of the funds of the V.O.N. on the 1st Saturday in May and on the 1st Saturday in October; also requesting permission to use a room in the City Hall for the purpose of a Baby Clinic.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the V.O.N. North Vancouver Branch, be granted permission to tag on the Streets and on the Ferries on May 6 and October 7th.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the request to use a room in the City Hall for the purpose of a Baby Clinic be filed for further reference.

From the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company, advising that the directors of the said Company are agreeable to granting permission for the City to lay a track across their land at the Southwest Corner of Esplanade West and Chesterfield Avenue, subject to a rental of \$10.00 per annum, payable in advance, and subject to termination upon sixty days notice in writing; the description of land will be "a triangle with 50 foot frontage on the Esplanade and 40 foot frontage on Chesterfield Avenue": stating that is immaterial whether the track is constructed on a trestle or a fill is made.
Referred to New Business.

From the Assistant Deputy of Marine & Fisheries, acknowledging receipt of a communication dated the 8th of February with respect to the construction of a terminal railway and for the establishment of a Car Barge Ferry service at Vancouver Harbour.
Filed.

From the Crane Shipyards Limited, complaining of the amount of Sawdust continuously settling over their Plant from the Burner of the E.C. Walsh Lumber Company.
Referred to the Industrial Committee and the Engineer, for report.

From the City Engineer, recommending that a three-plank walk be laid from View Street to the residence of Mrs. E. McEwen, 615 - 24th Street; approximate cost \$30.00.

Moved by Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above report and recommendation be received and adopted, and the Engineer authorized to proceed with the work.

From Alexander Smith and Irwin & Billings Company, requesting that the following lots be advertised for sale:

Lots 20 & 21, Block 73, D.L. 548/9,

Lots 36 & 37, Block 203, D.L. 544.

Moved by Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Martinson and resolved that the Clerk be authorized to insert an advertisement offering the above lots for sale.

From the Fire chief, containing his report of fires attended in the District in January; time of service, two hours and twenty minutes.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that an account be forwarded the District, at the rate of \$50.00 per hour or fraction thereof.

From the City Engineer, enclosing estimates for 1922 for the Board of Works, Water Works and Parks.

Referred to Estimates.

From the Wallace Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company enclosing list of employees for the months of January and February.

Filed.

From F.J. Bartholomew, stating that the work at Chesterfield Avenue has been held up for several days on account of the presence of cars, stating there is only the tamping to complete and the planking to lay and the work will be finished; requesting that ½ of his deposit be returned to him.

The Engineer reported, recommending that if the Solicitor sees no objection and also that all bills for materials, etc. have been paid, that his request be granted.

Referred to New Business.

From the International Amusement company, addressed to the License Inspector, applying for License for one week in the month of April, stating that they will have about 15 horses.

The Inspector reported in connection with above.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the License Inspector be advised that the above application must comply with the provisions of the Trades License Bylaw.

From A.G. Mitchell, 327 - 2nd Street West, stating that he has used Lots 28, 29, 30 and 31, Block 160, D.L. 271, as a garden, by permission of the owner, since 1917 and requesting permission from the City to retain the same privilege.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that in so far as the City has the right to do so, that the above request be granted, subject to sale.

From Ten Ratepayers, urging upon the Council the need of immediately starting the Season's work and thus providing Ratepayers, who are unable to accept Relief Work, with regular work.

Messrs. Coutts and Marrington by permission addressed the Council.

Moved by Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the City endeavour to get under way as soon as it is possible, rough grading or similar work on which Ratepayers may be exclusively employed. Alderman Prior suggested 25th Street, 24th West of Mahon and Chesterfield between 24th and 25th.

Alderman Watson drew attention to a letter appearing recently in the Press, with respect to alleged discrimination and the Clerk was instructed to have Mr. Lane submit a report, giving reasons why Mr. Martinson was let out.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Harron, and resolved that the Engineer advertise for tenders for Sidewalk Lumber.

Tenders were received from Alexander Smith, for the purchase of Lot 10, Block 113, D.L. 548, \$275.00; one-quarter cash, balance six, twelve, eighteen and twenty-four months at 8%; City to pay 10% of amount as Commission.

Moved by Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above tender be not accepted, their price being too low.

Tenders were received from W.L. Barker, for the purchase of Lot 21 of 2 & 3, Block 6, D.L. 548/9, \$50.00 cash.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the tender from W.L. Barker for the purchase of Lot 21 of 2 & 3, Block 6, D.L. 548/9 for \$50.00 cash, be accepted.

Tenders were received from Shoemaker & McLean and the North Shore Press, for furnishing 1,000 Time Cards, 2,000 Ticket Sellers' Report and 6 Books Ticket Receipt Forms.

Moved by Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman McColl that the lowest individual tender be accepted.

An amendment was offered.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Harron that the lowest tender in the aggregate, viz. Shoemaker & McLean in the amount of \$33.75 be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

A vote was taken as follows:

For the amendment: Alderman Watson, Alderman Townsley, Alderman Prior and Alderman Harron.

Against the amendment: Alderman Martinson and Alderman McColl.

The amendment was declared carried and the motion lost.

Reports and recommendations by the Health, Parks Water, Board of Works, Relief 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	\$108.80
Parks	57.75
Water	155.00
Board of Works	804.95

Relief	2,001.03
Ferry	8,018.78

A report of the Ferry Committee, as contained in the Committee's minutes of February 27th, 1922, was read, and on motion of Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

A report of the Returned Soldiers & Housing Committee, as contained in the Committee's minutes of February 27th, 1922, was read, and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Watson, adopted.

A report of the Waterworks Committee, as contained in the Committee's minutes of February 27th, 1922, was read, and on motion of Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

A report of the Finance Committee, as contained in the Committee's minutes of February 27th, 1922, was read, and on motion of Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Martinson, adopted.

A report of the Board of Works Committee, as contained in the Committee's minutes of February 27th, 1922, was read, and on motion of Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman Harron, adopted.

Alderman McColl reported that a Special Committee had interviewed the Local Manager of the B.C. Electric Railway Company with respect to laying temporary track on Semisch Avenue from First Street connecting with the trackage on the Esplanade and had been informed that the Company could not consider laying a line on the Esplanade from Lonsdale Avenue - that the present proposed line is only a temporary one and the rails will be removed immediately the cars have been placed on the track.

The matter of laying a track on the Esplanade from Lonsdale Avenue to the existing track on the Esplanade will be reported on at an early date.

Moved by Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above report of said Committee be received and that the request of the B.C. Electric Railway Company for permission to lay a temporary track on Semisch Avenue in accordance with letter of February 27th, instant, be approved; the work to be done to the satisfaction of the City Engineer in all respects, and the Company be informed that the City has not yet consented to the operation of one-man cars in North Vancouver.

The Clerk reported that the Treasurer had gone home sick - possibly with the Grip or Flu.

Moved by Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that in case of illness or absence from the Office of the City Treasurer, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to sign all City cheques instead of the City Treasurer, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Royal Bank of Canada, North Vancouver, with instructions to accept cheques as aforesaid, upon notice of the City Clerk, of the absence or illness of the City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the offer from the Royal Financial Corporation to sell to the City a \$500.00 Treasury Note due

December 1922, at the price of \$99 ³/₄ and interest, be and is hereby accepted and the Treasurer authorized to issue a cheque for such purpose.

The communication from the Ratepayers Association, referred to New Business, was then considered.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Ratepayers Association be advised that the appointments in each office has been left to the Head of the Department and the Council sees no reason to change this policy at the present time but it has instructed that Ratepayers have a preference.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Martinson and resolved that the matter of disposing of the services of a paid Clerk for the Unemployed be referred to the discretion of the Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the Association be informed that the matter of starting Ratepayers on regular work has already been disposed of by a previous motion, and that the Clerk communicates the above decision to the Secretary of the Ratepayers Association.

Regarding communication from F.J. Bartholomew with respect to return of one-half his deposit.

Moved by Alderman Harron, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the recommendation of the Engineer be accepted and that a cheque covering one-half his deposit be returned to Mr. Bartholomew.

Regarding communication from North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley that the offer of the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company to lease a triangular strip at the Esplanade and Chesterfield Avenue at a rental of \$10.00 per annum be accepted providing the form of Agreement is approved by the City Solicitor, and upon said Agreement being approved by the Solicitor and the Mayor and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

An amendment was offered.

Moved by Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman Prior that the communication from the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company, be laid over and the Engineer ascertain if the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company, will include in their Agreement an option to purchase.

A vote was taken as follows:

For the amendment: Alderman Prior, Alderman Harron, Alderman Martinson and Alderman McColl.

Against the amendment; Alderman Watson and Alderman Townsley.

The amendment was declared carried and the motion lost.

Moved by Alderman Harron, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the action of the Clerk be endorsed in filling in the Declarations for the Unemployed a special rate per hour instead of the words "Trade Union Rate", and that a committee consisting of the Chairman of Finance, the Engineer and Clerk be appointed to allot

amount of relief to be given in each case, the Council to endorse the action of said Committee.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that this Council do now proceed to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to take up Ferry matters and any other matter requiring attention. Alderman Watson was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

The Superintendent reported that no suitable boats are available either in Victoria or elsewhere except Vancouver to relieve No. 2 while she is on the Ways for annual overhaul: that he has been able to secure a price of \$9.00 per hour for the use of the Scenic.

Recommend that the Superintendent procure the services of the boat "Scenic" to go on the route while No. 2 is laid up for repairs, price \$9.00 per hour.

Recommend that the Superintendent arrange for the annual overhaul of No. 2.

Recommend that the Clerk and Superintendent net arrange for the reinsurance of No. 3.

Recommend that a letter be forwarded to the Wallace Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, requesting that in so far as it is possible, North Vancouver men be employed on repairs on No. 2.

Recommend that the matter of account for arrears for water on the Haddon Mill be referred to the Solicitor.

Recommend that the account of the Assessor, in the amount of \$260.00, be paid in full of account.

Recommend that the matter of dispensing with the services of Mr. Crute at the end of the present week be left in the hands of the Special Committee appointed to deal with Relief work.

Recommend that this Council discontinue Relief work at the end of March.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the Committee do now rise and report and request leave to sit again. Whereupon His Worship Mayor Morden reconvened the Council.

IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Committee of the Whole, be adopted.

Moved by Alderman Harron, seconded by Alderman Martinson and resolved that the Kiwanis Club be permitted to place the letter "K" on the door of the ambulance and also that a plate with the inscription "Donated to the City of North Vancouver by the Kiwanis Club in cooperation with other Associations on the North Shore", may be place don the inside of the Ambulance; and that the words "North Shore Ambulance" be painted on the outside.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that this Council do now adjourn to reconvene in the Council Chamber on Monday, March 13, 1922 at 9 p.m. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor