## MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>, 1922 AT 7:30 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Morden

Alderman Harron Alderman Martinson Alderman McColl Alderman Prior Alderman Townsley Alderman Watson

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Wallace Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company Ltd., advising that taxes for the years 1921 and 1922 for the south half of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 176, D.L. 274 have not been paid and owing to their not having received notices, that they should not be penalized.

Laid on the table until next meeting and the Treasurer requested to report as to whom tax notices were sent to in previous years.

From Walter Lambert, Naval Architect Montreal, Quebec, being telegram offering his services as Supervisor for proposed ferry.

Filed for reference.

The Engineer reported having interviewed the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company, with respect to proposed subdivision of Lot "A", D.L. 274, and Lot "X", D.L. 271, and stating that they are willing to allow 15 feet off Lot 1 shown on plan for a turning basin (55 ft x 25 ft).

Moved by Alderman Martinson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company be requested to submit an amended plan of subdivision showing a turning point on the western extremity of proposed lane in this property.

Alderman McColl took exception to some remarks passed at the Ratepayers meeting held August 11<sup>th</sup>.

The other Members of Council also spoke on the matter.

Alderman McColl reported verbally with respect to the Convention of the Union of Canadian Municipalities, held at Winnipeg, at which he represented the City Council.

Alderman McColl stated that Mr. Fred Cook who is Parliamentary Agent for the Union of Canadian Municipalities is really a watch dog in the interests of the Municipalities, which are members of the Union. He follows up everything that takes place and immediately anything is detrimental to a Municipality or Municipalities, he gets in touch with Mr. Shibley, Secretary, who gets the Union in motion in the interests of the Municipalities, and in that way we are indebted to the Union of Canadian Municipalities for its prompt action in different matters, without our being aware of same.

With respect to the matter of stamps on receipts. This is not to take effect until January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1923.

This consideration was due to the efforts of the Union.

With regard to the \$2.00 maximum on cheques, this also was obtained greatly by the efforts of the Union.

The original intention was to have a stamp duty on Municipal bonds, but owing to the action of the Union, this was entirely eliminated.

Alderman McColl also stated that there were very few resolutions passed, as this Union works all the year round in the interests of the Municipalities, instead of only at Convention time.

The resolution with respect to Old Age pensions was passed unanimously.

A great many resolutions were submitted in regard to the unemployment question, and these were finally boiled down to a resolution to the effect that the Dominion Government assume all responsibility for the unemployment relief of returned soldiers, and that the Dominion and provincial governments and Municipalities, each contribute one-third as formerly, for the other unemployment relief, but that the Municipalities have full power to use these men on all kinds of Municipal work, with no strings attached.

Alderman McColl further stated that he had visited several Cities in the East about the size of North Vancouver and found them taxed much higher than we are in B.C. owing to the improvement tax; and in his opinion our business is done in a more thorough manner in B.C. than it is in the East.

Alderman McColl stated further, that any information required by the Council at any time, will be supplied by the Union of Canadian Municipalities, upon application.

In closing, Alderman McColl stated that while he was not in favour of sending a delegate to this Convention every year, owing to the heavy expense, he was strongly in favour of our retaining our membership in the Union of Canadian Municipalities at all items, owing to the usefulness of the Association.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the report of Alderman McColl, with regard to the Sessions of the Convention of the Union of Canadian Municipalities be received.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that Mr. H.B. Watson make an interim report with respect to conversion of Larson's Hotel into a City Hall.

Mr. Watson submitted sketch plans No. 1 and 2, for the consideration of the Council.

At 8 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that this Council do now take a recess of 10 minutes to examine the plans.

At 8:10 p.m. His Worship Mayor Morden, called the Council to order.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that Mr. Watson be requested to proceed with his report under sketch plan No. 2.

Letter was submitted from J.A. Gairdner of Gairdner, Clarke & Co., dated August 23<sup>rd</sup>, amending offer of the 19<sup>th</sup>, as follows:

That we sell \$189,000. Victory bonds 1934 at 100.50 and accrued interest and purchase \$264,743.04 Dominion of Canada guaranteeing C.N.O.R. 3 1/2¢ Debenture Stock due 1961, at 71.73 and interest.

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the matter of sale of Victory Bonds and purchase of C.N.O.R. bonds be referred to the Mayor and Chairman of the Finance committee with power to act, and with instructions to complete the deal providing details are arranged satisfactorily.

Moved by Alderman McColl, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that this Council do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider possible economizing in civic departments.

Mayor Morden appointed Alderman Townsley, Chairman of the Committee.

## **IN COMMITTEE**

## IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the report and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, be and they are hereby adopted.

At 10:50 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Watson, seconded by Alderman McColl and resolved that this Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 1922, at 9 p.m. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor