

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, MARCH 5TH, 1923 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Donaghy
Alderman Bridgman
Alderman Irwin
Alderman Prior
Alderman Townsley

Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held February 19th, 1923, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held February 26th, 1923, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for registration of Bylaw No. 562.
Filed.

From P.A.O. Sankey, 242 – 24th Street West, complaining of the impassable state of Chesterfield Avenue, between 23rd Street and 24th Street, and the poor state of the road on 24th from Chesterfield to Mahon.
Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

From McNair Lumber & Shingles Limited, requesting that a fire alarm box be installed on Esplanade west, to serve the industries located in that vicinity.
Referred to the Fire and Light Committee and the Fire chief for a report.

From H.W. Parsons, Secretary North Vancouver Choral Society, requesting the patronage of the Council on the 7th instant, at Lonsdale Theatre.
Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that as many of the Council as can possibly do so, attend the annual concert of the Choral Society on March 7th at the Lon dale Theatre.

From J.B. Cuthbert, 242 – 28th Street West, requesting some repairs on 28th Street West.
Referred to the Board of Works Committee for report.

From E.G. Harris, 308 – 28th Street West, requesting improvements to the street.
Referred to the Board of Works Committee for report.

From J. McKeith, suggesting that when slashing is being done on the street boulevards, that some shade trees be left, suggesting dog wood, cascara, Maple, Cotton wood and Mountain ash.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that Mr. McKeith be thanked for his suggestion and that communication be referred to the Parks Committee.

From J. McKeith, suggesting that one block or more, be planted with dogwood trees, possibly 3rd Street, south side.

Referred to Parks Committee.

From W. Murphy, Fire Chief, being report of fires, for the month of February, with risks, insurance and losses.

Filed.

From Geo. F. Nicholson, Secretary North Vancouver Ratepayers Association, inquiring if it is the intention of the Council to look into the question of cheaper lighting; also suggesting that the time is now ripe to set aside tax sale property for school sites, parks and playgrounds; also that the marking of the streets be looked into, and where signs are missing that they be replaced.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee, Board of Works Committee and Tax Sale Land Committee.

From the Secretary, Union Canadian Municipalities, advising that a meeting of the Executive will be held at the City Hall, Ottawa, on Monday March 26th, at 2 p.m.

The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge and file the communication.

From the City Clerk, New Westminster, enclosing copy of letter to J.W.B. Blackman, dated January 27th, in which he had been asked what course he adopted in respect to inspection of the pipe for waterworks purposes, and stating in his letter to the Council that Mr. Blackman had forwarded a bill for his report, in the amount of \$25.00, wishing to know whether this account is rendered with the knowledge and consent of this Council.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that a reply be forwarded advising that the Council had not been consulted in the matter, this being the first information received, and that the Council looks upon it as a personal matter.

From the City Engineer, stating that he had been requested by the City Clerk, New Westminster, for information as to his practise in testing waterworks pipe, that his report had been given from his own private data and not from any experience had in North Vancouver; that the report was made up in his own time.

Filed.

From R.B.C. Munday, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, requesting that he be forwarded the moiety granted for distribution in accordance with the "Police Act" in the case of Chin King, Wong Chong and Wah who had been sentenced by the Police Magistrate on February 9th, under Section 4, subsection 2 of the "Opium and Narcotic Drug Act" fines being \$25.00 and costs, the moiety in the three cases being a total of \$37.50.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque in the amount of \$37.50 payable to Royal Canadian Mounted Police, moiety Chin King, Wong Chong and Wah.

From the Deputy Provincial Secretary, enclosing certified copy of Order-in-Council, approving Ferry Operation Amendment Bylaw 1923, this communication having been laid on the table at previous meeting.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a former resolution of this Council, appointing all the members of the Council as a Ferry Committee, be reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Ferry committee for the remainder of this year, consist of Alderman Tolmie, Chairman; Alderman Bridgman, Alderman Stoker and Mayor Donaghy .

From the Clerk, reporting that the Court of Revision has completed its work, and the Assessment Rolls have been revised, altered, amended and confirmed as amended, net assessment for land in the City \$8,327,457.00, net assessment for improvements \$4,111,828.00, value of land exempt from taxation \$1,868,990.00, improvements \$451,380.00.

The Clerk stated that it is necessary to forward a return to the Inspector of Municipalities, who wishes to know whether taxes will be levied upon any portion of the assessed value of improvements.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that there be not tax on improvements for the year 1923.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the particulars of the transfer of Block 123, be forwarded to the Minister of Justice, and also to the Federal Representative.

From the North Shore Garage, requesting permission to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank in place of the one already installed.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above request be granted, subject to same being installed to the satisfaction of the Engineer's Department, the Fire Chief, and Underwriters regulations.

From the City Engineer, advising having interviewed Mr. Fellowes, with regard to disposing of the Mack truck. The Mack truck is too heavy for the work Vancouver is doing at the present time.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Engineer circularize contractors, asking for offers for the purchase of the Mack truck, to be received on the 19th instant.

From the City Collector, being report of collections for the month of February.
Received and filed.

From the City Treasurer, dated March 5th, enclosing report of passenger receipts due the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, for the month of February, total being \$101.30, and requesting authority to pay out same.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a cheque in the amount of \$101.30 in settlement of passenger receipts due the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, for the month of February.

From W. Harris, 14th and Boulevard, applying to have the ditch cleaned out on 14th Street, south side of the road, from Queensbury to Sutherland, also to have the Sutherland Avenue ditch made deeper.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

TENDERS were received from E.C. Walsh Lumber Company and Cantelon Lumber and Shingle Company for lumber for No. 2 Fire Hall.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the tender from E.C. Walsh Lumber Company for supplying lumber, delivered to No. 2 Fire Hall, as per specification, at the price of \$328.45 be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

Tenders were received from Alex. Smith & Company; and Irwin & Billings Company, also W.D. McFarland for public liability on 4 ladder trucks, the Board of Works car, Waterworks car and the ambulance.

The rates quoted by Irwin & Billings and Alex Smith were both board rates, the rates quoted by W.D. McFarland & Co., being non tariff.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the policy of this council with respect to public liability insurance on the cars, is board insurance, and that the insurance on the City cars be divided equally between Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., and Alexander Smith & Company.

Alderman Irwin not voting.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks, Police and Health 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	\$1,623.50
School	\$9,492.52
Ferry	\$8,241.54
Board of Works	\$765.40
Waterworks	\$293.65
Fire & Light	\$1,085.00
Parks	\$59.05
Police	\$1,150.00
Health	\$300.00

The report of the Ferry Committee, as contained in the Committee's Minutes of March 26th, 1923, was read and on motion of Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman, adopted.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the School Board be requested to amend the ordinary estimates by eliminating the cost of temporary structures from the ordinary estimates, and that same be submitted as an extraordinary estimate, and that the Clerk intimate to the Board, the Council's willingness to raise said amount by mileage for the year 1923, viz., \$4,250.00.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that a special meeting of a Committee, consisting of the Whole Council, be held at 7:30 p.m. on March 9th.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the City plans in the Engineer's Department, be valued at \$4,000.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Auditor and treasurer be requested to meet with the Finance Committee on Monday, March 12th, at 7:30 p.m.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to forward cheque to the Auditor for the balance of last year's salary.

The following recommendations from a meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council held at 7:30 p.m. Mach 5th, were submitted and read:

RECOMMEND that the West Vancouver Municipality be charged a rental of \$200.00 per month, as from January 1st, 1923, for rental privilege at the Vancouver wharf.

RECOMMEND that the matter of chartering "West Vancouver No. 5" to replace No. 2 while on the annual overhaul, be referred to the Superintendent with power to act, charge to be \$9.00 per hour for approximately 3 weeks.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent purchase four whalebone toilet seats for No. 3, price \$16.10 each, net, plus sales tax.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be authorized to order 100 tons coke screenings at price of \$4.00 per ton, delivered North Vancouver.

The Superintendent reported that No. 3 Ferry is expected to be on the run on Wednesday the 7th instant.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent adjust the position of the clocks at both terminals.

RECOMMEND that the superintendent prepare list of visible work on No. 2 and call for tenders on said visible work, also tender on percentage over cost on the invisible work, and that an Inspector be on the job.

RECOMMEND that the Fire Chief be authorized to procure new battery for fire apparatus.

Communication was read from the Police Magistrate, dated March 5th, who had attended a meeting in Vancouver re Juvenile Court and Detention Home.

Mrs. Cooper, President of the New Era League, was present and stated that the New Era League recommends that the jurisdiction of Judge McGill be enlarged to take care of the North Shore as well as Municipalities surrounding Vancouver.

RECOMMEND that Alderman Tolmie be appointed representative from this City re Juvenile Court and Detention Home; also that Mr. L.W. Doney attend in an advisory capacity; also that Mrs. Cooper, President of the New Era League, be requested to attend in an advisory capacity.

RECOMMEND that in consideration of the fact that the late Ferry Superintendent, Mr. G.W. Campbell ordered Ferry No. 3 on the Wallace ways on the 28th February, being the last day of his engagement with the City, and apparently made arrangements with the Wallace Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company for certain work to be done on the boat, and gave instructions for lumber and material to be delivered, without the sanction of the Ferry Committee, that this Committee is of the opinion that it is advisable for the work to be carried out by the local firm, but that the present Superintendent engage a timekeeper to check up the time of the men engaged on such work, and that the action of the Committee be confirmed.

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

Alderman Tolmie reported that a party had made application for rental privilege on the Vancouver side for the purpose of shipping liquor; that he had instructed the Freight Clerk not to permit liquor to be loaded by the party in question.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above action of the Chairman of the Ferry Committee be confirmed.

Moved by Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this Council do now proceed to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, to consider various matters, and that Alderman Bridgman, be Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

Report was received from the City Engineer, dated March 2nd with respect to Chesterfield wharf, and the Agreement between the City and Yorke & Son, with respect to the use of trackage.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer secure all possible information, with respect to condition of Chesterfield wharf as at the termination of the lease with the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, and that same be pale don file;

Also that the Engineer report on accidents while Yorke & Son have been operating the car barge, also submit report on the equipment used by Yorke & son.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Blackman be granted holidays after March 12th instant.

The North Vancouver School Debenture Bylaw, 1923, in the amount of \$67,000.00 was considered, clause by clause.

The Clerk reported that a few minor alterations had been made in the wording of the draft

RECOMMEND that the "North Vancouver School Debenture Bylaw, 1923" as amended, be approved.

Moved by Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Committee do now rise and report.

Whereupon His Worship reconvened the Council.

IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

Moved by Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver School Debenture Bylaw, 1923" be now read a third time.

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

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the bylaw entitled "The North Vancouver school Debenture Bylaw, 1923" be submitted to the Electors of the City of North Vancouver for a vote, as to whether the Bylaw shall be confirmed, on Saturday the 24th day of March 1923, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m., at 122 First Street West,

AND THAT R.F. Archibald be and he is hereby appointed Returning Officer to take the vote of the Electors as aforesaid, on said Bylaw, with the usual powers in that behalf.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1923, No. 6" and that the said Bylaw receive three 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 Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1923, No. 6", be now read a second time.

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

The Clerk was instructed to get a written opinion from the Solicitor with respect to the legality of the option that had been given to Crane Shipyards to purchase Lot 3, Block 173, D.L. 274;

That the City Solicitor and the Solicitor for the Western Pacific Grain Elevator and Terminal Limited, confer and pass upon the legality of an option from the City to the Western Pacific Grain Elevator & Terminal Limited, with respect to Lots 13 to 23, Block 171, D.L. 274.

A draft letter was submitted to be forwarded to the Western Pacific Grain Elevator and terminal Limited, dated March 6th, with respect to leasing to the Western Pacific Grain Elevator & Terminal Limited, for a term of 20 years at \$1.00 per year and taxes, the Company to have the right to purchase at an arbitrated value at 5, 1, 15 or 19 years; the Company to commence and carry through to completion, building of the a first unit of grain elevators, the first unit to have a capacity of 1,500,000 bushels; operation and construction to commence within six months after the commencement of construction of the Second Narrows Bridge, and to be completed with in eighteen months, the Municipality to be protected against liens.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above communication be forwarded to the Western Pacific Grain Elevator & Terminal Limited, subject to the City Solicitor and the Company Solicitor passing upon the legality.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the Solicitor report to the Chief of Police, with respect to the amount of the License fee to be collected from J. Rushton.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, March 12th, 1923 at 9 p.m.
Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed D. Donaghy, Mayor