

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, AUGUST 27TH, 1923 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Board of School Trustees, dated August 15th, requesting that a date be fixed when an estimate of extraordinary expenditure may be formally laid before the Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that August 27th be set as the date to receive an estimate of extraordinary expenditure for the Board of School Trustees.

From the Board of School Trustees, enclosing estimate of extraordinary expenditure:

- (a) For the completion of new High School, \$12,500.00;
 - (b) Grading ground in vicinity of High School, \$1,500.00;
- Total \$14,000.00 net.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this Council disapprove of the estimate of extraordinary expenditure for the School Board, as submitted above.

From the Board of School Trustees, requesting that the necessary steps be taken to submit for the assent of the Electors a Bylaw for the purpose of raising \$14,000.00 net.

Laid on the table.

From George McCartney, Superintendent B.C. Telephone Company, requesting permission to install a telephone in a box on the first pole north of the Esplanade, on the east side of Lonsdale, for the use of the Dollarton Stage Company.

Also report from the Chief of Police, recommending that the application be refused on account of confusion, making it difficult for the Police Office r to distinguish between the different bells. Also, recommending that notice be given to all parties now enjoying the privilege at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue that their rights be cancelled.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the request of the Telephone Company to install a telephone for the Dollarton Stage Company be not granted in the meantime; and that all interested parties get together and suggest some scheme acceptable to the Police Department.

From the Plumbing Inspector, reporting that he is inspecting the plumbing in the down town district and all leaking fixtures are being ordered to be repaired.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the inspector report further at next meeting.

From the Secretary, North Vancouver Lawn Bowling Club, inviting the Mayor and Aldermen and their wives to be present at the official opening of the new Bowling Ground on Saturday, September 8th, at 3 p.m.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the above invitation be accepted and that as many as possible endeavour to be present.

From the Vancouver Dredging and Salvage Company, stating that the Tug "Helac" had assisted at the fire at McNair's Mill on August 1st, and requesting to be advised if the City considers that they had rendered good assistance on that occasion, they not looking for any remuneration.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above communication be referred to the Fire Chief, for report.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Chairman of the Ferry Committee submit report on the cost of equipping No. 3 Ferry for fire fighting purposes.

From J.A. Thomas, Provincial Fire Marshall, advising that a Meeting is to be held in the Court House, Vancouver, at 2:30 p.m., September 5th, re Sawmill Refuse Burner.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Alderman Townsley and the Fire Chief be deputed to attend the above meeting.

From the Secretary, B.C. Trans-Provincial Highway Association, asking the endorsement of the building of a Trans-Provincial Highway via the Fraser River in opposition to the building of the proposed Hope-Princeton Road.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that this Council do not take sides in recommending either route but that this Council does approve of the Government constructing a Trans-Provincial Highway at as early a date as possible.

From the Clerk of the District of North Vancouver, requesting that the Chief of the Fire Department answer direct calls from the Vancouver Creosoting Company and the Capilano Timber Company in case of fire.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Fire Chief be authorized in case of fire to answer calls from the Vancouver Creosoting Company and the Capilano Timber Company, in compliance with the request contained in a letter from the District of North Vancouver, dated August 23rd, at rate previously arranged – namely, \$350.00 per call; and that the two

Companies referred to be thanked for their cooperation with the City in providing fire fighting protection.

From J. McCready, Superintendent of Works, dated August 27th, reporting having attended the Good Roads Convention.

The Convention endorsed the principal of a tax not to exceed three cents on gasoline – this sum to be ear-marked for road purposes, providing that a pro rate a reduction be made on the License Tax.

A number of resolutions were disposed of – calling for construction of sections of roads on Vancouver Island.

Convention was also in favour of connecting up the Coast with roads in the Interior as early as possible.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above report of the Superintendent of Works be received and that this Council endorse the action of the Good Roads Convention at its recent session.

Alderman Bridgman reported in connection with the Good Roads Convention that the Marine Drive from the Bridge to the Light House at Caulfields had been endorsed as a Primary Highway.

From Superintendent of Works, dated August 27th; enclosing communication of A.J. Tremere, with reference to the sidewalk, 339 – 25th Street East; That the Board of Works on March 19th, had inspected the ground and recommended that they could not see their way clear to take any further action in the meantime.

Filed.

From the Superintendent of Works, dated August 27th, reporting that a special committee had waited on the B.C. Electric Railway Company, Local Manager on the 22nd instant.

The question of lighting rates was taken up and Mr. Perry informed the Committee that an Agreement similar to South Vancouver could be had by the City of North Vancouver at any time, on the same conditions, namely, 6¢ per K.W. and a minimum of 50¢, providing the Council agree, or enter into an Agreement, confirming the 6¢ car fare for a period of five years.

The question of filling in between the tracks was also taken up and Mr. Perry is taking up with the heads of the B.C. Electric Railway Company the question of putting timber eight inches on each side of the Rails and renew all defective ties; the City to fill in between the Fenders with Tar Macadam.

The question of putting in a permanent track with a concrete base between the Rails and making provision for eight inch sets or blocks on each side – appeared to Mr. Perry as impossible in the meantime.

The City will be notified as early as possible what action the Company is prepared to take.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that a Joint Meeting of the two Councils be held at as early a date as possible re

B.C. Electric Railway Company lighting and tram rates; also cost of light extensions.

From London Guarantee & Accident Company, being notice of expiry of Bond on G. Scott at the Ferry.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a renewal of the above be referred to the Chairman of the Ferry Committee with power to act.

From the Superintendent of Works, requesting a ruling of Council with reference to request from Cameron Lumber Company, Victoria, for schedule of water rates – charge for Householders and Industrial Plants.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above communication be received and filed.

From the Superintendent of Works, reporting that the eight inch regulating valve at 18th & Keith is worn out, and stating that he is of opinion that a new pressure regulator is required with flanged ends and extension joints; cost of regulator \$526.15.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above report and recommendation be received and adopted and the Superintendent of Works authorized to install a pressure regulator, chargeable to Bylaw money.

From Superintendent of Works, re complaint A.B. Kirwin, 612 – 4th East, recommending that a half-inch pipe be lifted and one inch pipe laid for a distance of about 200 feet and three-quarter inch for the balance; estimated cost \$80.00; pipe is in stock; labour would be about \$25.00.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above report and recommendation be received and adopted and the Superintendent authorized to proceed with the work.

From the Secretary, Horticultural Society, conveying appreciation for the prompt and efficient action of the Parks Committee in improving the Horticultural Grounds.

Filed.

From A.L. Jessup, stenographer in the Clerk's Office, with respect to salary and holidays.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Clerk, enclosing declaration of service of Notice re vacating North Vancouver Hotel Property.

Filed.

From the City Solicitor, dated August 27th, enclosing draft Trust Deed between Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, The Montreal Trust Company, The District of North Vancouver and the City of North Vancouver; together with comments on the form of Deed. Also enclosing draft Agreement between the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company and the City of North Vancouver with respect to guaranteeing Debentures to the amount of \$257,500.00 of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that the draft Trust Deed between the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, The Montreal Trust Company, the District of North Vancouver, and the City of North Vancouver; as submitted by the Solicitor; be approved, and the Mayor and Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the draft Agreement between the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company and the City of North Vancouver, re guarantee of Debentures to the amount of \$257,500.00 be approved and the Mayor and Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

From the City Treasurer, dated August 37th, re purchase of securities with Sinking Funds.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above communication from the City Treasurer be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Tenders were received for the purchase of Tax Sale Property as follows:

From A.E. Craighead, for purchase of Lot 20, Block 230, D.L. 545/6, price \$200.00 on terms; Also letter dated August 27th, from the same party, offering to purchase the same property at \$150.00 cash.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above offer on terms be accepted and the offer for cash rejected.

From Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., on behalf of Dora H. Earland to purchase Lot 11, Block 141, D.L. 274, at the price of \$850.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that the above offer be accepted.

Alderman Irwin not voting.

Reports and recommendations by the Health, Parks, Board of Works and Waterworks 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	\$88.50
Parks	\$290.15
Board of Works	\$955.43

Water Works

\$99.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that the Isolation Hospital be dismantled, and the Superintendent of Works and Sanitary Inspector authorized to arrange for storing of doors and windows, etc., and that the account of J.L. Parkin, as caretaker, be paid up to time his services are dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that the Clerk and Medical Health Officer be authorized to dispose of the equipment lately used at the Isolation Hospital, at their discretion.

Messrs. Henderson & Bookhout appeared before the Council with respect to Insurance on their houses – under Better Housing. Mr. Henderson stated that he is prepared to insure his property in any Canadian or British Non-Board Company; and that he considers it a hardship to have to pay the Board rate.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that Mr. G.M. Henderson be granted permission to insure his property in any Canadian or British Board or Non-Board Company.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a resolution of last Meeting of Council, with respect to insuring Soldiers Houses only in Board Companies, be amended by inserting the words “Except in such cases as Council approves otherwise”.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that the Clerk be authorized, when Bridge Debentures are executed, to cooperate with Mr. Farmer of the District in having same certified by the Municipal Inspector.

Mayor Donaghy reported re Newspaper Reports; with respect to Fraser River being better adapted for Terminals and Elevators than Burrard Inlet; that he had been in touch with Mayor Tisdale; that the matter is being taken up with the Vancouver City Council and also with the Boards of Trade.

Alderman Tolmie, as President of the Board of Trade, stated that the Board of Trade is prepared to cooperate with the City Council in featuring Burrard Inlet for Terminals and Elevators.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley, and resolved that the Mayor, Alderman Bridgman, Alderman Tolmie and Alderman Irwin continue to act in the matter of putting forward the claims of Burrard Inlet as a site for Terminals and Elevators, in cooperation with various parties interested, with power to act.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that a reorganization of the Solicitor's position is advisable and that Mr. Sutton be given notice that his services be no longer desired after September 30th, 1923.

Further, that the Mayor appoint a special committee to look into the question and advise the Council:

- (first) Salary to be paid;
- (second) Work to be done;
- (third) The one in their opinion who is best fitted to serve the City in this position.

An amendment was offered.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley, that the matter of reorganization of the Solicitor's position be referred to Committee of the Whole, to be dealt with this evening.

For the amendment: Aldermen Irwin, Townsley, Tolmie.

Against the amendment: Aldermen Bridgman, Prior.

The amendment was declared carried.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw to provide for the extraordinary estimates of the School Board be prepared in the amount of \$14,500.00, 6%, 25 year.

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

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that a reorganization of the Solicitor's position is advisable and that Mr. Sutton be given notice that his services be no longer desired after 30th September 1923. Further that the Mayor appoint a special committee to look into the question and advise the Council – first, the salary to be paid; second, the work to be done and third, the one in their opinion who is best fitted to serve the City in this position.

Alderman Irwin and Alderman Townsley, voting against.

His Worship Mayor Donaghy appointed Alderman Bridgman, Alderman Tolmie, Alderman Prior and the Mayor as such Committee.

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

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the following report and recommendation of the Ferry Committee be received and adopted:

That the purchase of Ferry tickets that may be required be referred to the Chairman of the Ferry Committee and treasurer with power to act.

That a communication from the B.;C. Auto Association, to the Ferry Superintendent, asking for better regulation of traffic at the Vancouver Wharf, be filed.

That on the recommendation of the Ferry Superintendent, that Mrs. Huggett be appointed Ticket Seller at the Ferries at a salary of \$80.00 per month, as from September 1st.

Alderman Bridgman voting against the recommendation with respect to the appointment of Mrs. Huggett as ticket seller.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1923, No. 14" 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 Mayor and Acting City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal; No. 588.

At 11:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Council do now adjourn.

Signed W.J. Irwin, Acting Mayor