

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 1923,

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

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held October 1st, 1923, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman, adopted.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Regular Order of Business be suspended, and that Mr. A.G. Perry be permitted to address the Council.

Whereupon Mr. Perry addressed the Council and submitted a petition signed by a number of ratepayers in Block 89, D.L. 550 agreeing to transfer to the City a strip of land 10 feet wide in the rear of their lots, for the purpose of constructing and the immediate opening up of a lane in said Block.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the matter of providing a lane in Block 89, D.L. 550, be referred to the Solicitor for report re expropriation and a Local Improvement Bylaw charging the cost to the owners.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Women's Auxiliary to the Vancouver General Hospital, thanking the Council for granting permission to tag on September 22nd.

Filed

From Walter Owen, requesting that he be given a preference to purchase Lot 29, Block 108, D.L. 271 which reverted to the City, being sold in 1922, he is the former owner.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that Mr. Owen be notified that the Policy of the Council has always been to give a preference where possible, to a former owner.

From Winnifred Fleck, secretary B.C. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, applying for permission to tag on October 27th.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above Society be advised that owing to the large number of applications for Tag Days, it is found necessary to curtail permission for tag days, as they interfere with the larger charities.

From the Salvation Army, applying for permission to tag on October 13th.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Salvation Army be advised that the Council regrets that their application was too late to be dealt with at regular meeting of Council, and suggest that application be made early next year for Tag Day for the year 1924.

From the Secretary, board of school Trustees, advising that the School Board has confirmed the tentative arrangement that the sum of \$600.00 be contributed by the School Board towards the cost of the installation of a sewer on 23rd Street East, from Lonsdale Avenue to the High School.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the superintendent be authorized to construct sewer to High School, from Lonsdale Avenue.

From James Wilson, requesting permission to cut up the old flag pole lying in Victoria Park East, for firewood.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the old flag pole lying in Victoria Park East be offered to the School Board, if they so desire.

From the Police Commissioners, respectfully requesting the Council to instruct the Solicitor to draft and submit a Bylaw under Sub-section 142, Section 54 of the "Municipal Act" prohibiting the setting off of fire balls, squibs, crackers of fire works on all streets in the City.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above communication be received, adopted, and the Solicitor instructed to prepare and submit Bylaw.

From the Ladies Auxiliary, Army and Navy Veterans, requesting the assistance of the Council towards Poppy Day campaign, by purchasing a Memento for the occasion.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that a Poppy wreath or bouquet be purchased to the extent of \$7.50 the Clerk to arrange same.

From the North Vancouver Taxi, requesting that they be given permission to install a small telephone bell, horn or whistle at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue, which would not in any way conflict with the Police bell.

Also from the Alert Taxi Service, stating that they have gone to considerable expense in advertising their telephone at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue, all of which will be a dead loss, if they are forced to remove their bell from Lonsdale Ave.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above communications be referred to the Chief of Police for further report, explaining that some members of the Council have had a test of the

telephones and do not think that a telephone bell would interfere with the Police Patrol call.

From the Fire Chief, submitting report of the Fire Department for the month of September. Number of alarms 7, total loss \$530.00.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above report of the Fire Department be received and filed.

From the Chief Constable, submitting report dated October 5th, re Mrs. Cook, 158 – 14th Street East.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Assessor, re Lot 10, Block 48A, D.L. 548, lot owned by the City on 15th Street, but which is not a tax sale lot, and suggesting that the same be sold at the price of \$250.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above matter be referred to Alderman Irwin, Alderman Townsley and the Solicitor for report.

The Clerk reported having received a copy of the "Canada Gazette" proclaiming the week commencing October 7th and ending October 13th as Fire Prevention week; that the literature relieved had been forwarded to the Chief of the Fire Department who had taken the matter up with the Schools.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above action of the Fire Chief be endorsed.

From John G. Farmer, C.M.C., North Vancouver, enclosing copy of a letter received from the Public Works Engineer, suggesting that the Council take some steps toward regulating traffic on the Moodyville Road before the advent of wet weather.

Communication was laid over for attention at a joint meeting of the Councils.

From the City Solicitor, advising that in his opinion it would be inadvisable to amend the Building Bylaw to provide for the installation of "letter-boxes" as he doubts whether the Council has power to make any such provision and stating that the Postal authorities have the remedy in their own hands.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above report be received and the Post Office Department notified accordingly.

From Geo. Kidd, President B.C. Electric Railway Company, enclosing copies of Agreement between the Company and the Electrical workers and copies of the Agreements entered into between the Company and the Corporation of South Vancouver relating to rates for Domestic lighting and street Railway fares.

Alderman Townsley reported that a joint deputation had waited on the B.C. Electric Railway Company, which Company is agreeable to enter into an agreement similar to that with South Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Solicitor in consultation with the Solicitor of the District of North Vancouver draft an Agreement for the reduction of domestic lights, and fixing the present street car rates for a period of three years, with Arbitration clause.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Superintendent of Works bring in a detailed estimate of cost of making repairs to B.C. Electric Railway Company track from the water to 8th Street, also in connection with alterations re change in the Rule of the Road.

From the Secretary, North Vancouver Ratepayers Association, inquiring the reason of the dismissal of the City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the City of North Vancouver Ratepayers Association be informed that the action taken with respect to the dismissal of the City Solicitor, was for the good of the service.

From the Superintendent of Works, dated October 13th, re complaint of Mr. Erickson re condition of the old bridge known as Third Street Bridge, stating that this bridge was originally built by the Government, has been washed out, is now closed and notice posted accordingly. Any action now taken would involve the Council in responsibility for the structure as it stands, recommending that no action be taken.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Mr. Erickson be informed that the Council is considering some action with respect to Third Street Bridge, but not at the present time.

From F.R. Robertson, 15th Street East, requesting some access to his premises.

The Superintendent of Works reported recommending a three plank crossing on 15th Street from the north side to edge of macadam road and from south edge of macadam road to property, estimated cost \$15.00.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report be received, adopted and the work authorized.

From Albert Searles, Moody Avenue, applying for a sidewalk and pointing out that the road on Moody Avenue is not in the proper place and in poor state of repair.

The Superintendent of Works reported having examined same, that the applicant has access to his house by sidewalk from 19th Street, all deliveries are made from 19th Street, suggesting that the question of the road and sidewalk be laid over and recommended to the Incoming Council.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report and recommendation be received and adopted, and the application referred to the Incoming Council.

From J. P. Fell, dated October 5th, suggesting that the City, the Northern Construction Company and the Lonsdale Estate, should share in the cost of deepening and straightening the channel of Lynn Creek as far up as 5th Street.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From George O. Webster, being application for Motor License under Schedule "B" viz., on other streets than between the Esplanade and the Water.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that Mr. Geo. O. Webster be granted Motor License under Schedule "B" subject to the approval of the Chief of Police.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing draft form of notice under Section 18 of the 1921 Amendment to the "Municipal Act" where purchasers under Agreements for sale, are in default.

The Clerk reported having ordered the required forms as previously instructed. Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above action of the Clerk be endorsed.

From A.C. Sutton, stating that before the end of last month he had gone over Local Improvement Bylaws with the Clerk and is of opinion that they are now in order and suggesting that the Clerk be sent to Victoria to go over procedure with the Municipal Inspector.

Filed.

From the City treasurer, enclosing copies of his report of July 30th, re Amendment to the Waterworks Bylaw.

The Clerk reported that copies of above report had been mailed to each member of the Council.

The report was considered.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Waterworks Regulation Bylaw be amended to allow 10% discount instead of 20%.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Waterworks Regulation Bylaw be amended to provide that minimum charge be \$5.00 instead of \$4.50;

Also that actual charge for ordinary connection where a main is installed, be cost, and that a deposit of \$5.00 be made at time of application and adjustment subsequently made on basis of actual cost,

That where main does not pass the property, the Council to have full control, Building Inspector not to issue Building Permit without submitting application to Council,

Also that a clause be inserted giving power to Council to refuse to extend the water service.

It was suggested that a rate of \$6.00 per year, per room, be charged to Schools.

The Clerk was instructed to ascertain the basis of charge for Schools in Burnaby, South Vancouver and Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the matter of charge for water to the Schools be referred to the Board of Works Committee to take up with the School Board, when inspecting the proposed entrance to the High School.

From the City Treasurer, enclosing report of Pacific Great Eastern Railway tickets sold at Ferry Wharf, during month of September, amount \$373.55.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue cheque payable to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway in the amount of \$373.55, in settlement of sale of Pacific Great Eastern Railway tickets for the month of September.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing letter from C.B. McNeill, Solicitor for Mrs. A.M. McKay, re Lot 41, Block 235, D.L. 546, stating that there are no registered restrictions in the Land Registry Office with respect to Tempe Heights property, that Mrs. McKay had no notice of there being any restrictions, and is entitled to a refund of the amount paid by her to the City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the matter of the purchase of Lot 41, Block 235, D.L. 546 by Mrs. A.M. McKay, be referred to the Clerk and Solicitor with power to adjust the matter, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue cheque for the amount of instalment paid by Mrs. McKay, including commission paid by the City.

From the Indian Agent, C.C. Perry, enclosing cheque for \$150.00 services of the Fire Department, in responding to two calls at Squamish Mission No. 1.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above cheque be accepted and that the present arrangement with the Indian Department with respect to responding to fires at Mission Reserve No. 1 be continued during the life of the present Council.

TENDERS

The following tenders were received and dealt with from L.B. Howard on behalf of a client to purchase Lot 8 of 1, Block 8, D.L. 616 - \$100.00 on regular terms.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above offer be accepted.

From D.H. McColl & Co. on behalf of a client, offering to purchase Lot 36, Block 235, D.L. 546, at the price of \$150.00 and proportion of taxes.

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

From:

James McKee	\$85.00
D.S. Lavery	\$75.00
Horace Oliver	\$48.00
Donald MacLennan	\$25.00
John McEwen	\$115.00

The above offers being for the purchase of B.C. Livery stable building 259 – 4th Street West.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the highest tender, viz, that of John McEwen be accepted, providing the signs letter embodying terms contained in call for tenders.

From G.A. Roedde Ltd., and Clarke & Stuart for:

- 500 L.L. ticket record sheets
- 500 L.L. cost distribution sheets
- 200 L.L. ferry cash sheets, or in the alternative 400 L.L. ferry cash sheets

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the offer of G.A. Roedde Limited to furnish the above supplies of Ferry stationery be accepted and the matter of purchasing 200 or 400 ferry cash sheets, be left to the discretion of the Treasurer.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks, Health and Police 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	\$1715.91	
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Finance Bank Charges	<u>1064.96</u>	\$3,644.03
School		\$13,984.5
Ferry	\$2868.73	
	<u>2380.56</u>	\$5,249.29
Board of Works	\$449.30	
	<u>903.80</u>	\$1,353.10
Waterworks	\$91.12	
	<u>83.80</u>	\$174.92
Fire and Light		\$996.82
Parks	\$3.35	
	<u>183.01</u>	\$185.36
Parks (Health)	\$330.41	
	<u>88.00</u>	\$418.41
Parks (Police)		\$180.49

Alderman Bridgman reported that he with the Solicitor, had interviewed Mr. Hughes, with respect to proposed Agreement re operation of Ambulance, and recommend that Mr. Hughes pay public liability on the ambulance, and the City stand cost of collision clause.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Solicitor complete draft agreement along above lines.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that an offer from V.W. Odlum to sell to the City \$2000.00 North Vancouver City Ferry, 5% bonds, maturing 1950 at 90.41 be accepted, and Treasurer authorized to issue cheque in payment therefor.

Re proportion of taxes to be collected in case of sale of Tax Sale lands.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that in case of sale of tax sale lands by the City, that a net amount of the equivalent of taxes be collected, without adding penalty addition.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Superintendent of Works be authorized to install gutters on the roof of the City Hall, at an estimated cost of \$26.50.

Alderman Bridgman requested and was granted permission to retire.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Council take a recess to permit of a meeting of the Board of Health.

Whereupon the Council took a recess.

His Worship Mayor Donaghy reconvened the Council.

Several members of Council had inspected the tree which Doctor McCarley had requested permission to have removed in front of his residence in Victoria Park East, but no action was taken by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the following report and recommendation of the Board of Works Committee be received and adopted:

The Superintendent of Works reported re access on Chesterfield Avenue at the corner of 20th Street, recommending that the sidewalk be connected up with the north side of 20th Street, a distance of approximately 90 feet, estimated cost \$15.00.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be authorized to install above piece of sidewalk.

Re offer H. Hobson to sell to the City, lumber in good order at \$20.00 per thousand, delivered to barn and pay for same in 1924, total amount \$155.26. RECOMMEND that the above offer of H. Hobson to supply lumber which he has on hand, to the City and pay for same in 1924, be accepted.

RECOMMEND that a Committee of the Board of Works confer with a Committee from the School Board, with respect to road and sidewalk to the High School.

RECOMMEND that the Board of Works have power to act in the matter of cutting brush which obstructs lights, keeping in mind the state of Committee expenditure, the above as a matter of maintenance without increased cost.

RECOMMEND that the matter of improving Heywood Avenue be laid over.

RECOMMEND that the attention of the District Council be drawn to a recent joint meeting re Keith Road and Moodyville road, also re connecting road to the Bridge; also Heywood Avenue, Keith to Moodyville; and that the above matters be subject for conference between the two Councils at an early date.

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

RECOMMEND that cheque in the amount of \$3.50 be issued payable to F.W. McLaine, settlement in full for claim for damage to raincoat.

RECOMMEND that letter from the General Manager, Pacific Great Eastern Railway, accepting City's offer to sell tickets at the Vancouver wharf, during the months October 1st to December 31st, for the sum of \$25.00 per month, be filed.

RECOMMEND that the action of the Chairman of the Ferry Committee and Treasurer in purchasing quantity of Ferry tickets as outlined in report from the Treasurer dated October 11th, be endorsed.

RECOMMEND that the matter of claim of N. Wright, for damage to clothing on September 11th, while in a triangle tour bus, be left with the Solicitor until further word is received from Mr. Wright.

The superintendent submitted communication from the Steamship Inspector with respect to providing additional fire protection in the alleyways of the Ferry Boats.

RECOMMEND that the matter of additional fire protection in the alleyways of the vessels be referred to the Superintendent and Clerk to tabulate and minute the safeguard which may be required by the Steamship Inspector for the information of next year's Council, during the annual overhaul.

And that the Steamship Inspector be notified accordingly.

Re Students tickets

RECOMMEND that Students furnish Certificate of Attendance for the previous month, when purchasing Students tickets.

RECOMMEND that Student Tickets be issued to Students from the North Shore attending Vancouver City Public Night Schools.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the following report and recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted:

Re report from the Auditor on staff in Collector and Treasurer's office.

RECOMMEND that the Auditor be thanked for furnishing report submitted by him, that the report be filed and copy furnished to Alderman Tolmie.

Mr. Lane being present, stated that he will submit report on Real Estate Ledger, Better Housing Ledger and 9 months report at next Regular meeting of Council, and was requested to submit interim report on the condition of the coupon register at next meeting of Council.

The Treasurer was instructed to furnish statement of condition of Finances by mail, to each member of Council.

Mrs. Miller, President of the Red Cross, being present, requested that an increase be made in the grant to the Red Cross Society, for this year as the local Red Cross Society have spent approximately \$800.00 in relief and assistance, since November 1922.

RECOMMEND that the Grant for 1923 to the North Vancouver Branch, Canadian Red Cross Society, be increased from \$100.00 to \$150.00 and that a letter of appreciation be forwarded for the work which they are carrying on.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "Fire Works Regulation Bylaw", 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 Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Prior and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Fire Works Regulation Bylaw", be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Prior, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "Fire Works Regulation Bylaw" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Fire Works Regulation Bylaw", be now read a third time.
Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council.

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

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this Council do now adjourn, to reconvene on Thursday evening, October 18th, 1923, at 7:30 p.m.
Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed D. Donaghy, Mayor