

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH, 1924 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present:	His Worship Mayor Donaghy
	Alderman Bridgman
	Alderman Harron
	Alderman Irwin
	Alderman Tolmie
	Alderman Townsley
	Alderman Vance

Alderman Harron rose to a question of privilege and requested that a note be made in the Minutes that he had no part in the appointment of Chairman of Finance.

Alderman Tolmie also requested to be recorded as not having taken part in any appointment of Chairman of Finance for 1924.

The Minutes of Statutory meeting of Council held January 24th, 1924, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and a motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie, adopted.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended and that any deputations present, be heard.

Mr. Mitchell addressed the Council with respect to application of St. Andrew's & Caledonian Society for the exclusive use of Mahon Park together with the Dancing Pavilion and Refreshment privileges also the loan of any flags and decorations that the City may have, together with such monetary grant as the Council may deem fair, for Dominion Day Celebration for 1924.

Mr. Mitchell amended the above by adding that no admission fee would be charged for admission to Mahon Park on that date.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that St. Andrew's & Caledonian Society be granted exclusive use of Mahon Park together with Dancing Pavilion and Refreshment privileges on July 1st, the City to loan any flags and decorations which it may have, and which the Society undertakes to return in good order. No admission fee to be charged on that date.

The holder of Refreshment Booth concession for the year is to have concurrent jurisdiction on above date, in his own stand, and that the matter of details be referred to the Parks Committee to act.

Alderman Vance offered as an amendment, that the matter be laid on the table for one month, but there was no seconder.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for registration of Bylaws Nos. 598, 599, 600, 601 and 204.

From the Board of School Trustees, re allocation of proportion of Liquor profits for the year 1924.

Communication was also received from the City Solicitor, advising that under the "Liquor Act" the monies received and applied to the Board of School Trustees are to be treated in the same way as other revenue received for school purposes.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that a copy of the Solicitor's letter be forwarded to the School Board for their information.

From Geo. R. Dennis, applying for a three year's lease of Larson's Pavilion.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the V.O.N. applying for same grant as last year.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that all applications for grants be referred to Committee of the Whole, when estimates are being considered.

From the Horticultural Society, applying for grant.

Referred to Estimates.

From Vancouver Publicity Bureau, applying for grant of \$2500.00.

Referred to Estimates.

From Rodney Renshaw, applying for permission to rent his house for a period of 8 months, owing to ill health, and having to leave the City.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that permission be granted, providing monthly payments are made regularly.

From J.G. Farmer, advising that 7:30 p.m. February 11th, at the City Hall, North Vancouver, would be a suitable time and place for the District Council to meet with the City Council and the Council of the District of West Vancouver, re joint matters.

The Clerk stated that the same hour and date would suit the West Vancouver Council.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above date and hour is acceptable to this Council.

From J.W. Allan, Vancouver, applying to purchase Lots 6 and 8, Block 170, D.L. 274, on behalf of Mr. Prescott.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Mr. Allan be notified that waterfront lots are not on the market at the present time, but to keep in touch with the City Hall, so that he may ascertain when they are listed for sale.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, enclosing audited statement for the year 1923, and requesting that same be included in the City's annual published statement for the year.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above report be received and request granted.

From Chas. Robinson, 347 – 16th Street West, applying for a sidewalk to Lot 8, Block 38, D.L. 548.

Referred to the Board of Works for inspection and report.

From C. Brown, 356 – 4th Street East, applying for improvements to 4th Street, between St. Andrew's and St. Patrick's Avenue.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee for inspection and report.

From W.H. Parkin, Wiring Inspector, reporting that the owners of the 15 premises complained of by the Fire Underwriters, have all been notified and in most cases the wiring has been renewed or repaired; one or two parties have been given an extension of a few days in which to clean up.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above report be received and the Council notified when the remainder of the premises have been attended to.

From rev. J.H. Hooper, stating that at the last meeting of the North Shore Ministerial Union, a deputation was appointed to wait upon the City and the District Councils in reference to the North Vancouver Cemetery and the roads that lead to it.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the deputation be invited to meet the joint Councils on Monday the 11th instant, at 8 p.m.

From the Fire Chief, being monthly report of fires with risks, insurance and losses for the month of January. Total loss \$750.00, seven alarms. Received and filed.

From the Deputy Provincial Secretary, enclosing certified copy of Order-in-Council approving of the "City of North Vancouver Waterworks regulation Bylaw, 1921, Amendment Bylaw, 1923" No. 599.

Filed.

From the North Shore Band, applying for a grant.

Referred to Estimates.

From W.M. Kennedy and H.J. Haslett, applying for an extension of time in which to make payments on tax sale lands purchased from the City.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From H.B. Robinson, with respect to waterlot adjoining Lot 2, Block 173, D.L. 274.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Liquor Control Board, with respect to deduction from Liquor profits for the year 1923, stating that authority for these deductions and the manner in which they have been dealt with, is provided for in Section 99 of the "Government Liquor Act."

Filed.

From W.F. Smith, re lease of refreshment stands on Ferries No. 2 and 3.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Walsh Lumber Company, being report of employees during the month of December 1923.

Filed.

From the City Assessor, enclosing list of tax sale lands to which the City obtained title in 1923, with prices attached; lots in D.L. 265 and 616 have not yet been priced.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Collector, being statement of collections for January 1924.

Filed.

From the City Solicitor, advising that the Public Works Department of the Dominion Government has prepared a report to the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council, recommending the approval of the Lonsdale Avenue wharf under the "Navigable Waters Protection Act".

Filed.

From the B.C. Contracting and Grain Stowing Company, offering \$200.00 per month for a wharf on the North Shore for the purpose of lining ships for grain.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Superintendent of Works and Ferry Superintendent submit an estimate of cost for construction of wharf, any arrangements that may be arrived at to be subject to reservation of Railway right-of-way.

Mayor Donaghy reported that the Directors of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company are making application to the Dominion Government for an amendment to the Charter, to provide that the City of Vancouver shall be represented by one Director, the Mayor; West Vancouver by one Director, the

Reeve; City of North Vancouver by 2 Directors, the Mayor and one Alderman; and the District of North Vancouver by 2 Directors, the Reeve and one Councillor; the above arrangements being satisfactory to all concerned.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report be received and approved.

Mayor Donaghy reported that representatives of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company had met with the Harbour Commissioners, purely informal discussion. Engineer Swan informed the meeting that the Harbour Board had running rights over the C.P.R. as far as the grain elevators, and proposed applying for running rights as far as the Bridge. The goods traffic of the North Shore is now equal to about 1200 cars per annum, and it is estimated that at the end of the first year, after the completion of the bridge, it would increase to 6000 cars. AT a toll of one cent per 100 lbs. this would yield \$50,000.00 per annum, it is estimated the cost of maintenance of Bridge would be \$75,000.00 per annum; the sinking fund on the guaranteed debentures of the Bridge Company equal \$4,127.00 per annum and the interest \$37,800.00 per annum. The meeting adjourned on the understanding that the Commissioners would consider whether they were in a position to assume the liability of \$117,000.00 per annum, and the Municipal representatives to ask their Councils.

(1) If they are prepared to give their Bridge shares to the Harbour Commissioner, and if so, under what conditions,

(2) If they would prefer making an agreement with the Harbour Commissioners for the payment by the Board of a rental for the use of the Railway Bridge for a term of years,

(3) If instead of either of the above, they would prefer an arrangement for the Harbour Commissioners to operate the Bridge and apply receipts from traffic towards paying the operating maintenance charges and fixed charges and that any profit or loss be shared by the Municipalities and the Harbour Commissioners.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above report of the Mayor be received, that he be thanked for his services and that early consideration be given the matter.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Building Inspector be instructed not to issue permits for business premises in residential districts, and that all applications show distance from front line to the street and that all applications for business or industrial premises be referred to the Council.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Provincial Secretary be communicated with inquiring when Town Planning act may receive consideration.

Moved by Alderman Harron, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Superintendent of Works submit report of estimated cost of providing water to Cemetery; also cost of constructing Caretaker's residence at Cemetery.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that in the event of Mayor Donaghy being absent temporarily, that Alderman Vance act as Acting Mayor, and his appointment be confirmed at first subsequent meeting of Council.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Superintendent of Works be empowered to cooperate with property owners by removing large boulders from the Boulevards in cases where the owners wish to improve boulevards in front of their property.

Alderman Vance reported having interviewed the officials of the Northern Construction Company, who stated that excepting for unforeseen difficulties THE BRIDGE will be completed by the end of 1924.

Alderman Vance also stated that the next move is to provide rail connection from Lonsdale Avenue to the Bridge, so that same will be ready when Bridge is completed.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Engineer's Department report on various roads which may be used to the Second Narrows Bridge, submitting estimated cost of providing for vehicular traffic from Lonsdale Avenue to the Bridge, also approximate grades.

Alderman Vance reported that Mr. Frank Walker and his wife had visited the North Shore this week, and were shown around the City. Both Mr. and Mrs. Walker are anxious to locate on the North Shore.

The following tenders were received and dealt with:

From L.B. Howard on behalf of Katherine McDonnell, to purchase Lots 24 and 25, Block 237, D.L. 546, at \$100.00 each (List price).

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

From Alex Smith & Co., on behalf of Richard Hutcheson, Jr. to purchase Lot 16, of 4 to 7, Block 206, D.L. 545, \$200.00 (List price).

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

From Alex Smith & Co., on behalf of Richard Hutcheson, Sr., to purchase Lot 17, of 4 to 7, Block 206, D.L. 545, \$200.00 (List price).

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

From M. McMillan on behalf of E.W. McMillan and Margaret Ruth McMillan, to purchase Lot 22, Block 12, D.L. 273, \$275.00 (List price).

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

From Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., on behalf of a client, to purchase Lot 35, Blk. 141, D.L. 274 list price \$1800.00, improved property.

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

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the tender of Shoemaker, McLean & Veitch for printing cheques, at the price of \$16.50 be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the tender of G.A. Roedde Limited for binding four Collector's Rolls, at the price of \$75.00 be accepted, their price being the lowest.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the tender of the North Shore Press for supplying 300 copies Financial Statement for the year 1923, at the price of \$2.35 per page, be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the tender of the North Shore Press for supplying printed stationery for the Ferry Department, as per specification at the price of \$73.75 be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, 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		\$1,597.50
School		\$12,521.98
Ferry		\$8,269.88
Board of Works	\$542.64	
	<u>648.53</u>	\$1,191.17
Waterworks	\$90.00	
	<u>297.05</u>	\$387.05
Fire & Light		\$1,135.00
Parks	\$91.12	
	<u>41.05</u>	\$132.17
Parks (Police)		\$1,267.83
Parks (Health)	\$300.00	

80.00

\$380.00

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay account Canadian Pacific Railway, rental wharf site for the month of January, \$100.00.

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

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to pay membership in the Vancouver Board of Trade, for Mayor Donaghy for the current half year, \$10.00.

RECOMMEND that Bond houses be advised that no offers to sell to the City, debentures on sinking fund account, will be considered before the end of April.

RECOMMEND that on instalment of \$590.00 under Rice Lake Lands Settlement Act, be paid.

RECOMMEND that communication from London and British North America Company, with respect to loss of debenture No. 818 due 1931, 4 ½% be referred to the Solicitor for report.

RECOMMEND that annual statements for the year 1923, from the V.O.N. and Horticultural Association, be referred to Finance Committee when grants are being considered.

RECOMMEND that the matter of improved properties, and disposal of same, be referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

The Auditor submitted the annual statement for the year 1923, together with report from the Treasurer, dated February 4th, 1924, also report dated February 4th, 1924 signed by M.J. Crehan, City Auditor.

RECOMMEND that Balance Sheet and reports thereon be received and printed.

RECOMMEND that the report of the Auditor, dated February 4th, with respect to City Hall fund account, be referred to Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Bridgman, Chairman, reported that all sinking fund securities have been checked over by the Mayor, Chairman of Finance, Auditor and Treasurer, and found in order, and the Committee recommends that all debentures of the City which are held by the City in sinking fund account,

be stamped "this debenture is the property of the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver – not negotiable".

The Chairman also reported that the Safety Deposit box at present used is not large enough for City purposes.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to secure a larger Safety Deposit box than the one at present in use, at 50% increase in price.

The Collector reported complying with Waterworks Regulation Bylaw submitting statement of water collections for the year 1923 drawing attention to the necessity for devising some way to protect the City when water service has been shut off for any reason.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works submit recommendation as to best method of closing turn off valves and sealing same.

RECOMMEND that the water account of Thomas Parkinson, be adjusted net, rebating vacancy period.

Re Ericksen Bros. turning on water without authority.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer take this matter up with the Solicitor and report back at next meeting.

RECOMMEND that the Auditor be handed cheque for services to the end of 1923.

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

Re application Sixth Field Company C.E. for 400 free ferry tickets for use of Members of the 6th Field Company.

RECOMMEND that 400 free tickets, transportation on ferries be furnished Major McLean, for use of members of the 6th Field Company, C.E.

RECOMMEND that the application of Same Jones for renewal of lease of Refreshment stand at the Vancouver wharf, be referred to Committee of the Whole.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Committee meet the Finance Committee of the Vancouver Council on Wednesday, February 6th, 1924, at 3 p.m. re exemption from taxation, North Vancouver Ferry Terminals at Vancouver.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk be authorized to renew Indemnity Bond, Arthur Dickinson, Bernice McKinon, Caroline M. Wheeler and Ernest Wilmot.

Communication was received from the Pacific Great Eastern Railway agreeing to continue the present arrangement at \$25.00 per month, for services of Ferry staff in selling Pacific Great Eastern Railway tickets at the Vancouver wharf.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Kilpatrick be advised that when present period expires, the matter of new arrangement can be taken up.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Committee and the Superintendent arrange meeting with Captain Cates re anchorage for leads and terms of lease of 50 feet west of Lonsdale Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the clerk secure quotations on Insurance Ferry No. 3, with authority to renew the present policy if the rate is the same.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent call for tenders for all known and visible work on No. 3 Ferry, to be received by the Clerk up to 4 p.m. February 18th.

RECOMMEND that consideration of an increase for Ferry Superintendent, be deferred until February 18th.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent overhaul the lights on both wharves and subway.

RECOMMEND that no further advertising be placed on the hoarding at the Vancouver wharf in the mean time.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Wilmot supply list of contracts, with expiry dates.

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

RECOMMEND that the monthly report of work completed for the month of January, be received and filed.

RECOMMEND that the Tenders for supplying lumber, oil and spikes be invited, to be received next meeting.

RECOMMEND that the Board of Works make an inspection trip on Wednesday the 6th, and that if during their inspection they find any urgent work, that they be empowered to act.

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

RECOMMEND that no tenders be called for supplies for Waterworks until the stock on hand is used.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that this Council do now proceed to resolve itself into w and that Alderman Vance be Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Alderman Vance be Acting Mayor during the temporary absence of Mayor Donaghy at Victoria.

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

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1924" 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 Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1924", be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1924" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1924", 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 Irwin and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Debenture Consolidation Bylaw, 1924, No. 2" 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 Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Debenture Consolidation Bylaw, 1924, No. 2", be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Harron, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Debenture Consolidation Bylaw, 1924, No. 2" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Debenture Consolidation Bylaw, 1924, No. 2", be now read a third time.

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

At 11:05 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Council do now adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed D. Donaghy, Mayor