

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, JUNE 16TH, 1924 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present:	Alderman Bridgman
	Alderman Harron
	Alderman Irwin
	Alderman Tolmie
	Alderman Townsley
	Alderman Vance

Owing to the absence of Mayor Donaghy at Victoria, it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Alderman G.W. Vance be and he is hereby appointed Acting Mayor during the temporary absence of Mayor Donaghy at Victoria.

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held June 2nd, 1924, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman, adopted.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held June 4th, 1924, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Bridgman, 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 Land Sales Bylaw No. 27, numbered 614, also Land Sales Bylaw No. 28, numbered 615.
Filed.

From the Deputy Minister of Finance, Victoria, enclosing cheque for \$10,447.40 liquor profits for the period ending March 31st 1924, two-sevenths of which shall be placed to the credit of the Board of School Trustees account and paid there out only for school purposes.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the above communication be referred to the Treasurer to check up as far as possible, and report for next meeting.

From J.G. Farmer, advising that the District Council are quite willing that the next joint meeting be held at the City Hall.
Filed.

From H. Carr and F.H. Levers, applying for a sidewalk in 2100 Block Chesterfield Avenue.

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

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, applying for use of the City's mowing machine to cut the grass on the grounds of the three public schools.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the School Board be granted the use of the City's mowing machine under usual conditions.

From the Fire Chief, being report of fires, with risks, insurance and losses for the month of May. Total loss \$40.00.

Filed.

From T.C. McMillan, applying for a plank sidewalk and driveway in front of Lots 1 & 2, Block 165, D.L. 271 as the present planking is badly rotted.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above application be referred to the Board of Works Committee with power to act.

From the Secretary, Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company dated June 4th, enclosing copy of letter from Engineer A.D. Swan, dated May 22nd, also enclosing copy of letter from Engineer E.H. James, dated June 2nd with respect to the question of adequate provision by culverts or otherwise, to allow the flood water from the flats to pass under the Railway embankment at the approach to Lynn Creek.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the City Engineer endeavour to ascertain the date of Mr. Swan's return from Ottawa, also that a copy of Mr. Swan's letter and a copy of Mr. James' letter be forwarded to Mr. Frank Sharp, late Engineer of the District for his information.

From the Board of Police Commissioners, advising that on the recommendation of the Chief Constable, instructions have been issued that Taxis at the foot of Lonsdale be parked in the centre of the street, and requesting that the Engineer's Department be instructed to mark off Parking space.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the above report be received, approved and the Engineer authorized to mark off parking space in cooperative with the Chief of Police.

From the Police Commissioners, suggesting that the Council carefully consider the matter of changing over the passenger traffic coming off and going on the ferries.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Chairman and Ferry Superintendent to report back at next meeting.

From McTaggart Cowan, requesting an extension of time in which to make his payment on Lots 11 and 12, Block 212A, D.L. 544 which was due April 4th.

The cash payment having been made, also the first instalment, it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Mr. Cowan be granted an extension of time until October 4th, providing the taxes and interest payments are made.

From the Secretary, B.P.O.E. conveying sincere appreciation for assistance rendered to make May Day Celebration a success.

Filed.

From R.J. Cromie, Publisher, Vancouver Sun, thanking the Council for the manner in which the press delegates had been entertained on the North Shore.

The Clerk was instructed to request Mr. Cromie to forward a list of the delegates with the papers represented.

From G.O. Webster, stating that in view of the fact that out of the eleven taxi license holders only 5 of same being actual taxi drivers, the remainder driving stages, he requested a permit to operate his taxi from the Ferry wharf stand.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above application for permit be referred to the Engineer and Chief of Police with power to act, and also to submit report of number of taxis operating as stages.

From Kitsilano Methodist Church, thanking the council for the use of Mahon Park for a Sunday School Picnic on June 3rd.

Filed.

From the Treasurer, St. Andrew's & Caledonian Society, requesting that the balance of the grant, viz, \$350.00 for July 1st sports be paid over, in order to purchase prizes.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue cheque in the amount of \$350.00 balance grant Dominion Day Sports.

From Wm. McQueen, City Clerk, Vancouver inviting a representative from this Council to confer with representatives of the surrounding Municipalities at the City Hall, Vancouver at 2:30 p.m. June 17th, in an endeavour to have the B.C. Telephone Company return to their former method of rendering bills for inter-exchange calls, giving details of calls charged for.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Acting Mayor Vance be appointed representative from this Council.

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Company, advising that they are using every effort in the matter of reconstruction of street cars, and it is expected that all cars will be reconstructed and in operation September 30th.

Filed.

From the General Administration Society, acknowledging receipt of copy of letter dated June 9th from the B.C. Electric Railway Company with respect to reconstruction of cars, stating that while realizing the difficulties in reference to the change, yet they consider the time it has taken to complete same seems altogether out of reason.

Filed.

From M. Moga, stating that she is not satisfied with the high taxes, that her tax far supersedes her neighbours, also applying to have the rush cleared away for a number of feet on each side of the board walk.

The complaint with respect to the taxes being higher than her neighbours was referred to the Collector to furnish Mrs. Moga comparison of taxes, and the Chairman of the Board of Works Committee reported that the brush had been cleared away.

From C.E. Sherwood, applying for the clearing full width and grading of 18th Street one Block east of Queensbury.

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

From John G. Farmer, acknowledging receipt of application for improvement of St. Kilda Avenue from 29th one Block north, which has been referred to the Board of Works, and in the mean time the District council inquire whether the City would bear 50% of the cost of opening the boundary road between St. Kilda Avenue and Regents Avenue, estimated cost \$320.00.

In the event of the City Council agreeing to this, the whole of the proposed work could be carried out at one time.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee for report.

From Ewen McLeod, 322 – 19th Street East, applying for a sidewalk.

Referred to the Board of Works Committee.

From the City Solicitor and City Engineer re dangerous trees on 3rd Street; the Engineer reporting recommending that the Council pass a resolution declaring the trees on Lots 24 and 25, Block 132, D.L. 274 and Lot 26, Block 132, D.L. 274 to be dangerous to the public. Also reporting that the trees complained of on the North side of 3rd Street, just west of Chesterfield are located on City Hall property, and recommending that authority be given to have these trees trimmed, so that they will not in any way, endanger the B.C. Electric Railway Company's high power lines.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that whereas the City Engineer has reported that there are trees located on Lots 24, 25 and 26, Block 132, D.L. 274 which are dangerous to the Public.

Therefore be it and it is hereby resolved that trees on Lots 24, 25 and 26, Block 132, D.L. 274 are hereby declared to be dangerous to the Public and the City Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the owners of said lots that the trees thereon are dangerous to the Public, and serve notice upon said owners in compliance with the provisions of the Dangerous Trees Removal Bylaw.

From W.H. Parkin, reporting under date June 16th, with reference to clearing up electrical defects in communication from the B.C. Fire Underwriters Association, dated November 26th, 1923.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above report from the City Electrician be received, and copy forwarded to the B.C. Fire Underwriters Association.

From the City Engineer, re dangerous pole at 2nd and St. David's.

The B.C. Electric Railway Company furnished the Engineer with a copy of a letter from the Municipal Clerk dated February 14th, 1906 giving the offset at which said pole should be placed.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above communication be referred to the Board of Works and the Engineer and Solicitor to confer in the matter.

From the Fire Chief, enclosing report of defective buildings upon which the defects have been remedied in so far as the Fire Department is responsible.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that copy of the above report be forwarded to the B.C. Fire Underwriters.

From F. Norminton, dated June 15th, complaining of the condition of the ditch between 15th and 16th Streets on the west side of Moody Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above complaint be referred to the Board of Works Committee with power to act, if the cost is reasonable.

Mr. Geekie, by permission, addressed the Council complaining of the sidewalk in the second Block east on 18th Street, also with respect to the lane in the same Block.

Referred to the Board of Works for inspection.

The man in charge of the Affairs of the Indian Mission School, addressed the Council complaining of meter readings and rate charged for water.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Collector submit report to the Finance Committee on meter rates and flat rates.

Tenders were received for the purchase of the following properties:

From John Brind, to purchase Lot 7/140/274 list price \$400.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above offer be accepted, purchaser to pay along with cash payment, an amount equivalent to proportion of taxes for the current year.

From Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., on behalf of a client, offering to purchase North ½ of Lot 14, Block 215B, D.L. 545 list price \$125.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above offer be accepted, purchaser to pay along with cash payment, an amount equivalent to the proportion of taxes for the current year.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Ferry, 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

\$1408.79

	<u>998.58</u>	\$2,407.37
School Board of Works		713.55
	\$1768.39	
	<u>1168.35</u>	\$2,936.74
Waterworks	<u>\$332.17</u>	
	<u>136.39</u>	\$468.56
Ferry	\$6621.10	
	<u>2766.03</u>	\$9,387.13
Fire & Light Parks		\$1,814.21
	\$1425.27	
	<u>524.84</u>	\$1,950.11
Parks (Health)	<u>\$472.71</u>	
	<u>84.00</u>	\$556.71
Parks (Police)		\$154.89

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue cheque in the amount of \$1622.88 in settlement of account Great West Sand & Gravel Company, dated June 16th.

Acting Mayor Vance reported that the Harbour Board had been granted an appropriation of Five Million Dollars only, on hearing of which he had immediately got in touch with the Harbour Commissioners who had informed him that amongst the works to be undertaken out of above appropriation, would be the lumber assembly wharf which is to be constructed on the North Shore and in order that the wharf be of service, the railway would have to be constructed along with the wharf.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the appreciation of the Council of the above information, be forwarded to the Harbour Board with a request that the work be proceeded with as expeditiously as possible.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that a list of owners be furnished, who had paid local improvement levy on 17th Street East, with the amount paid by each, with a view to applying same on general taxes for 1924, also that the Solicitor report in connection therewith.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Dr. Mullin of the Laboratories, Vancouver General Hospital, be requested to furnish 150 tubes for Wiedal tests.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this Council take a recess to permit of the various Committees completing their work.

Whereupon the council took a recess.

At 10:30 p.m. His Worship Acting Mayor Vance reconvened the Council.

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

Re St. George's Avenue waterlot and Capt. Harris application for lease.
RECOMMEND that the Deputy Fire Marshall inspect and report on the condition of the premises at the foot of St. George's Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the Chief of Police take steps to remove any parties making use of St. George's Avenue street end or waterlot.

RECOMMEND that a copy of the Solicitor's letter with respect to the right of the City to lease St. George's Avenue waterlot be forwarded to Captain Harris and that he furnish a sketch plan of proposed wharf to the City Engineer, which if approved by the City Engineer, be forwarded to the Harbour Board for temporary approval.

The Engineer reported estimated cost of sidewalk on the east side of Ridgeway from 10th to 15th Streets \$630.00, also estimated cost of three plank walk on 29th Street, from Lonsdale Avenue to St. George's Avenue \$280.00.

RECOMMEND that the above matters be laid over.

Mr. A.L. Clements, of Evans, Coleman & Evans interviewed the Committee stating that Evans, Coleman & Evans have in view supply 5000 cords pulp wood to be secured on the North Shore and requesting permission to load scows at Bewicke Avenue wharf.

RECOMMEND that this matter be referred to the Board of Works Committee, to keep in touch with Mr. Clements in the matter.

Re improving Roadway to Bewicke Avenue wharf.

RECOMMEND that Evans, Coleman & Evans be granted concurrent use of Bewicke Avenue wharf under the supervision of the City Engineer and that the Board of Works have power to act providing there is no expense to the City.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer be authorized to re-plank where necessary, small bridge south of Marine Drive on Bewicke Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the Board of Works Committee have power to act in the matter of improving the sidewalk on the east side of Ridgeway between 9th and 10th, on account of its close proximity to Ridgeway School.

RECOMMEND that access be given to Mr. Jarvis to the street on Chesterfield Avenue in front of Lot 5, in Resub. 1, Block 6, D.L. 548.

RECOMMEND that the matter of reply to communication from General Administration Society, dated June 13th, re maintenance of sidewalks, be referred to the Solicitor and Engineer for reply.

The Clerk reported having received communication from G. Roy Long, Solicitor, who had been consulted by Mr. and Mrs. Alex Warwick, with respect to injuries received on 15th Street on May 3rd, that copy of the letter from Mr. Long had been forwarded to the General Administration Society and that Mr. Long had been advised that the General Administration Society were agents for the Globe indemnity Company, who carry public liability on the Streets.

Acting Mayor Vance reported the sidewalk on portion of Bewicke Avenue, requiring attention.

RECOMMEND that the brush be cut on both sides of 10th Street East, roadway and sidewalk from Ridgeway to the Grand Boulevard.

RECOMMEND that the City place a four plank crossing in the sidewalk to give access for Mr. Malcolm Firth, 418 – 7th Street East, owing to the fact that Mr. Firth has already placed a culvert in the ditch.

RECOMMEND that the application of Mr. P. Larson, 254 – 6th Street West, be granted, for culvert to be placed in the ditch in front of Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7, he agreeing to pay for the material and the City to pay for the covering of said culvert with suitable material.

RECOMMEND that 3 or 4 loads of gravel be spread on 24th Street West of Mahon Avenue in the vicinity of the culvert and that a four plank crossing be put on the sidewalk and the sidewalk lowered when Mr. F. Robinson of 316 – 24th Street West constructs garage.

Re application J.A. Jones, 522 – 28th Street West, for repairs to be made to Larson Road from the City Boundary, south to Lot 18, Block 243A.

RECOMMEND that the improvements as requested at the rear of Lot 18, be granted and that the District council be requested to improve that portion of Larson Road extension from the City Boundary North to Queens Road was that it may be made passable for vehicles to get in and out, estimated cost to City \$15.00 to \$20.00.

Re application H. Vinall for ditch on 9th Street East.

RECOMMEND that the above request be granted to lower the ditch from Lot 18, Block 95, over Moody Avenue.

Re application Mr. N. Gross on behalf of Mrs. Kendall, re water course crossing Lot 17, Block 106, D.L. 550 at 376 Keith Road East.

RECOMMEND that the City Solicitor and Engineer confer re above application and report whether the City has any responsibility in the matter.

Re application W.C. Doak, 624 – 22nd Street East, for sidewalk approximately 60 feet.

RECOMMEND that the above request be granted.

Re letter from w. Rae, Chief Inspector of Equipment, recommending that certain stops be eliminated on Lonsdale Ave.

RECOMMEND that the stops at Esplanade and Upper Keith Road be eliminated.

RECOMMEND that a letter be forwarded requesting the continuance of the cars stopping at Lower Keith Road and at a point between 27th and Queens Road, where stop privilege has been in effect for the last 15 years.

RECOMMEND that the question of a four foot sidewalk on the east side of Ridgeway from 14th to 15th Streets, be laid over.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. Sam Jones, be advised that the Council regrets that it cannot see its way clear to pay account for painting and cleaning Refreshment Booth on the Vancouver wharf, amount \$45.60.

Re communication C.B. Reid with respect to change in schedule on June 1st, the 11:30 boat leaving at 11:40 p.m.

The Superintendent reported that owing to the congestion in auto traffic the boats were running whenever loaded in order to carry the autos over.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Reid be advised along the line of the Superintendent's report as above.

RECOMMEND that the account of the Solicitor for disbursements re installation of anchors at the new ferry lead on the north side, amounting to \$7.90 be paid.

The Auditors report with respect to ferry matters, dated June 16th, received consideration.

RECOMMEND that the Chairman and Superintendent interview the two male ticket sellers with respect to complaint re quantity of tickets.

The Superintendent reported that No. 3 will have to be docked tonight on account of loose propeller blade, will be on the run again on the morning of the 17th.

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

RECOMMEND that the report of the Auditor be referred to the Chairman of Finance to take up with the Auditor.

Communication was received from the District Council, agreeing to the suggested settlement for water supply to hydrants amount \$1475.00. RECOMMEND that the above communication be placed on file.

The Collector reported with respect to amount of taxes paid on Lane lot adjoining Lot 8, Block 127, D.L. 274, Alfred Snow owner. RECOMMEND that the offers of Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., A.S. billings and Alfred Snow to sell to the City, lane portions in Block 127, be accepted.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer prepare sketch plan showing private ownership of lane portions in Block 127.

RECOMMEND that the Mayor and Chairman have power to act in authorizing the payment of taxes on City property in the District of North Vancouver in order to save penalty addition.

Re Lots 11, 12, 13, Block 62, corner 13th and Lonsdale. RECOMMEND that in consideration of Mr. Davis looking after the above property, that he have the privilege of gathering the fruit for this year.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk procure prices on coal for City Hall and Fire Hall, and that the Chairman of Finance have power to act in accepting such tender.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk procure necessary agreement of sale forms, forms to be approved by the Solicitor.

RECOMMEND that \$5.00 poll tax be refunded Mr. R. Hedley of the Fire Department.

RECOMMEND that the offer of R.P. Clark & Co., to sell to the City \$3,000.00 City of North Vancouver Ferry bonds at 87.50 and accrued interest be accepted, owing to the fact of their having recently purchased a portion of the local improvement debentures of the City.

RECOMMEND that \$10,000.00 be transferred temporarily if needed, from Ferry accounts to City general account and the Treasurer to report to Council when sufficient funds are on hand to re-pay same.

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

The Engineer reported re application of T.G. Parry of Lynn Valley for permission to connect with telephone line at Intake, recommending that no further privilege to connect with this line be granted.

RECOMMEND that the above report be received and adopted.

The Engineer reported re application W.F. Smith and others with respect to poor water service at the dead end at Bewicke Avenue, recommending that 300 feet, four inch main be installed at cost of \$195.00.

RECOMMEND that the above report be adopted and the work authorized.

The Engineer verbally reported with respect to the application of Mr. Gray and Mr. Stoker to have their water service improved, that arrangements can be made with the District for better connection.

RECOMMEND that owing to the Engineer's recommendation, that he be authorized to make the cheapest possible connection to give better water service to Mr. A.A. Gray and Mr. H.B. Stoker.

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

Re Neydle case.

RECOMMEND that the owner of the premises occupied by above parties be advised that the City cannot entertain proposal to pay house rent.

The Engineer submitted tenders for painting the band stand, dressing room, barn, and goal posts at Boulevard Park.

J. Hardy	\$155.00
Sedgwick & Harding	\$173.00

RECOMMEND that the lowest tender, viz., that of J. Hardy, price \$155.00 be accepted.

Re opening Auto tourist camp Heywood Park.

RECOMMEND that the Automobile Club and other organizations be advised that the auto tourist camp at Heywood Park will be open on June 21st.

RECOMMEND that the employing of a working caretaker at Heywood Park, be left in the hands of the Parks Committee, and Engineer with power to act.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to pay G.R. Hughes \$5.00 for conveyance of Mr. Candlin to New Westminster.

RECOMMEND that the matter of assistance to Mrs. Candlin be referred tot eh Chief of Police and Clerk for report and recommendation.

RECOMMEND that the matter of painting fence at the Cemetery be left in the hands of the Chairman to arrange a reasonable remuneration for the Caretaker, paint to be supplied by the City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that this Council adjourn, to reconvene in the City Hall at 8 p.m. on June 23rd, and that the

District Council be notified with a view to a joint meeting, when tenders for bridge over Lynn Creek will be considered.

Signed G.W. Vance, Acting Mayor