

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 1924 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held February 18th, 1924, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for the registration of Bylaws numbered 620 and 621.

Filed.

From Annie McRae, Delbruck Avenue, applying for a street light, also to have the brush cut down.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the application for street light be referred to the Fire and Light Committee for inspection and report.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Board of Works be authorized to have the brush cut.

From the City Engineer, advising having inspected Lot 25, Block 137, D.L. 271 and find that house No. 266 – 2nd Street West is standing wholly within the boundaries of Lot 25.

Referred to Special Committee dealing with tax sale properties.

From the Building Inspector, reporting on the condition of North Vancouver Hotel.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Building Inspector be authorized to have repairs made to the North Vancouver Hotel, roof to be cleaned off at a total cost not to exceed \$100.00 and that the Council along with the Engineer and Building Inspector, inspect the buildings.

From Roy A. Hunter, 11th Street East, inquiring whether it is the intention of the City to have the B.C. Electric Railway Company repair damage done to the Boulevard by their teams and wagons in ballasting the Lynn Valley line between 8th and 16th Streets.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Parks Committee and the Engineer for attention.

From the Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Company, advising that the complaint of the Council with respect to over-crowding of the street cars, has

been duly received and noted, that this matter is being watched closely and that if conditions warrant, the company will meet the situation.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Clerk follow up the matter by advising that the City has been informed that a number of passengers were left at the foot of the hill on the Lonsdale line on or about 5:20 p.m. September 15th.

From the City Treasurer, enclosing report of passenger receipts due the Pacific Great Eastern Railway for the month of August 1924, \$1570.75.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue cheque payable to Pacific Great Eastern Railway in the amount of \$1570.75 passenger receipts for the month of August.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, requesting that the Boulevard on 23rd Street adjoining the portion of the High School grounds recently graded at the south end of the Building, be cleared and reduced to permanent grade.

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

From Adam Smith Johnston, applying for permission from the Council to build a new chimney on the outside of the Empire Theatre building in the lane portion.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, dated September 13th, reporting on the condition of Rice Lake that the timbers in the tunnel of Rice Lake are in good condition excepting at one or two points estimated cost of repair \$100.00, recommending authorization of this amount, recommending also that the Rice Lake supply mains be put in good condition, that a pipe be laid from the existing tunnel to connect with the City water mains of Lynn Creek Pipe line road, so that Rice Lake may be used as a settling basin as well as a storage reservoir; also recommending that the Engineer be authorized to bring in a report on the cost of carrying out said proposed improvements. This work can be carried out at a very low cost.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that repairs to the timbers in the tunnel of Rice Lake up to an amount of \$100.00 be authorized.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Engineer be instructed to bring in a report and recommendation on cost of putting Rice Lake in proper condition, to be used as a reservoir and settling basin and connecting up with the City water system.

From the City Engineer, re City Intake recommending that the Rice Lake mains be put in condition which would cost in the neighbourhood of \$500.00 and that 500 feet of 16 inch water pipe be purchased and used to connect the Rice Lake main with the present tanks at the Intake for an additional \$1300.00, the City water supply could then be maintained without interruption from the Rice Lake mains in the event of the dam at present at the City intake being washed out.

Referred to the Waterworks Committee for a recommendation.

From the City Collector, being report of collections for the month of August, also corresponding report for the 8 months.

Filed for reference.

From the Chief Constable, recommending for consideration of the Council, and amendment to the Street Regulation Bylaw re parking on City streets.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Delegates to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention, reporting on the Convention, held at Penticton on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th September.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report be received and letter forwarded to the Mayor and Council, Penticton, expressing appreciation for the courtesy extended during the Convention.

From six Taxi Drivers stating that they are compelled to vacate the Taxi office at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue on the 16th instant, and applying to rent the room in the Ferry building over the ticket sellers office for which they offer to pay \$10.00 per month.

Mr. Geo. Webster, by permission, addressed the Council in the above matter. Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above application be referred to the Chairman and Ferry Superintendent with power to act, with a recommendation from the Council, that the matter be given serious consideration.

From the City Engineer, enclosing communication from G.L. Edwards, with sketch attached of proposed subdivision of Lots 15 and 16, Block 152, D.L. 274, recommending that the proposed subdivision be approved.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that proposed subdivision of Lots 15 and 16, Block 152, D.L. 274 as submitted by Elliott and Hewett be approved on behalf of the City.

From 14 Ratepayers applying for the installation of a street light at the corner of 16th and Chesterfield.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee for inspection and report.

Mrs. Ashcroft, by permission, addressed the Council with respect to her boy having been run over by an automobile on the Esplanade, stating that she is not in a position to pay neither the Hospital bill of \$100.00 nor the Doctor's account of \$150.00.

Dr. Verner, being present, stated that she need not worry over his account, as, if she is unable to pay, there would be no charge.

She was also informed, if she was not in a position to pay the Hospital account that same would be taken care of by way of City's grant to Hospital.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that this Council no now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Donaghy appointed Alderman Vance, Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

TENDERS

The following tenders for tax sale property, were received and dealt with:

From Donell O'Donnell, to purchase Lot 66, Block 21, D.L. 547 list price \$150.00.

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

From Laura Illingworth, offering to purchase Lot 14 of 3, Block 20, D.L. 548, list price \$75.00.

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

From Canadian Financiers Trust Company on behalf of a client to purchase Lo 17, of 4, Block 5, D.L. 548, list price \$75.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance 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 to purchase improved property, Lot 5 of 8, Block 18, D.L. 549 on special terms. List price \$1500.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that improved property, upon which new prices have been fixed by Council on September 2nd be posted for sale, also that an advertisement be inserted in the North Shore Press, to the effect hat new prices on certain improved properties have been posted and that tenders be invited for the purchase of same, to be received up to 12 o'clock noon on September 29th.

From Chas. Hall Black and Annie Black, offering to purchase Lot 27, Block 231A, D.L. 546, list price \$125.00.

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

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		\$1259.50
Finance (School)		\$1602.29
Ferry	\$5335.34	
	<u>1028.44</u>	\$6363.78
Board of Works	\$7545.69	
	<u>1410.20</u>	\$8955.89
Waterworks	\$337.56	
	<u>150.01</u>	\$487.57
Parks	\$52.05	
	<u>363.99</u>	\$416.04
Parks (Police)		\$115.77
Parks (Health)	\$386.98	
	<u>116.00</u>	\$502.98

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

RECOMMEND that expenses of delegates to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities be included in the present Finance warrant and paid.

RECOMMEND that the matter of assessment of lands outside the Municipal Limits but which are included in the City for school purposes, be referred to the Mayor to take up with the Provincial Government.

RECOMMEND that the proposed sale of Lot 5, Block 105, D.L. 550 to George Copping be cancelled and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue cheque in the amount of \$20.00 being refund of deposit paid by him.

Re application London & B.N.A. Company for refund of taxes on Lot 9, Block 227, D.L. 545 which had been paid twice for the year 1923.
RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the amount of \$16.15 to the London and B.N.A. Co. Ltd., being 1923 taxes paid twice, receipt No. 7847, August 27th, 1923.

Re proposed lease of Central School premises.
RECOMMEND that a Bylaw be prepared, transferring to the Board of School Trustees in trust, school properties which are held by the City.

RECOMMEND that the clause in the proposed lease giving four months notice be deleted.

Re declaration Mrs. Laura Louise McAlpine with respect to payment of water rates under receipts numbered 9158, 9159, 9160 and 9161.
RECOMMEND that owing to the circumstances outlined in the declaration, that the Collector be authorized to adjust discount.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk communicate with the P.O. Department inquiring the reason for the Post Office dating stamp being changed at 5 p.m. to the following date.

Re Lot 2, Resub. 1, Block 229, D.L. 545.

The Assessor submitted report dated Sept. 11th, that no further payment beyond the cash payment had been made on above policy.

The Collector submitted a communication from Mr. Cecil N. Hayes, dated September 24th from Niagara Falls, inquiring with respect to taxes on above property viz., Lot 2/1/229/545.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer communicate with Mr. Hayes immediately, to the effect that one year's taxes and interest must be paid at once, in order to prevent property going to tax sale and that a further payment on account of subsequent taxes must be paid within six months.

The Auditor submitted progress report dated September 13th.

RECOMMEND that the Auditor's report lay on the table until next meeting and that the Auditor submit a further report on that date.

Re taxes Arthur G. Watson.

RECOMMEND that the agent be advised that the Council cannot see its way clear to accede to the request to accept payment of taxes without penalty addition.

Re tax sale.

RECOMMEND that the sum of \$250.00 be appropriated for advertising tax sale, also that 500 printed lists be obtained and that the expenditure of the above appropriation be left in the hands of the Chairman of Finance.

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

The Chairman reported that plans and specifications for the proposed turnstile and waiting room on the west side at the foot of Lonsdale, had not been finally completed and that he suggested laying the matter over until the return of the Superintendent.

RECOMMEND that the above recommendation be adopted.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Gideon Scott be appointed Acting Superintendent during the absence of Superintendent Edmond on holiday.

RECOMMEND that the North Shore Press be furnished with the reasons for the necessary change in the waiting room and ticket seller's office, at the foot of Lonsdale.

Re pass for Andrew Wallace, driver and car.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Committee be empowered to act in the matter of renewal of pass for A. Wallace, car and driver as from date of expiry and that the Chairman and Superintendent endeavour to arrange with Mr. Wallace with respect to the anchoring of the leads in front of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4.

RECOMMEND that the tender of Nicholson Limited for supplying 60,000 books of passenger tickets at \$15.88 per thousand books, and one million green tickets in reels at 21 cents per thousand, be accepted, their tender being the lowest.

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

Re application A. McKinnon, 433 – 28th Street West for road and sidewalk. RECOMMEND that the brush be cut on 28th Street from Larson Road easterly to Mr. McKinnon's house.

Re J.W. Orr and others for repairs to roadway on 21st Street between Larson and View, also for sidewalk and cutting of brush and cleaning of the ditch.

RECOMMEND that the ditches be cleaned out where necessary and the brush cut along the edge of the roadway.

Re application Mrs. Clifton, 263 Keith Road East, for sidewalk to be extended a distance of 100 feet.

RECOMMEND that this request be granted.

Re application Miss A.E. Smith to have two plank sidewalks extended about 30 feet to a point in front of 625 – 22nd Street East.
RECOMMEND that the above request be granted.

RECOMMEND that Sutherland Avenue be repaired with a few loads of gravel or crushed rock between Lynn Valley Road and 22nd Street.

Re application James Loughran of 215 – 29th Street East, for crossing in the sidewalk opposite the garage he is building.
RECOMMEND that a four plank crossing be put in the sidewalk and a box culvert in the ditch opposite.

Re application E. Williams, 606 – 5th Street East, to have brush and ferns cut on 5th Street from Moody to Queensbury, also along Moody between 5th and 6th Streets on Moody.
RECOMMEND that the brush be cut but that Mr. Williams be advised that the funds of the Board of Works will not permit of the construction of the sidewalk requested.

Re application John McNeill, 225 – 29th Street East for culvert in ditch opposite the South ½ of Lot 9, Block 237, 28th Street East.
RECOMMEND that the above request be granted.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer be authorized to expend \$50.00 on repairs Lynn Valley Trail from 27th to Maitland.

RECOMMEND that subject to building operations being undertaken, that the Engineer be authorized to expend \$50.00 on improving Lynn Valley trail from the boundary to 27th Street.

Re auto for Engineer's Dept.
RECOMMEND that the question of purchasing an automobile for use of the Engineer's Department, be laid over until next meeting and that in the mean time prices be secured for a Star, Chevrolet and Ford, old car to be turned in on account, and that a report be furnished as to cost of upkeep of present car.

Communication was received from a. Rushton, dated September 8th, with respect to his horse having been frightened by a City truck, doing some damage to the horse and rig.

The Superintendent of Works being present reported verbally in connection with the matter.

RECOMMEND that the foreman and driver submit report in connection with the above matter, and that the solicitor reply to Mr. Rushton, disclaiming any responsibility in the matter.

Alderman Vance inquired whether the contractor for grading Mahon Park had completed the work according to specification.

The Engineer reported verbally that the contract had been completed according to specification.

The question of draining and seeding the new portion of Mahon Park was discussed and it was decided to lay this matter over for the Incoming Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Mayor and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to issue cheques payable to Dominion Bridge Company Ltd., upon progress Certificates duly certified by the City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Lane Purchase Bylaw, 1924, No. 2" 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 City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal; No. 622.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that in view of the verbal report of the Medical Health Officer, "that if booms of logs are kept off the street and at the foot of St. Patrick's Avenue, the beach is safe for bathing purposes", that this Council reconsider and rescind a former resolution with respect to demolishing the Bathing house and that same be restored to former condition, up to an expenditure of \$100.00, the City not to supply a caretaker during the remainder of this Season, the users of the beach to keep the premises in proper condition.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the City Hall, on Monday, September 29th instant, at 8 p.m.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed D. Donaghy, Mayor