

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 1924 AT 8:00 P.M.**

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

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended in order to meet a deputation from the School Board.

Whereupon deputation from the School Board addressed the Council with respect to estimates for Extraordinary expenditure, amounting to the net sum of \$9,000.00 for the erection of a four roomed annex frame building at Lonsdale School.

The Board estimated the life of the building at 20 years. Mr. Parkin, Chairman of the Board, stated that by September 1925, providing additional pupils continue enrolling in the same proportion as during the past year, arrangements will have to be made for two shifts in some of the Schools unless additional accommodation is provided.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that a Bylaw be prepared for submission at the January Election in the event of a formal request being received from the School Board to submit same for 20 year, 5 ½% Debentures, amount \$9,700.00 gross.

Mr. Dalton of the School Board briefly referred to some difference between the Treasurer and the Secretary of the School Board with reference to the issuing of School Teachers cheques, that the practise in other Municipalities is for the teachers cheques to be distributed on the last teaching day for the month; that unfortunately for the months of October and November the cheques were not received until after the beginning of the following month, working a hardship on a great many of the teachers.

Mayor Donaghy informed Mr. Dalton that the cause of delay at the end of November was his absence at Victoria on public business, that it was impossible for him to sign the cheques until Monday morning December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Dalton also filed for the information of the Finance Committee, memo re delay in cheques for the month of November.

The regular order of business was thereupon proceeded with.

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held November 17<sup>th</sup>, 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 Tolmie, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar, County Court, being receipt for registration of Bylaw No. 625 "Land Sales Bylaw No. 31".

Filed.

From the City Clerk, advising that the B.C. Electric Railway Company was prepared to let off and take on passengers at 29<sup>th</sup> Street and Lonsdale Avenue, as soon as street signs and car stop signs are installed.

These signs were installed and the car stopping at 29<sup>th</sup> Street on the morning of December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the B.C. Electric Railway Company be thanked for their prompt attention to the above matter and that the communication be filed.

From Major W.S. Lawrence, Esquimalt, reopening the question of the possibility of leasing D.L. 856 and 857 to the Department of Militia and Defence for Rifle Range purposes. This matter had been under consideration a number of years ago and on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1914 an offer had been made to the Department to lease, with an option to purchase.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, estimating the amount required for Waterworks extensions for the year 1925, \$5,000.00.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From J.M. Bryan, M..A. enclosing first printed draft of proposed bill relating to Greater Vancouver Water District.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From J.M. Bryan, M.L.A. advising that a Bill has been introduced in the Legislature providing for the constituting of an Automobile Court having jurisdiction over the lower mainland in all automobile matters; fines and proceeds would go into consolidated revenue.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Mr. Bryan be advised that this Council objects to the fines going to consolidated revenue of the Government and pointing out that the Municipalities would be compelled to take the proceedings, pay salaries for Police Department and Police Magistrate, without receiving any benefit.

From H.E. Landman, reporting that his wife had a nasty accident at the corner of Ridgeway and 13<sup>th</sup>, owing to the necessity of a street light.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

From the Attorney-General's Department, advising that Mr. Sargent has been appointed Judge of the Juvenile Court and Magistrate of the Small Debts Court.

Filed.

From the Deputy Provincial Secretary, advising that an Order-in-Council has been approved on November 24<sup>th</sup>, appointing Mr. R.A. Sargent to exercise within the territorial limits of his jurisdiction as Police Magistrate, in and for the City of North Vancouver, the powers conferred by the Small Debts Court Act.

The Clerk reported that the above appointment was gazetted on the 29<sup>th</sup> November.

Filed.

From C. Stephenson, drawing attention to the bad state of repair of St. Andrew's Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets, also a short bit of road from 8<sup>th</sup> down to Upper Keith Road adjoining Victoria Park.

Referred to Board of Works for inspection and report.

From E.W. Fane, applying to exchange Lot 17, Block 34, D.L. 550 for which he paid the City \$200.00 cash and taking in exchange therefore Lots 28 and 29, Block 205A, D.L. 545 listed at \$150.00 each, he paying the difference.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the School Board, applying to have 50 English Laurel shrubs reserved for High School grounds in the spring of 1925.

Referred to the Parks Committee and Superintendent with power to act.

From M.J. Gerard, applying to have the Trades License for shoe dealers reduced from \$15.00 to \$10.00 per year.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that Mr. Gerard be advised that the Council cannot see its way clear to make the reduction required, having previously so advised Mr. Gerard.

From David Henderson, complaining of congestion on street cars, particularly on the Lynn Valley line, also complaining of delay caused by cars being held up at 4<sup>th</sup> and Queensbury waiting for delayed cars.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From J.M. Bryan, M.L.A. enclosing copy of two draft bills which he has introduced in the Legislature: "Fire Departments Two-Platoon act, Amendment Act 1924"; also "Fire Departments Hours of Labour Act, Amendment Act, 1924".

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Secretary, Board of Trade, advising that a special meeting of the Board of Trade will be held in the City Hall, on Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> to consider asking the Council to submit a Money Bylaw for the purpose of building a new ferry, and inviting members of the Council to attend.

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

From the Secretary, Board of Trade, acknowledging receipt of letter re Town Planning and advising that the Board re-affirms its stand on this matter.

Filed.

From the Secretary, Board of Trade, stating that the Board is opposed to any suggestion to the Harbour Board removing the house boats from the South shore to the North Shore.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Secretary of the Harbour Board for information in the above matter.

From the Secretary to the Prime Minister, acknowledging receipt of telegram of the 28<sup>th</sup> instant, requesting the introduction of Town Planning Legislation at the present session, advising that the draft bill was not received until after the house was in Session and up to the present it has not been possible for the law officers of the Crown to examine the proposed bill.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the action of the Clerk in forwarding telegram to the Premier be endorsed, and that a copy of the Premier's letter be forwarded to the Board of Trade.

From J.M. Bryan, M.L.A. acknowledging receipt of telegram re Town Planning and stating that this Bill has not yet come before the Municipal Committee or the house, advising that when it does come down, it will receive his close attention.

Filed and copy to be forwarded to the Board of Trade.

From G.A. Simmons, applying for the lane to be opened up in Block 226A.  
Referred to the Board of Works.

From C. McDonnell, applying for the birding of the small stream crossing the lane near the back of his house in Block 237.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From H.J. McLatchy Box Company, applying for an adjustment of water.  
Referred to the Treasurer and Engineer's Department for report.

From James Ollason, C.M.C. enclosing copy of resolution releasing the City from any claim in ownership of the shelter on the East half of the approach to the West Vancouver Ferry wharf at Vancouver.

Filed.

From H.W. Farmer, 1924 Boulevard, complaining of the car service on the Lynn Valley line, also complaining of lack of unison between the car service and ferry service.

The Clerk was instructed to forward copy of above to Mr. Murrin of the B.C. Electric Railway Company.

From A.B. Woodworth, with respect to sidewalk to property 279 Keith Road East.  
Referred to the Board of Works Committee for report.

From B.A. Noble, applying for permission to remove the curb pump and equipment from its present location to the Esplanade West, to the curb in front of 137 Esplanade West. Also applying for permission to erect another 6000 gallon tank for Distillate.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the application for removing the curb pump and equipment from its present location to the curb in front of 137 Esplanade West, be granted, subject to satisfactory

lease being executed and subject to the approval and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and Fire chief.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Mr. Noble be granted permission to erect another 6000 gallon tank for distillate on his property, subject to the approval of the Fire Marshall.

From B.A. Noble, Esplanade West, applying to have the front of his lot, 137 Esplanade West hard surfaced together with a drain box or surfaced with 3" or 4" plank to the property line.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From L.W. Soday and Robert O'Hara applying for a Taxi License to operate on Lonsdale Avenue.

The Chief of Police reported that the application is in order and recommended. Referred to the Board of Works and Alderman Tolmie to report next meeting.

From E.H. Anderson, Secretary Ratepayers Association, inquiring what firms are receiving concessions from the City, and to what extent such applications are being lived up to, particularly in regard to the employment of North Shore residents; also inquiring if the reports furnished are founded on the number of days or hours worked per month or merely a list of those employed irrespective of time engaged; also requesting that copies of the Council Minutes be forwarded to Mr. Anderson, present Secretary, instead of to the former Secretary.

The Clerk was instructed to reply that during late months reports from Wallace's have been received showing number of days worked per month and that the Council has authorized that such reports be checked up.

From R. Hope and 11 others, applying for a street light at the corner of 16<sup>th</sup> and Ridgeway.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee for report.

From the Vancouver Pile Driving Company, dated December 1<sup>st</sup>, with further reference to their application for a fixed rate of taxation on Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 173.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, reporting that the Parks Department requires \$500.00 to meet its requirements to the end of the current year.

The Board of Works Committee requires \$3,875.00.

The estimates for the Waterworks Department will be sufficient to meet its requirements for the current year.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Collector, being report of collections for the month of November, also total for the eleven months, in comparison with the corresponding period last year.

Filed for Reference.

From the City Treasurer, re Better Housing collections, advising that principal on account of Better Housing to the amount of \$1,336.51 has been paid in during the last six months, and requesting authority to transfer from the Trust Account to the General Account, and that payment be authorized from the General account in the sum of \$1,300.00 on account of principal, also requesting authority to pay \$1,179.45 on account of interest.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to make the above requisite transfer and payment to the Provincial Government, total \$3,049.25.

From the City Collector, re Lot 23, Block 82, D.L. 550 requesting authority to issue a cheque to Messrs. Loutet & Company for the sum of \$8.00 being adjustment of water rates on above property.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to refund the sum of \$8.00 to Messrs. J. Loutet & Company, being adjustment of water rates under Statutory Declaration.

Tenders were received and dealt with for the following tax sale property.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the application of J. Hinton on behalf of a client to purchase Lots 5, Block 220C, D.L. 546, List price \$150.00 be accepted, subject to the purchaser paying an amount equivalent to proportion of taxes for the current year, along with first cash payment.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that taking into consideration the report of the Engineer that the garage supposed to be on lot 7, Block 23, D.L. 552, is on Lot 6, that Lot 7 be posted for sale at \$125.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the offer of North Vancouver Realty on behalf of a client to purchase Lots 7 & 8, Block 23, D.L. 552 at List price of \$125.00 and \$75.00 respectively be accepted, subject to the purchaser paying along with cash payment, an amount equivalent to proportion of taxes for the current year.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Lot 6, Block 23, D.L. 552 be advertised for sale as improved property, price \$225.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the application of L.B. Howard on behalf of a client, to purchase Lot 4, Block 91, D.L. 550 at list price \$200.00 be accepted, subject to purchaser paying along with first cash payment an amount equivalent to proportion of taxes for the current year.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the application of Horne, Taylor & Company on behalf of a client, to purchase Lots 10 and 11, Block 299, D.L. 545, at list price \$135.00 each, be accepted, subject to purchaser paying proportion of taxes for the current year,

along with first cash payment. (Rescinded by resolution of Council December 15<sup>th</sup>, 1924).

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the application of C.E. Lawson on behalf of a Mr. Sam Kee to purchase Lot 6, Block 163, D.L. 271 List price \$650.00 subject however, to the purchaser being permitted to construct a Laundry building as per plans filed with the Building Inspector, be accepted, subject to the purchaser paying long 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	\$1625.00	
Bank Charges	<u>205.68</u>	\$1,830.68
School		\$10,315.62
Ferry		\$8,322.33
Board of Works	\$701.20	
Payrolls	<u>\$998.23</u>	\$1,699.43
Waterworks	\$343.45	
	<u>105.00</u>	\$448.45
Fire & Light		\$1,169.00
Parks	\$196.90	
Payrolls	<u>140.28</u>	\$337.18
Police		\$1,496.66
Health	\$300.00	
	<u>110.00</u>	\$410.00

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the accounts of Cedars Limited, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1924, \$319.59 and \$321.87 and November 19/24 \$276.72 be paid by the Treasurer.

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

RECOMMEND that the account of Mr. Stephenson re arrears of rent, be referred to the Solicitor for attention.

Re Poll Tax

The Mayor was of opinion that the Poll Tax Bylaw should not apply to Clergymen, but that ordinarily those who are able to pay, should pay.

RECOMMEND that the matter of rent to be paid by the McLatchy Box Company on the waterfront, tot eh City, be referred to the Assessor for a report.

Re remuneration for Police Magistrate during the illness of Mr. Doney.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Phillips be paid per diem for each day he held Court, at the rate of \$125.00 per month.

Re contractors turning on water without applying for same.  
RECOMMEND that this matter be referred to the Chief of Police and if he has a concrete case that prosecution be instituted.

A report was received from W.D. McFarland and C.E. Lawson valuing Lots 9 and 10, Block 62, D.L. 549 at \$2,500.00 on terms. They consider some repairs should be made as some of the foundation posts are badly rotted and roof leaking.

RECOMMEND that Lots 9 and 10, Block 62, D.L. 549 be posted for sale at \$2,500.00 and that tenders be invited in the "North Shore Press" to be received December 15<sup>th</sup>.

RECOMMEND that the offer of the Royal Financial Corporation to sell to the City £600 Province of Manitoba Guaranteeing C.N.R. 4% bonds due June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1930 at 94.741 to yield 5.02% and accrued interest, be accepted on Sinking Fund Account; to replace the following debentures which the B.C. Bond Corporation were unable to furnish viz. £500 City of North Vancouver 5% due August 1<sup>st</sup> 1933 and £100 City of North Vancouver 4 ½% due September 1<sup>st</sup> 1961.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk reply to Mr. John Dean of Victoria with reference to his schedule of Statistics of various Cities principally in the United States, pointing out the impossibility of furnishing the information required at this busy time of the year.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Harron and resolved that the following report and recommendation of the Board of Works Committee, be adopted.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer report whether any private crossing shave been installed this year, at the City expense, the names of parties and cost. The Clerk also to look up former resolution of Council that no private crossings are to be installed except by the owner at the owner's cost and under the supervision of the Engineer.

RECOMMEND that the Board of Works submit report on cost of gaining access to City owned lots by way of improving Tempe Crescent, number of lots affected and approximate cost.

Mr. Nott former employee of the Board of Works interviewed the Committee with respect o conditions on Board of Works gangs.  
RECOMMEND that this matter be referred to the Superintendent of Works for a recommendation if he sees fit.

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



The Chairman reported having inspected location corner of 12<sup>th</sup> and St. Andrew's for which an application had been received for a street light, and recommends that a street light be installed at the corner of 12<sup>th</sup> and St. Andrew's.

RECOMMEND that the above recommendation of the Chairman be approved.

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

RECOMMEND that the matter of furnishing water for the Cemetery be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

RECOMMEND that an offer from J.R. Foster of \$3.00 for a dead tree in Mahon Park, be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

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

The Superintendent submitted price from Burrard Drydock Company for supplying 2 cast steel propeller bosses for No. 3 Ferry for the sum of \$395.00 per boss.

The Superintendent recommend that this work be done.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be authorized to have installed on No. 3 Ferry, two cast steel propeller bosses at the price of \$395.00 per boss.

Re application W.B. Knickerbocker for permission to operate standard busses from foot of Lonsdale.

The District of West Vancouver report that their Council have approved his application and will issue a bus license applied for.

The Chief of Police of this City recommends against permitting the large bus or auto stage to park at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue owing to the extra size of same.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Knickerbocker be advised that the Council cannot grant permission to park at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue, but suggests that he get in touch with the Chief of Police with a view to obtaining a stand on the Esplanade.

Re claim H. Smith \$154.50 and the McClary Manufacturing Co., \$10.00 for damage to automobiles at the C.P.R. Gates at Vancouver.

RECOMMEND that the two above accounts be paid, but that the Claims Agent of the C.P.R. be requested in future, to submit similar claims to the City of North Vancouver for investigation.

Re shipping bills.

Tenders were received from business Systems Ltd., J.C. Nicholson and C.H. Timms.

RECOMMEND that the tender of C.H. Timms be accepted, for the quantity required; 15,000 sets of 4, 25 sets to pad at \$160.00 or 25,000 in sets of 4, 25 sets to pad \$260.00.

Re application Paul E. Sykes, Student at Anglican Theological College, Haro Street, for students tickets.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Sykes be advised that the City cannot comply with his request and that he forwarded a synopsis of the tariff re Students Tickets.

RECOMMEND that suggested alteration in the delivery of newspapers, be referred to the Ferry Superintendent for a recommendation.

RECOMMEND that the action of the Superintendent in purchasing 900 feet of chain for the new lead, be approved.

The Superintendent reported that he hopes to have the new lead installed in about one month's time.

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

IN COMMITTEE

## IN COUNCIL

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

Alderman Tolmie reported re interview with the B.C. Electric Railway Company with respect to congestion on the street cars, it being understood that there is an extra car on the Lonsdale run in the evenings.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Mr. Murrin be thanked for his prompt attention in furnishing an extra car on Lonsdale Avenue during the rush hours in the evening.

Alderman Bridgman reported having interviewed the Minister of Public Works with respect to improving the road through Moodyville and a suggestion has been made that Moodyville be brought into the City limits.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Solicitor be instructed to draft bill bringing Moodyville into the City limits and that he notify the B.C. Mills Timber and Trading Company, or the owners of Moodyville of the proposed application of the City and that he forward a copy of such notification to the Government.

Alderman Irwin referred to an interview between the Ferry Committee and the management of the B.C. Electric Railway Company with respect to conditions on the South Shore and suggested that failing some satisfactory arrangements with the B.C. Electric Railway Company that the City Council be approached with a view to inaugurating a Motor Bus Service, meeting all boats and carrying passengers to the Post Office or neighbourhood.

Alderman Vance reported that the Harbour Board have favourably reported on the City's application to cancel waterlot leases in front of Lots 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8, Block 171, D.L. 274 which has already gone forward to the Department for approval.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Honourable Dr. King requesting that he use his best efforts in the matter of expediting the cancellation of above waterlot leases, pointing out that the existing leases are holding up industries.

Copies of List of tax sale lots to which the City secured title in October 1924, were distributed for information of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1924, No. 32" 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. 626.

Voting for: Aldermen Bridgman, Harron, Tolmie, Townsley, Vance and His  
Worship Mayor Donaghy .

Alderman Irwin was excused from voting.

At 12:10 a.m. it was moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by  
Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Council do now adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed        D. Donaghy, Mayor