

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 1925 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

At 10:05 Alderman Bridgman was granted permission to retire in order that he might go to Victoria in connection with Civic and municipal matters.

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held November 2nd, 1925, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver being receipt for Land Purchase Bylaw No. 666, Sewer Initiative Bylaws No. 667, 668, 669 and 670.
Filed.

From the Vancouver Dredging and Salvage Company, advising that a representative would meet the Council at the present session.
Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Native Sons of B.C. advising that Mr. David Stevens would address the Council as arranged, at the present meeting

Whereupon Mr. Stevens by permission, addressed the Council with respect to Douglas Day, November 19th.

Mr. Stevens spoke at some length outlining the founding of the Province of British Columbia and suggested that a sprig of Douglas fir be worn in the button-hole on Douglas Day, November 19th, not in memory of Sir James Douglas, but as being the emblem of British Columbia.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the thanks of this Council be extended to Mr. Stevens.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Engineer supply a quantity of sprigs of Douglas fir rot be available at the City Hall and ticket offices on the morning of November 19th.

From J.A. Wood, 571 – 17th Street East, applying for a crossing in the sidewalk to garage, stating that he is willing to comply with the requirements of the City and to pay \$7.00 for the work.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above application be approved and the Engineer authorized to construct a crossing in the sidewalk upon payment by Mr. Wood of \$7.00.

From the Council of the District of North Vancouver with respect to turning on street lights in the morning from 5:45 to 7:15 and for one-half hour after one o'clock in the morning, the additional cost being 65 cents per lamp per month.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Cameron and resolved that the Fire and Light Committee in cooperation with the Fire and Light Committee of the District, interview the management of the B.C. Electric Railway Company with respect to extra street light service, say all night service or an extra two hours for 3 months in the year.

From C.F. Eddington, applying for a Building permit to erect a dwelling costing \$2500.00 on Lot 12/5/273, approximate cost of laying water being \$200.00.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above application be approved, the Building Inspector authorized to issue Building permit and the Engineer authorized to lay water service.

From George Lewis, applying for a Building permit on Lot 7, Block 19, D.L. 272 cost of building \$300.00, the nearest water being at 3rd and Heywood.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Building Inspector be authorized to issue building permit to Mr. Lewis, subject to the applicant acknowledging that he is aware that there is no water service aid to the property and that he be given the right to procure water from a nearby existing tap and charged for same as service supply.

From Ralph Howarth, 933 McLean Drive, Vancouver, applying on behalf of First Vancouver Seymour Troop, for permission to erect a temporary log cabin on D.L. 856.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above applicant be requested to submit a sketch of proposed cabin and location where they would wish to erect same.

From the Ratepayers Association, approving of the action of the Council in calling a mass meeting re Pacific Great Eastern Railway extension and deprecating the reported interference of the Vancouver Board of Trade.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this Council endorse the action taken at a mass meeting of citizens in the K.P. Hall on Friday November 6th with respect to Pacific Great Eastern Railway extension and that a copy be forwarded to Alderman Bridgman at Victoria.

From F.W. Dalton, requesting that the Council consider the possibility of laying out a Municipal Golf course on the Boulevard and Boulevard Park.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Cameron and resolved that Mr. Dalton be informed that the Council cannot entertain the request as the conveyance of the Boulevard and Boulevard Park, prohibits such a course, but that the Council appreciates the endeavours of Mr. Dalton in securing a golf course for the North Shore.

From the City Treasurer, enclosing report of passenger receipts due the Pacific Great Eastern Railway for tickets sold during the month of October \$319.65.

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 \$319.65 due Pacific Great Eastern Railway for sale of tickets during the month of October.

From the Department of National Defence, stating that the Department is agreeable for the City constructing a covered drain across the Armoury property, also advising that an agreement will be drawn up and forwarded to the City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the thanks of this Council be conveyed to the Department of National Defence for their courtesy and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

From J.M. Bryan, M.L.A., advising that the Town Planning Bill will receive his closest attention and every assistance.

Filed.

From the Fire Chief, reporting with respect to application of S.M. McMillan, for permission to erect a shoe-shining, hat cleaning and clothes spotting establishment on the S1/2 Lot 15, Block 177, D.L. 271. The Underwriters advise that such an occupancy would not be rated as constituting a special hazard and that no charge would be levied on surrounding property. The occupant, however, would have to comply with the regulations covering such establishments.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Building Inspector be authorized to issue Building permit to S.M. McMillan, subject to his complying with all regulations.

From W.D. McFarland & Company, stating that they have a client who would purchase the old building No. 150 Second Street West, on Lot 18, Block 139, D.L. 274. This building belongs to the City, has been condemned and is in a very dilapidated condition.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that an advertisement be inserted in the North Shore Press inviting offers to purchase building as and where it stands, purchaser to be given 60 days to remove same and clear up all rubbish and debris from the premises.

From Palmer J. Cook, with respect to sawdust and smoke nuisance suggesting that it would be a good subject for investigation of Town Planning Committee.

The Engineer and Fire Chief submitted a report re sawdust nuisance in lower portion of the City, recommending that a Bylaw be passed by the Council making it unlawful for any person to permit any solid matter other than smoke to be produced or emitted from any smokestack or burner within the limits of the City. Such a Bylaw is already in force in Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that a synopsis of above report be forwarded to Mr. Cook and that the Fire and Light Committee and Solicitor draft and submit a Bylaw under Sub-section 162, Sec. 54.

From C.E. Lawson & Company, offering on behalf of the owner to sell to the City, lane portion being S ½ Lot A, north of Lots 31 and 32, Block 108, D.L. 274, price \$25.00.

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

From the City Clerk, advising that Section 16 of the Municipal Elections Act requires that the Council shall, before December 5th in each year appoint two Aldermen, who with the Mayor, shall form a Court of Revision of the Voters' List.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that Alderman Bridgman, Alderman Irwin and Mayor Donaghy be and they are hereby constituted a Court of Revision to correct and revise the voter's List for the City of North Vancouver for the year 1926 and such shall sit for the purpose aforesaid on the 10th day of December, 1925 at the hour of 10 a.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, North Vancouver.

From the City Engineer, recommending that Mr. H.H. Ballard be charged an annual rental for sewer connection to Lot 1, Block 30, D.L. 273. based on a cost of \$250.00, \$8.00 per annum for sinking fund based on 20 year term, \$12.50 per annum for interest; total annual charge \$20.50, and recommending that an agreement be entered into.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above report be received and adopted and the Engineer authorized to proceed with the work.

From the Ratepayers Association inquiring if the Council intends keeping the same staff during the winter months in the Engineer's Department, as has been maintained during the summer.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, submitting special assessment roll in connection with the construction of a concrete pavement on the north side of First Street from the easterly side of Lot 16, Block 157, D.L. 271 to the easterly side of Lot 20, Block 156, D.L. 274, under the Local Improvement Act as a work of local improvement. Owners portion of the cost \$1953.46, City's portion of the cost \$1188.54, total \$3142.00 annual interest \$107.44, sinking fund \$65.60, annual rate per foot frontage \$0.76906.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the above report and assessment roll be received and adopted and referred to a Court of Revision to be appointed and that the necessary notices be sent out, and required publication given.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that Mayor Donaghy, Alderman Bridgman, Alderman Cameron, Alderman Irwin, Alderman Tolmie, Alderman Townsley and Alderman Vance be and they are hereby appointed a court of Revision for the hearing of complaints against the Special Assessment under the "Corporation of the City of North Vancouver First Street Paving Local Improvement Construction Bylaw, 1925" No. 652 and that Mayor Donaghy be Chairman of said Court and that such Court sit on December 22nd, 1925 at 10 a.m. in the City Hall.

From the City Solicitor, re Terminal Rates, stating that he had arranged a consultation with the Solicitors of the Harbour Board, Bridge Company and the District of North Vancouver on November 13th. The attitude of the Solicitors of the Bridge Company is that the Company is no longer interested to any extent in the question, owing to the fact that the Company has handed over to the Harbour Commission all Railway rights on the Bridge.

The Solicitors for the Commissioners could not see that they were interested. They agreed however, to appear before the Railway Commission when the matter is finally heard, in support of the application.

Mr. Gray appeared before the Railway Commission on the morning of the 16th instant, adjourning the application until next sitting; also stating that a lot of work will have to be done in the interval so that as strong a case as possible may be presented.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that a copy of above letter be forwarded to the Tunnel and Bridge Company and the Directors from the City be urged to use every endeavour to have terminal rates established, and that the Councils of Vancouver, Districts of North and West Vancouver be requested to cooperate.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing Certificate of Title to Lot 4 of F, 2/1 and 2 2/23 & 24, D.L. 547 purchased from Geo. S. Eastman.

Filed.

Tenders were received for tax sale property as follows:

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the following applications to purchase tax sale properties, be accepted, purchaser to pay along with first cash payment, an amount equivalent to proportion of taxes for the current year:

Lot 16/141/274, List price \$750.00, Per W.D. McFarland
 Lot 20/141/274 List price \$750.00, Per W.D. McFarland
 Lot 4, Ex. S.10' / 90/550, List price \$250.00, Per Irwin & Billings Co.
 Lot 1/139/271-4, List price \$500.00, Per Irwin & Billings Co.
 Lot 18/235/546, List price \$150.00, Per Irwin & Billings Co.
 Lot 19/235/546, List price \$150.00, Per Irwin & Billings Co.

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:

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| Finance | \$666.11 | |
| Finance Bank Charges | 829.12 | |
| Finance Bank Charges | <u>982.90</u> | \$2,478.13 |
| School | | \$1,178.05 |
| Ferry | \$3840.71 | |
| | <u>12101.03</u> | \$15,941.74 |

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| Board of Works | \$660.00 | |
| | <u>568.89</u> | \$1,228.89 |
| Waterworks | \$1499.05 | |
| | <u>347.55</u> | \$1,846.60 |
| Fire & Light | | \$1,275.22 |
| Parks | \$53.58 | |
| | <u>109.99</u> | \$163.57 |
| Parks (Police) | | \$92.14 |
| Parks (Health) | \$436.32 | |
| | <u>76.00</u> | \$512.32 |

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1925, No. 47" 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. 671.

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

Alderman Irwin was excused from voting.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1925, No. 48" 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. 672.

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

Alderman Irwin was excused from voting.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Street Dedication Bylaw, 1925" 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 Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Street Dedication Bylaw, 1925", be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Street Dedication Bylaw, 1925" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Street Dedication Bylaw, 1925", be now read a third time.

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

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this Council do now proceed to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole. Alderman Vance was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

Alderman Irwin reported having attended the opening of Hastings School.

Alderman Irwin also reported that the Town Planning Committee had met with representatives from Greater Vancouver on the 16th instant, in Vancouver that the establishment of a Government Board has been eliminated from the draft bill, mainly at the instance of the Vancouver Council; that recommendations had been made requesting Councils to send representatives to Victoria, urging the passage of the Town Planning Act.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that this Council appoint one representative to meet the Municipal Committee or such Property Committee as has the Town Planning bill in hand.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Alderman Irwin be appointed such delegate.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Engineer take up with the management of the B.C. Electric Railway Company the matter of lowering the rails on First Street, to conform with permanent pavement.

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

RECOMMEND that the report of Relief given during the month of October, be filed.

RECOMMEND that the personal guarantee of Mr. Harry Ward, Band Master, re Band music dated November 9th, 1925, be filed.

Communication was received from Harry Ward, Band Master, requesting that a Band fund account be kept by the Clerk as Treasurer, in order that music may be requisitioned through him, also stating that he is considering the establishment of High Class Sunday concerts to be held after church has closed or at times which would not interfere with Church services, and requesting that the Council give permission to hold Sunday concerts on a collection basis, that is – no ticket selling; also requesting that no other band from Vancouver or elsewhere be allowed such privilege, at least until such time as population would support same. RECOMMEND that the Clerk be authorized to act as Treasurer of the Bank Fund account and that the Band Master be advised that he will have to have the support of the public in his application for permission to hold Sunday Band concerts, before the Council could see its way clear to grant such permission.

Re application J.DC. Wood, to have the rental of 476 Alder Street reduced.

RECOMMEND that such monthly rentals be uniform.

Re Trades license collections.

RECOMMEND that in cases where final notices have been given, that after such expiry date, if licenses have not been taken out, that the matter be handed over to the Solicitor for action.

RECOMMEND that in cases where final notices have not been given, that the Collector report at next meeting.

Re Wood Bylaw.

RECOMMEND that the Collector procure stencils for marking boxes on vehicles.

Re sinking fund.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer advise bond holders of maturity dates of securities required for sinking fund purposes and that offers be invited for December 7th.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Cameron and resolved that the report of the Board of Works Committee be adopted, Alderman Irwin protesting against the recommendation of the Board of Works to undertake at once, the work of widening and improving Bewicke Avenue, his objection being that the proposed plan will not eliminate the danger at this point:

RECOMMEND that the Engineer repair that portion of Fell Avenue north of Keith Road which was washed out a year or more ago, to make same passable for vehicles.

RECOMMEND that warning signs be installed at 3rd and Lonsdale and 3rd and Queensbury.

RECOMMEND that the North Vancouver Hospital management be advised that a cement sidewalk 120 x 4 feet will cost approximately \$100.00, that this could be done more economically by undertaking the whole section of sidewalk in this Block rather than doing a small portion at one time, and that a recommendation be forwarded to the Incoming Council that this section be included in the larger scheme of concrete walks in the 1926 programme.

RECOMMEND that the application of Geo. Josephson of 734 – 17th Street West, be laid over on account of the difficulty in building a road to give access to his property which is situated in the ravine formed by the Mosquito Creek.

RECOMMEND that the application of J.S. Morrison for a sidewalk on the north side of 4th Street be granted and that a 4' sidewalk be constructed from St. David's Avenue easterly for a distance of approximately 250' at an estimated cost of \$100.00; this sidewalk to accommodate two houses.

RECOMMEND that the application of E.W. Fane to have brush cut on the boulevard in front of Lot 4/228/545 be granted has he is preparing to build.

RECOMMEND that the application of A. Polonis and others to have lane opened between 16th and 17th Streets in Block 28, D.L. 547-8 be granted and that \$120.00 be expended in addition to work already authorized.

RECOMMEND that application of Alfred N. Read to have lane opened in Block 21, D.L. 547-8 be granted and that \$100.00 additional be spent towards opening up this lane in addition to the amount already authorized.

RECOMMEND that application of W.A. Ogden and others to have a graded pathway constructed on Jones Avenue between 22nd and 23rd Streets and between 19th and 20th Streets, be granted; that graded pathway be constructed on Jones Avenue between 22nd and 23rd Streets in line with sidewalk already constructed between 21st and 22nd Streets and that the said pathway be drained; also that graded pathway be constructed between 19th and 20th Streets at an estimated cost of \$80.00.

Re application J. Fowler and others to have lane in Block 167, D.L. 274 improved for traffic.

RECOMMEND that the impassable parts of this lane be improved by gravelling same.

On account of several applications for crossings on 22nd Street opposite Lonsdale School.

RECOMMEND that 4' sidewalk be constructed on North side of 22nd Street from Lonsdale to Chesterfield at cost of \$280.00.

Also to accommodate children at the new Lonsdale School Annex.

RECOMMEND that a 4' sidewalk be constructed on the East side of Chesterfield Ave., in front of Lonsdale Avenue School Annex and southerly to connect with walk at the bridge near 20th Street, at an estimated cost of \$200.00.

RECOMMEND that 22nd Street be gravelled from Lonsdale Avenue to Chesterfield Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer be authorized to make repairs to the lane at the rear of 146 – 17th Street, applied for by Mr. Fred Zuehlke.

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

The Chairman drew attention to the rates in effect for automobiles, particularly the tariff on Sundays and Holidays and the hours during which commutation auto tickets and 30 cents auto tickets were good on Sundays and Holidays.

RECOMMEND that effective December 1st, the following alteration be made:

That commutation auto tickets 30 for \$6.00 be good at all hours and days,

Also that Auto 30 cents straight be good on all hours and days, thereby eliminating the passenger auto 50 cents single ticket.

Also that express rig be reduced from 2 tickets for 75 cents to 25 cents each way and that the Solicitor submit an amending Bylaw.

The Chairman drew attention to the question of setting aside \$30,000.00 into Special reserve account for the Ferry and transferring \$10,000.00 additional from Ferry to City General account.

RECOMMEND that the sum of \$30,000.00 be set aside under Section 204 of the Municipal Act, for special reserve fund, and that \$10,000.00 additional be transferred from Ferry account to City General account, providing the Treasurer reports before the end of the year, that said amounts are available for such purpose.

Letter was received from Bell, Mitchell Ltd., enclosing cheque from Toronto Casualty Insurance Company, draft No. 2015, amount \$40.00 in

payment of claim against the Fraser Valley Milk producers Association, July 13th.

This matter being in order, it was recommended that the cheque for \$40.00 be accepted in settlement of City's claim against the Fraser Valley Milk Producers Association for property damaged on July 13th, 1925, that the necessary release be authorized and receipt signed by the proper authorities.

Communication from K.H. Ray, applying for renewal of lease of the Refreshment Booth on the Vancouver wharf, which expires March 31st, 1926.

RECOMMEND that the above communication lay on the table.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be authorized to erect a partition on the south side of the Refreshment booth on the Vancouver side, at approximate cost of \$50.00.

The mayor inquired if there was any report from the Superintendent of having discharged Mr. W. McLaren, Engineer on the ferry.

The Chairman reported that the matter had been left with the Chairman of Ferry Committee, the Superintendent and Solicitor and that Mr. McLaren had been discharged on the 10th instant.

Mr. McLaren was present but was not heard, the members of Council being of the opinion that the head of a Department should be responsible for the employees.

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

Communication was received from the Sanitary Inspector, stating that owing to one of the horses on the garbage team going lame, he was obliged on November 10th, to hire another horse at \$1.00 per day, and again recommending the purchase of a horse for the use of the garbage team.

RECOMMEND that an extra horse be purchased for the use of the garbage Department, price not to exceed \$175.00, subject to satisfactory try-out and subject to being passed by the Veterinary Surgeon.

Plan was submitted for the re-subdivision of Lots 25 and 26, Block 70, D.L. 271. Lots 25 and 26 facing north and south are being re-subdivided to face east and west, owing to there being two houses on the lots.

The Engineer reported recommending that the plan be approved. Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the above plan be approved and the Engineer authorized to sign approval of same, upon necessary requirements having been complied with.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the city Hall on Monday, November 23rd, instant, at 8:00 p.m..

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed D. Donaghy, Mayor