

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, DECEMBER 21ST, 1925 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held December 7th 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.

The Minutes of Adjourned meeting of Council, held December 14th, 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 City Clerk, advising that all the members of Council constitute Court of Revision of the Special Assessment Roll for paving First Street West. Court of Revision sits on Tuesday, December 22nd at 10 a.m.

Filed.

From the North Vancouver Sawmills Ltd., applying for a fixed assessment on their property in accordance with the terms set out last year.

Mr. Baird being present, stated that the intention of the Company is to rebuild immediately, their Company being held up by reason of the Harbour Board not having settled on right-of-way for Terminal Railway.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that a wire be forwarded to the proper Department of the Government, outlining delay re construction of Terminal Railway and requesting information.

Communication was also received from C.H. Cates & Sons Ltd., applying for a fixed assessment on its 50 feet of waterlot adjoining Chesterfield Avenue at \$100.00 per front foot, for a period of 10 years, and stating they have an annual payroll of \$15,000.00 and would agree to employ only white workmen and all men would be residents of the City. Permission has been obtained from the Vancouver Harbour Board to extend their wharf and as soon as the road is opened, they intend moving their plan and constructing warehouses.

Captain Cates being present, by permission, addressed the Council, stating that their purpose is to gradually improve their property and pay for improvements as they go along. At the present time ten men are employed permanently, all residents of the North Shore.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Solicitor draft an agreement, the Company to employ ten white workmen, 75% to be residents of the City, agreement to be for a period of 10 years, at a fixed assessment of \$100.00 per front foot.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Solicitor draft agreement between the City and North Vancouver Sawmills Limited along the lines of agreement entered into May 11th, 1925.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cameron and resolved that the Burrard Dry Dock Company; Vancouver Dredging and Salvage Company; C.H. Cates & Sons Ltd; and North Shore Sawmills Limited; pay for drafting and preparing agreements.

From O. Beach, 815 – 15th Street East, stating that they are improving Lot 27 of 1 to 5, Block 11, D.L. 616 and requesting that a large stump be removed between the sidewalk and the property line.

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

From the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners, enclosing copy of report made by John Lockhart re proposed alterations to the plant of the Burrard Dry Dock Company to accommodate Terminal Railway, said report including estimate of cost of necessary alterations amounting to \$171,340.00.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Treasurer, enclosing report of Pacific Great Eastern Railway tickets sold during the month of November, amount \$220.45.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue cheque in payment of above account to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

From A.G. Perry, Local Manager, B.C. Electric Railway Company, advising that instructions have been issued that all southbound cars come to a positive stop at the intersection of 3rd and St. Davids.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a letter of thanks be forwarded to the B.C. Electric Railway Company.

From the Burrard Dry Dock Company, enclosing list of employees during the month of November. 237 in number of which 180 are residents of North Vancouver City.

Referred to the Clerk to check up and report.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing draft lease with K.A. Ray re Refreshment stand on the Vancouver Ferry wharf, for a period of three years from the 1st day of April 1926, at an annual rental of \$1800.00 payable \$150.00 month in advance; provision also for renewal of lease for a further term of two years at a fair rental to be fixed by the Lessor, the Lessee before the 30th day of April 1926, to make additions and improvements to a value of approximately \$2000.00.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the above referred to lease, be approved and that the Mayor and clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

The Solicitor submitted draft agreement with Burrard Dry Dock Company, re fixed assessment for a period of 10 years, assessment \$50.00 per front foot on the south portion of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 and on Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 in Block 176, and Lots 52 and 53, Block 166, D.L. 274,. Also 10,000 gallons of water per day be exempted.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above agreement be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

The Solicitor submitted draft agreement with the Vancouver Dredging and Salvage Company Ltd., and Newton Townley Burdick re fixed assessment on 250 feet of waterlot at \$80.00 per front foot for a period of 10 years, the Company agreeing to employ not less than 30 white workmen, 75% of which shall be residents of the City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above agreement be approved and that he Mayor and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

Report was received from the City Engineer, re extension of 3rd Street through Block 68, estimated cost of expropriation and grading and paving \$6,095.00, estimated cost of timber bridge \$5,000.00, estimated cost of concrete bridge \$8,000.00, estimated cost of making cut off across the corner of Lot 26, Block 68 \$2,050.00.

The Engineer also reported that the present Bridge on 3rd Street over the ravine is 14 years old and the life of the structure has practically expired.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, being report of the cost of sanitary sewer on the north side of 4th Street from the lane East of Lonsdale to the west side of St. Andrew's Avenue, as a Local improvement, estimated cost \$5,000.00, owners portion \$4,770.00, City's portion \$230.00, the estimated annual special rate 30 cents per foot frontage, 20 annual instalments.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report be received and adopted.

From the City Engineer and Fire Chief, recommending that permission be granted Tons and Hare to install a gasoline pump and tank on the curb under the usual restrictions and subject to an agreement being entered into by the owner of the property.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that permission be granted to install pump and tank applied for, subject to an agreement being drafted satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

From W.D. McFarland & Co., requesting permission to pay one-third of the balance owing on Lots 3 and 4, Block 142, D.L. 274 and the balance to be divided into two payments, payable in 6 and 12 months and stating that they will arrange to pay the taxes in arrear at the earliest possible date.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that providing one-third of the balance owing is paid that the extension of time be granted.

From Geo. Smith, applying for a right-of-way to haul lumber through District Lots 856 and 857, also applying for lease of land on bank of Seymour Creek on which to erect sawmill.

Mr. Smith being present, addressed the Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that Mr. Smith be granted the concession applied for, for a period of five years at a rental of \$1.00 per year, location of road and site for mill to be to the satisfaction of the City Engineer. All debris and other waste to be cleared up at the end of the period.

From the Ratepayers Association, stating that the Association is of the opinion that the granting of a franchise or permission for Pacific Stages Ltd., to operate stage line through this City from West Vancouver to Vancouver, is too serious a matter to be dealt with in any hurried manner, recommending that no definite action be taken in the meantime, but be laid over for the new Council, stating that due consideration should be give to local stage lines.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Ratepayers Association be advised that there have been no applications received from local stage lines; that nothing further has yet been done in the matter; that should any local stage lines require permission to operate as suggested, that they make immediate application and that the mater lay on the table in the meantime.

From the Second Narrows Bridge Celebration Committee, enclosing audited statements made up to December 7th and stating that the deficit shown therein has been wiped out by sales from souvenir booklets and that it is proposed to expand the small balance in hand by mailing Souvenirs to various publicity and tourist bureaus.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above report be received and copy mailed to the Ratepayers Association.

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

Alderman Vance, Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Board of Works, Waterworks, Ferry, 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	\$2426.50	
	<u>1764.82</u>	\$4,191.32
School		\$11,703.49
Board of Works	\$405.00	
	<u>672.53</u>	\$1,077.53
Waterworks		\$400.00
Ferry		\$516.26
Fire & Light		\$1,379.00
Parks		\$250.00
Parks (Police)		\$1,100.50
Parks (Health)		\$310.00

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the time and place for holding Nominations of Candidates for Mayor, Aldermen, School Trustees and Police Commissioner of the City of North Vancouver for the year 1926, shall be in the council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, the 11th day of January 1926, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 2 o'clock p.m.

And that the Returning Officer for the Municipal Elections for the year 1926, shall be R.F. Archibald, with the usual powers in that behalf;

And that the place, at which a Poll shall be opened in the Municipality of the City of North Vancouver, in case a poll is required, shall be No. 115 First Street East;

And be it further resolved that C.E. Lawson, R.C. Lawrence, J.L. Dodds and S.A. Lawrence be and they are hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officers at said Election.

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

RECOMMEND that the Ferries maintain a 40 minute service as was done last year on Christmas and New Year's Day.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be authorized to make arrangements for carrying the early morning mail on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

RECOMMEND that \$30,000.00 from Ferry account be set aside for special reserve and \$10,000.00 transferred from Ferry account to City General Account.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to provide same depreciation as was allowed last year.

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

RECOMMEND that the garbage department be authorized to dump garbage on Lots 1 and 2, resub. of 2, Block 135, D.L. 271.

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

Communication was received from the North Vancouver Choral Society conveying appreciation for courtesy in loaning lumber to extend the platform for the concert which was held in the Lonsdale Theatre on December 7th.

RECOMMEND that the above communication be filed.

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

RECOMMEND that the annual civic meeting be held in the K.P. Hall at 8 p.m. on Monday, January 11th, 1926, and that the Clerk be authorized to insert an advertisement in the North Shore Press and secure the K.P. Hall for said date.

RECOMMEND that prices be invited for printing annual statement.

The Treasurer of the 6th Field Company Band reported that approximately \$91.50 is net receipts for band concert, held in the Losndale Theatre on Sunday, December 20th and requesting instructions to whom to turn over this amount.

RECOMMEND that the Band be thanked and instructed to turn the net receipts of the Band concert over to the Central Relief organization.

Alderman Townsley reported that the sale of holly, donated to the Red Cross and V.O.N. had realized approximately \$70.00.

The Clerk reported that representatives of the W.H. Smith Estate have paid any monies due the City on account of W.H. Smith estate and stated that they desire a conveyance from the City to R.B. Ellis, official administrator.

RECOMMEND that necessary procedure be taken to convey Lot 30, Block 132, D.L. 274 to R.B. Ellis, Official Administrator, estate W.H. Smith.

Communication was received from the Secretary, Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, stating that the City has been credited on the books of the Company, with the sum of \$869.21 being interest at 6% per annum for the year ending December 31st, 1925, on the sums advanced by the City in accordance with agreement for the guaranteeing of Series "A" Bridge Debentures. The City account now has a credit of \$22,850.00 as at December 31st, 1925.

RECOMMEND that the above communication be filed.

Communication was received from M.J. Crehan, conveying appreciation for his appointment to audit the accounts of the City Board of School Trustees.

RECOMMEND that the above communication be filed.

The Treasurer verbally reported having received a request from Mr. McDiarmid who had purchased Lot 18, Block 141, D.L. 274 agreeing to pay \$300.00 providing the balance could be extended for a reasonable time.

RECOMMEND that the above request be granted.

The Treasurer verbally reported having received a request from Mr. Slade who had purchased the S ½ Lot 28, Block 228, D.L. 545 requesting for extension of time.

RECOMMEND that the above matter be laid over, the Treasurer to communicate with Mr. Slade, requesting a cash payment on account.

The Treasurer verbally reported having received a request from J.B. Ker, applying for extension of two months on payment of balance on Lots 1 to 6 of 12, Block 7, D.L. 616.

RECOMMEND that the above matter be laid over, the Treasurer to communicate with Mr. Ker requesting a cash payment on account.

The Treasurer presented report re arrears of rentals.

RECOMMEND that the above report be received and laid over until the New Year.

The Treasurer also submitted a report re Licenses.

RECOMMEND that the above report be received and laid over until after the New Year.

RECOMMEND that the Building Inspector fill in the blanks on applications for Building permits showing names and addresses of all parties plainly, both contractor and owner.

RECOMMEND that the Building Inspector furnish proper information with respect to water payments of all parties applying for building permit.

The Treasurer verbally reported having received a request from Mr. J.J. McBain for an extension of time on some property purchased by him on 5th Street.

RECOMMEND that the time applied for by Mr. McBain be extended.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to adjust tax payment on Lots 22 and 23, Block 127, D.L. 274.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to adjust taxes net on Lot 14, Block 8A, D.L. 616, Mary Ann Gittens.

RECOMMEND that the purchase from the Royal Financial Corporation of \$1,000.00 City of North Vancouver guaranteeing Ferry 3% bond due 1950 at 95.91 to yield 5.3% be authorized out of Ferry savings.

RECOMMEND that the cheque for Soldiers Widows and orphans fund be made payable to serve the best purposes, amount \$50.00.

RECOMMEND that the Assessor and Building Inspector report on value of Horticultural Buildings and improvements made recently thereon.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to allow same depreciation on City properties as in previous years.

The Treasurer reported having received \$10.05 on account of Armenian Near East Relief funds.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to turn the above sum over to the Head office for B.C. Armenian Near East Relief fund.

RECOMMEND that the Second Narrows Bridge Celebration Committee be requested to hold a Closing out meeting.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Laundry Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw, 1925 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. 675.

Alderman Bridgman and Alderman Tolmie voting against.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Fourth Street Sanitary Sewer Initiative Bylaw, 1925" 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. 676.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Fourth Street Sanitary Sewer Initiative Bylaw, 1925, 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. 677.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Ferries Operation and Maintenance Bylaw, 1925" 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. 678.

Alderman Bridgman recommended that all accounts for the month of December be in for authorization for payment at the meeting of December 28th.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Council do now adjourn, to reconvene in the City Hall on Monday, December 28th, 1925, at 8 p.m.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed E. H. Bridgman, Acting Mayor