

MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, THURSDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 1926 AT 8 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Morden
Alderman Bridgman
Alderman Cartwright
Alderman Irwin
Alderman Loutet
Alderman Tolmie
Alderman Townsley

Acting Mayor Bridgman of the 1925 Council welcomed the Mayor and Aldermen to the Council Board.

Mayor Morden, in a few well chosen words, welcomed the Aldermen to the deliberations of the 1926 Council, stating that there is a number of matters which it is hoped will receive early attention.

The various Aldermen thanked Mayor Morden for his kind Words and all expressed the hope that the meetings would be harmonious.

The Clerk reported having received Certificates that Mayor Morden, Alderman Cartwright, Alderman Irwin and Alderman Townsley had taken the required Oath of Office, which he was instructed to file in the usual manner.

Mayor Morden submitted a list of Standing Committees for the year 1926, as follows:

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Including Schools and Police)

Alderman E.H. Bridgman, Chairman
Alderman J. Loutet
Alderman B.E. Townsley

FERRY COMMITTEE

Alderman W.A. Tolmie, Chairman
Alderman E.H. Bridgman
Alderman J. Loutet

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

(Including Sanitary and Storm Sewers, Lanes and Public Safety)

Alderman W.J. Irwin, Chairman
Alderman B.E. Townsley
Alderman C. Cartwright

FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

Alderman B.E. Townsley, Chairman

Alderman W.A. Tolmie
Alderman E.H. Bridgman

WATERWORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman J. Loutet, Chairman
Alderman C. Cartwright
Alderman W.J. Irwin

PARKS & BOULEVARDS COMMITTEE
(Including Health, Hospitals and Cemetery)

Alderman C. Cartwright, Chairman
Alderman W.A. Tolmie
Alderman W.J. Irwin

INDUSTRIAL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Alderman J. Loutet, Chairman
Alderman C. Cartwright

TAX SALE LANDS COMMITTEE

The Whole Council.

REPRESENTATIVE ON CAPILANO PARK BOARD

Alderman C. Cartwright

REPRESENTATIVE ON HOSPITAL COMMITTEE

Alderman E. H. Bridgman.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, Seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the appointment of the Standing Committees as made by the Mayor for the year 1926, be and is hereby approved and confirmed.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From E.W. Hamber, President and General Manager of the B.C. Mills Timber and Trading Co. Ltd., dated January 7th, inquiring on what authority the Council of the City of North Vancouver can convey to the Harbour Commissioners, 66 feet from the East to the West boundary of Moodyville; also advising that they have notified the Harbour Commissioners, and their Solicitors asking them to take necessary action to prevent his contemplated transfer.

The Clerk read a copy of night letter forwarded by the Acting Mayor to D. Donaghy, M.P. at Ottawa, with reference to the above matter, to which a reply had been received, stating that Mr. Donaghy was busy with Chairman Kirkpatrick and the Department on Railway, including Moodyville Road.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a reply be forwarded to Mr. Hamber that the subject matter of his letter is under advisement, and that the matter of publicity in connection with the above, be left in the hands of the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that future correspondence or telegrams in connection with the above matter be dealt with in Committee.

A telegram was received from Mayor Donaghy from Ottawa, conveying best wishes to whole Council, requesting their advice and guidance in North Shore affairs, satisfactory progress being made with Harbour Railway matter. Chairman Kirkpatrick will report on his return to Vancouver.

Filed.

Annual report of the Fire Chief for the year ending December 31st, 1925.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above report be received and filed.

The report of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, for the year ended December 31st, 1925 was submitted, attached thereto being copy of Auditor's report.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the above report be received and filed.

From the Secretary, Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, advising of the Annual Shareholders meeting at 4 p.m. Friday, January 22nd, and requesting that the City Council pass a resolution appointing the Mayor or another member of Council to attend the shareholders meeting, with power to vote on the City's shares.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that Mayor George H. Morden be and he is hereby appointed to represent the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver and to vote in respect of the Corporation's shares at the Annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company to be held on Friday the 22nd day of January, 1926, and that in the alternative Alderman E.H. Bridgman be appointed to represent and vote on the shares of the Corporation.

From the Secretary, Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, stating that the Mayor is ex-officio a Director of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company and requesting that the Council appoint one of its members as a second director.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that Alderman E.H. Bridgman be and he is hereby appointed to represent the City of North Vancouver on the Board of Directors of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company.

From the Superintendent of Lands, Victoria, requesting that the City remit the statutory fee of \$10.00 for grant, covering D.L. 856 and 857.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the Statutory fee of \$10.00 be forwarded to the Department of Lands for grant of D.L. 856 and 857.

From J. Mahoney, Government Agent, Vancouver, applying for a pass on the ferry for Government Agent, and any member of his staff, and/or auto, to be used while on Government business.

Referred to New Business.

From the Secretary, Board of Trade, intimating that the Board may submit an application for the use of the room over the ticket office at the ferry wharf. It has been suggested that the Board could use this room as a general Committee room and for bureau meetings.

Referred to New Business.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, conveying appreciation for the friendly co-operation of the Council in matters pertaining to the welfare of the Schools during the past year.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above communication be acknowledged and good wishes reciprocated.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, enclosing copy of Auditor's report from the Books and accounts of the Board for the year 1925, together with copy of detailed audited statement of receipts and disbursements and requesting the inclusion of the detailed audited statement in the City's published statement.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the above communication be received and request complied with.

From S. Morgan, 1070 Pender St. West, Vancouver, stating that he has heard that the auto camps are to be rented during the coming year, and applying for the rental of Heywood Park auto camp.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Parks Committee for report.

From the City Solicitor, advising that at the 1925 Session of the Legislature, the "Municipal Act" was amended by adding Section 211a, providing that the Municipal Council may by resolution passed by at least three-fifths of all the members, exempt from taxation any lands within the limits of such Municipality which have been acquired by any other Municipality for water purposes, but which are not actually in use for such purpose, pointing out that the above power lies with the Council and not with the Court of Revision.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Notice of Appeal against the Assessment of watershed lands in the District be lodged and that the Water Committee take up with the District Council, the matter of exemption of watershed lands owned by the City within the District.

From H.C. Wright, complaining of the condition of 15th Street East of the Boulevard, and requesting that some gravel be placed on same.

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

From Natalie Johnson, stating that they are considering purchasing property and dwelling house on Lots 67 and 68, D.L. 598 and inquiring whether the Council would consider giving her water up to the City boundary on Dudley Road.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above request be referred to the Waterworks Committee to confer with the District Council.

From the City Clerk, advising that it is necessary to appoint a Court of Revision to consider and deal with the Assessment Roll for the year 1926.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the Court of Revision be held as required by Statute for the purpose of considering and dealing with the Assessment Roll for the year 1926, and that the first sitting of said Court of Revision be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4th Street West on Monday the 8th day of February 1926 at 10 o'clock a.m. and that His Worship Mayor G.H. Morden, and Aldermen Bridgman, Cartwright, Irwin, Loutet, Tolmie and Townsley be and they are hereby appointed to constitute such Court.

From Fred Corkill, applying for Building permit for one story frame gas station North West corner 3rd and Forbes Avenue on the Mission Indian Reserve cost of building approximately \$1500.00, also applying for crossing on 3rd Street and to connect with sewer.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above application be referred to Committee of the Whole as to principle.

From W. Roaney, Mount Crown Block, making application for Returned Soldier's bungalow should the City have one available in the near future.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the above application be filed for reference.

From McAlpine & McAlpine, enclosing account for \$100.00 for search and report re City's application for waterlot at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above be referred to the Finance Committee to take up with Messrs. McAlpine and McAlpine.

From Wm. Bow and others, applying for street light at the corner of 29th and Tempe Crescent.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee for report.

From Natalie Johnson, advising that the existing Westmoreland Crescent encroaches on her property Lots 19, 20 and 21/7/552 on which she intends erecting a dwelling.

Referred to the Board of Works for report.

From Geo. R. Dennis, applying for renewal of rental of Larson's Pavilion for the year 1926, on same terms as 1925.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the application of George R. Dennis for rental of garage at present occupied by him, 178 Esplanade West, be granted under the same terms and conditions as for the year 1925,

viz., to the end of 1926, without renewal privilege at the rate of \$25.00 per month, payable monthly, subject to 60 days notice should the City require the premises.

From H.C. Wright, Relief Officer, advising re Mrs. Margaret A. Allen of 319 – 1st Street East, that authority was given for two payments of \$20.00 each for the months of November and December and requesting further instructions.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that payment of \$20.00 for relief Mrs. Margaret A. Allen be paid for the month of January and that the Relief Officer submit further report.

From the City Clerk, advising that the Assessment of City properties in the District for 1926 is the same as for 1925, excepting that improvements on Block D in D.L. 1016 have been increased from \$1500.00 to \$5000.00 dam and intake.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above assessment be referred to the deputation to be appointed to approach the Court of Revision of the District in support of appeal against assessment.

From the City Assessor, enclosing lists of all tax sale properties to which the City has title, one list being of properties to which the City acquired title in 1925.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Assessor, suggesting that when applications are invited for the purchase of Tax Sale property and more than one purchaser bids at the same time for one lot, suggests that the lot or lots affected be withdrawn and put up for tender.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From West Vancouver Stages, stating that they desire to place in service between North Vancouver and West Vancouver two new 20 passenger regular sedan type stages.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Vancouver Board of Trade, advising that the Vancouver Board will be the hosts to the Boards of Trade of the surrounding Municipalities on Friday, February 5th at Hotel Elysium.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the City pay the membership fee of Mayor Morden in the Vancouver Board of Trade for the year 1926.

From the Burrard Dry Dock Company Ltd., requesting that another Bylaw fixing the assessment on their property be submitted to the ratepayers as soon as possible and enclosing the firm's cheque for \$175.00 to cover the cost of taking the said vote.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

Tenders were received for supplying 2200 water notices and 2000 special notices.

North Shore Press Limited	\$20.75
Shoemaker, McLean & Veitch Ltd.	\$20.50

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the lowest tender, viz, that of Shoemaker, McLean and Veitch Ltd., at the price of \$20.50 be and is hereby accepted.

Upon instructions of Council a plan showing dedication for road purposes Lots 16 and 17 and portions of Lots 1 to 15, Block 178, D.L. 271 was submitted.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

Report and recommendation by the Finance Committee on election accounts was submitted by Alderman Bridgman, Chairman, and read to the meeting, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the accounts to the amount of \$568.80.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the account of A.C. Miller for feed, dated December 31st, amount \$115.65 be authorized paid, same being properly O.K.'d by the City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the account of J.R. Foster dated January 8th for one cord of wood, amount \$7.00 (Relief) be authorized paid.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the account of the North Shore Press \$8.40 dated January 15th, be authorized paid.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that Disbursement warrant for monthly assistance, amount \$115.00 be authorized paid.

Alderman Townsley submitted a motion that all the men in the employ of the City during the last half of December 1925, be paid full wages for Christmas Day and New Year's Day last past.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Board of Works Committee submit to the Council at next meeting, a report and recommendations as to the construction of new cement sidewalks, including:

- a) The particular graded streets and blocks where such sidewalks are deemed necessary.
- b) The estimated costs of such sidewalks and the proportion to be borne by the fronting owners and the City.
- c) Any other recommendation pertaining to permanent sidewalk construction.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Clerk order 18 copies of Town Planning Act, one to be furnished each member of Council and others for members of the Town Planning Committee.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to renew Ferry Insurance as same comes due.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Ferry Committee be appointed to wait on the Finance Committee of the Vancouver

Council re exemption from taxation of the Vancouver terminals, and that the Clerk arrange a meeting.

Alderman Tolmie reported that it is necessary to effect repairs to the landing floating portion of the dock at Vancouver and make a new bridge approach to the West Vancouver Ferry float, cost of lumber will be approximately \$719.84.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Superintendent be authorized to secure the necessary lumber, proceed with the work and employ ferry hands where possible.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Clerk place on the agenda for submission to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities the question of altering voting hours at Elections.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Standing Committees for the year 1926 meet at 7 o'clock p.m. on the First and Third Monday in each and every month.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to renew indemnity bonds on employees as they mature, at best possible prices.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Mayor and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to issue cheque in payment of monthly salary payrolls, also Committee payrolls for labour, upon same being properly certified by the head of each Department and by a member of such Committee, such payrolls to be submitted at next meeting of Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that all monthly salary cheques be made out and signed in time to issue on the morning of the last day of each month; should the last day fall on a Sunday or a Holiday, cheques to be issue on the previous day, and should said previous day fall on a Saturday, cheques to be issued on Friday. December cheques to be issued before Christmas. Ferry cheques excepted.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that accounts subject to short time discount be paid, including fuel accounts for ferry, upon being certified by the head of the department and Chairman of such Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that parties leaving the employ of the City between payrolls, and parties requiring interim payments, be paid on written order of Executive officer in charge of department.

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

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Clerk be authorized to subscribe for ten copies of the "Municipal News of B.C." for the year 1926.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1926" 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. 683.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1926, No. 50" 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 Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1926, No. 50", be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1926, No. 50" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw, 1926, No. 50", be now read a third time.

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

Voting for: Aldermen Bridgman, Cartwright, Loutet, Tolmie, Townsley, and His Worship Mayor Morden.

Alderman Irwin was excused from voting.

At 10:20 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that this meeting of Council adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor