

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 1926 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Clerk reported having received telephone message from Alderman Irwin that he was unable to attend the meeting owing to severe cold, under the Doctor's orders.

Alderman Loutet was unable to be present also.

The Minutes of regular meeting of Council, held September 20th, 1926, copies of which had previously been supplied each member of Council, 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, Vancouver, being receipt for the registration of Bylaws 781, 782, 783 and 784 Lonsdale Avenue Sidewalk Initiative, 785 15th Street Sidewalk Initiative, 786 Esplanade Concrete Sidewalk Initiative, 787 and 788 19th and 13th Streets Sanitary Sewer Construction, 789 and 790 Land Sales. Filed.

From Fleck Bros. advising of an International Pacific Logging Congress and Machinery Show which is being held at the Northern Pacific Freight sheds in Vancouver, October 27th to 30th.

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

From James Ollason, C.M.C., West Vancouver, enclosing resolution as follows:

"Resolved that this Council is on record as being in favour of the Government classifying Mile One of Marine Drive as a Secondary Highway; that the Minister of Public Works be advised to this effect, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Councils of the District of North Vancouver and the City of North Vancouver with a view to obtaining their cooperation".

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above resolution be endorsed by this Council.

From the Corporation of Point Grey, requesting that the Councils of the lower mainland submit a plebiscite at the January elections on the following question:

"Are you in favour of a union of the City of Vancouver and all the Municipalities of the lower mainland, each Municipality retaining control of its own local problems, under conditions to be later approved by the Ratepayers of each?"

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From Mrs. E.W. McMillan, 233 – 4th Street East, drawing attention to the condition of the street in front of the above address; the water lies on the street in front of sidewalk almost all winter.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From the City Engineer, recommending that the Council consider the advisability of negotiating with the Harbour commissioners to have the proposed Moodyville Road location changed so as to follow the new Railway grade from St. Patrick's Avenue around through Moodyville instead of following the Park Street route, this would eliminate the hill and grade on St. David's Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that negotiations be entered into with the Harbour Board with the above end in view and that a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Chairman of Board of Works and Engineer (with power to add to their number) interview the Harbour Board.

From the Secretary, St. John's Church, stating that the wooden sidewalk on the north side of 8th Street from Lonsdale to St. John's Church has not yet been repaired.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above be referred to the Board of Works and Engineer to take up with the St. John's Church authorities and report back.

From the Secretary, Union Canadian Municipalities, advising that progress is being made by the Union in Bell Telephone, uniform traffic regulations, care of indigents, unemployment relief, uniform municipal accounting, coal from Alberta and Nova Scotia and other questions.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the above communication be acknowledged with thanks.

From Mr. McDiarmid, 333 – 15th Street East, advising that several owners in Block 52, D.L. 549 are desirous of having a lane opened and wished to know if the Council will authorize the opening of a lane on condition that the various owners give quit claim deed conveying 120 feet on the north and south side of their respective lots.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that his matter be referred to the Engineer for report as to cost.

From the City Engineer, dated October 2nd, reporting on the cost of construction and maintenance of standard lights on City residential and business streets. On residential streets the ornamental standards with lighting complete would be paid for by property fronting at an annual rate of about 20 cents per foot frontage for 10 years. The City should contribute 25% of maintenance including current to operate and property owners the balance.

On business streets the ornamental standards with lighting complete would be paid for by the property fronting and would cost approximately an annual rate of about 45 cents to 50 cents per foot frontage for 10 years. The City should contribute 50% of the cost of maintenance including current to operate and property owners the remaining 50%.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From Canadian Giant Ltd., applying for a three months permit to deliver powder in lots up to 1 ½ tons through the City, this being the basis on which they work in Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above request be granted and the Fire Chief authorized to issue necessary permit under the Fire Bylaw.

From G.A. McBain, offering to give the City a receipt in full for clearing boulevards and lane on property lying between 5th and 6th Streets on Lonsdale, for \$50.00, also in consideration of above agreeing to give a quiet claim to the lane portion lying north of Lot 32, Block 119 consideration \$1.00 providing lane is opening at once, above offer subject to acceptance on or before October 11th.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that Mr. G.A. McBain be advised that there is no precedent for paying for clearing boulevards by private owners and that the question of opening lane be referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report as to cost.

From Mrs. Beatrice Smith and 14 others, applying to have a lane opened in Block 108, D.L. 274.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From the City Treasurer, reporting passenger receipts due the Pacific Great Eastern Railway for the month of September \$438.80 requesting authorization to pay over same to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue cheque in the amount of \$438.80 payable to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

From the Fire Chief, being report of Fires with risks, insurance and losses. Total loss \$2,808.00.

Received and filed.

From the Fire Chief, reporting that the Fire and Light Committee recommend the installation of the following arc lights:

6th & Sutherland Avenue

13th and Ridgeway Avenue

I.O.O.F. Hall, Lower Keith Road East

13th and Keith Road West

Upper Keith and Lonsdale Avenue

28th and Chesterfield Avenue

Also boundary light at 29th and Tempe Crescent

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above report be received and adopted and lights authorized installed.

From Harron Bros. & Williamson, complaining of the condition of 6th Street west from Lonsdale to Undertaking Parlours, also requesting that the street be improved and boulevards cleared to give more space.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From E.B. Morgan, 22150 Eastern Avenue, applying to have road graded to his bungalow.

Referred to Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From the City Collector re Pacific Great Eastern Railway taxes. The City did not receive five cents more than the tax statement called for, the City actually receiving 50% less than was shown on the tax statement.

Filed.

Draft agreement was submitted between the District of North Vancouver and the Vancouver power Co. Ltd., with respect to street lighting. The above referred to agreement is for a period of 10 years from date.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Mayor be authorized to call a joint meeting of the two Councils at as early a date as possible and that the above referred to draft agreement be referred to the City Solicitor with a view to the Solicitors of the City and District preparing an agreement as between the City and District.

TENDERS

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Council express its willingness to accept offers to purchase tax sale property as per list sated October 4th, 12 lots in all and that necessary Bylaw be introduced.

Tenders were also received for construction of Grand Stand in new portion of Mahon Park, as follows:

A.E. Evans (deposit cheque enclosed)	\$2,200.00
C.A. Wilson (deposit cheque enclosed)	\$1,828.50
Aex Grant and W.C. Smith (deposit cheque enclosed)	\$1,898.00
G.G. Sinclair & A. Sutherland (deposit cheque enclosed)	\$2,360.00
N.Y. Cross (no deposit)	\$2,140.00
W.E. Dodson (no deposit)	\$2,953.00

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that no tender be entertained unless it complies with the requirements of the call for tenders and plans and specifications.

The above tenders were referred to the Engineer for tabulation and report later in the evening.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Police, Board of Works, Waterworks, Ferry, Fire and Light, Parks 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	\$2,430.00
School	\$11,709.15
Police	\$1,217.50
Board of Works	\$562.30

	<u>2185.99</u>	\$2,748.29
Waterworks	\$282.30	
	<u>235.73</u>	\$518.03
Ferry	\$8521.55	
	<u>318.57</u>	\$8,839.92
Fire & Light		\$1,520.00
Parks	\$237.30	
	<u>230.98</u>	\$468.28
Health	\$310.00	
	<u>128.00</u>	\$438.00

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

The Ferry Superintendent reported that one of the pontoons from the Vancouver side recently brought to the pontoon dock for cleaning and painting is very badly pitted, necessitating repairs by inserting new plates.

Prices have been procured from Burrard Dry Dock Company and Burrard Shipyard and Engineering Works Ltd. The price of the Burrard Dry Dock Company being \$675.00 and Burrard Shipyards and Engineering Works price being \$1,024.00. Recommend that the work be awarded to the Burrard Dry Dock Company.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent arrange to have the above work done by the Burrard Dry Dock Company, price \$675.00.

Communication was received from the City Engineer, reporting that the timbers and decking on the floating portion of the Vancouver dock requires replacing before the timber bridges are constructed in place, and recommending that the Council authorize the City Engineer to have this work carried out.

RECOMMEND that the above work be authorized under the direction of the City Engineer.

The Engineer reported that the work on the Vancouver dock should be completed by October 15th.

Communication was received from the North Vancouver Cartage Company with respect to horse drawn vehicles on the ferry.

RECOMMEND that this matter be referred to the Chairman and Superintendent for report.

The Clerk reported that the Solicitor had filed a release from Mr. R.H. Dodd in connection with the accident, he being paid \$50.00 and provided with a truss selected by the M.H.O.

RECOMMEND that the above action be endorsed.

The Clerk reported having received a telephone message from the Solicitor that the Georgia Construction Company had advised settlement of the Dufresne claim.

The City Collector submitted a tabulated statement of students tickets issued for various months during the year 1926.
RECOMMEND that the question of students tickets be referred to the Incoming Council.

The Treasurer submitted prices from Nicholson Limited and Southam Press Ltd., for supplying 1 million ten cent passenger tickets.

Nicholson Ltd. quote 21 cents per thousand plus 5% sales tax.

Southam Press quote 12 cents per thousand plus sales tax, delivered in Vancouver.

RECOMMEND the purchase from Southam Press Ltd., of one million ten cent passenger tickets at price of 12 cents per thousand, plus sales tax, delivered in Vancouver.

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

Communication was received from Wm. Donald with respect to payment on Lot 11/159/271, advising having paid the taxes for 1925-1926 and cleared and improved the property, also stating that he expects to make a substantial payment inside 90 days, provided he is granted an extension.
RECOMMEND that Mr. Wm. Donald be granted extension applied for.

RECOMMEND that the Collector procure local prices on forms for application to register in land registry office, 500 forms, and that the lowest price be accepted.

RECOMMEND that the Collector procure local prices on printing cheque forms and that the lowest local tender be accepted.

Re water rate Georgia Rooms.

RECOMMEND that the tariff \$1.00 per room apply. If not satisfactory that meter be installed.

RECOMMEND that the account of the Pacific Airways Ltd., \$150.00 for supplying oblique aerial views be paid.

RECOMMEND the refund to Mr. F. Hinds, 3207 St. David's Avenue \$10.00 water not having been connected to Lot 3/20/273.

RECOMMEND that report of the Relief Officer, relief distributed during the month of September be filed and accounts paid.

The Assessor submitted report re Lot 30/158/271. This lot has never been priced, adjoining lots are \$500.00, this being a corner lot he suggests a price of \$550.00.

RECOMMEND that Lot 30/158/271 be posted for sale – price \$550.00 and that offers be accepted in regular way.

The Clerk reported that Miss Jessup has given notice that she will be leaving at the end of the month and requesting instructions with reference to position.

RECOMMEND that the matter of employing stenographer in Assessor and Clerk's office be left to the Clerk for attention.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk be authorized to procure new Remington Typewriter in exchange for old machine, cost \$99.75 net.

Communication was received from A.T. Purser who purchased Lots 50 and 51, Block 28, D.L. 546 in April, leaving for the old country and not returning until September and now wishes to pay taxes net.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Purser be advised that the Council has no power to accept taxes net after expiration of penalty addition date.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk procure price for 5,000 or 10,000 forms re change of address.

RECOMMEND that \$1000. bond City of North Vancouver, 5 ½% due December 31st, 1930 at par and accrued interest, be purchased from B.C. Bond Corporation, sinking fund account.

RECOMMEND that the Collector be authorized to adjust net, taxes on Lots 14 and 15/B.1/547 J.T. Curry, original having been lost in the mails.

RECOMMEND that the Collector be authorized to adjust net, taxes on Lot 10, Block 4, D.L. 273.

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

Mr. John Dierssen of the Colonial Apartments interviewed the Committee, complaining of flood water and also one of his neighbours keeping goats. RECOMMEND that the complaint of Mr. Dierssen with reference to flood water be referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report and that the complaint with respect to neighbour's goats be referred to the Sanitary Inspector for report.

RECOMMEND that the application of Crawford MacLeod to have the sidewalk extended 170 feet on the north side of 6th Street to his new house number 236 be granted at an estimated cost of \$85.00.

RECOMMEND that John L. Steele of 752 – 7th Street East, be notified that if he wishes to improve the boulevard in front of his property, the City will remove the boulders taken out during the progress of the work.

RECOMMEND that the application of H.F. Caruth of 725 – 15th Street East, to have the brush cut on the street in the vicinity of his house be granted.

RECOMMEND that Mr. A.R. Harvey be notified that moody Avenue between 19th and 21st Streets will be repaired during the fall or winter months, if it gets in bad condition.

RECOMMEND that the application of Robert W. Reid and others to have the lane between 22nd and 23rd Streets west of Lonsdale cleared and graded be granted as far as Chesterfield Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$150.00.

RECOMMEND that the application of Frederick Kincaid of 617 – 23rd Street West to have 23rd Street roadway cleared and graded for a distance of 80 feet be granted at an estimated cost of \$20.00.

RECOMMEND that the application of A.M. Martin of 323 – 24th Street East, and others, to have the roadway gravelled and ditches cleaned out, be granted.

RECOMMEND that the application of George Trafton of 123 – 26th Street East to have foot-bridge repaired be granted by reconstructing the wooden walk on the south side of 26th Street from Lonsdale Avenue to the tennis grounds, a distance of 400 feet, at an estimated cost of \$200.00.

RECOMMEND that the application of W. Gray to have three-plank sidewalk extended 150 feet on the north side of 26th Street East to his new house, be granted at an estimated cost of \$45.00.

RECOMMEND that the application of R.W.H. Lloyd for sidewalk accommodation to 223 – 26th Street West be granted by putting a three-plank crossing over the ditches to connect with the wooden sidewalk on the north side, also that a similar crossing be put in opposite the adjoining house.

RECOMMEND that the application of H.C. Trafton of 242 – 28th Street West and others for a sidewalk on the south side of 28th Street from Chesterfield 300 feet west, be granted at a cost of \$120.00 and from this walk be connected across 28th Street to the existing walk on the north side.

The Clerk reported having received letter from the General Administration Society that claim of Miss Bessie Frame had been settled for \$10.00, this was with reference to an alleged accident on 19th Street East.

Communication was submitted by the Engineer from Mr. R. Hope that he is unable to dedicate 10 feet for lane allowance off Lot 24/34/550 he not having yet secured clear title.

RECOMMEND that this matter again be taken up with Mr. Hope and upon his assurance that when he secures title he will dedicate ten feet allowance, that the Engineer be authorized to open lane.

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

Mr. Dalton and Mr. Johnston interviewed the Committee on behalf of the Cricket Club. They thanked the Council and Parks Committee for courtesy extended in the past and applying to have 150 feet square on the Boulevard Park improved for cricket by filling in the holes, seeding down and rolling as frequently as possible, also requesting the use of the new Mahon Park for cricket next year.

RECOMMEND that the above matters be left to the Chairman of Parks and Engineer.

Alderman Cartwright on behalf of the Water Committee, reported that the Council had visited the Intake on Wednesday, September 29th, that the dam and intake are a credit to the City and worth seeing. The Council also visited Rice Lake.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Chairman of the Water Committee and Engineer submit a written report and recommendation with respect to improving Rice Lake with a view to submitting a Bylaw at the January Elections and that the appreciation of the Council be forwarded to Mr. Kirkland, Caretaker at the Intake, for the condition of the Intake grounds.

Alderman Townsley reported that accompanied by the Mayor he had interviewed the Local Manager of the B.C. Electric Railway Company, Mr. Perry, with a view to having the street cars connect with the early ferries on Sundays and Holidays.

Mr. Perry had convinced them that financially the Company was not in a position to comply with the above request owing to the few passengers patronizing the early morning street cars.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the above report be minuted and filed.

The Engineer reported in connection with tenders for construction of grand stand at new Mahon Park, that the tender of Mr. C.A. Wilson price \$1,828.50 is the lowest and in order.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above report be minuted and filed.

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Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the sum of \$1,000. be added to the estimates of the Parks Committee.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the lowest tender for the construction of grand stand at new Mahon Park viz, that of C.A. Wilson at the price of \$1,828.50 be accepted.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the deposit cheques of the unsuccessful tenderers be returned.

At 9:20 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that this meeting of Council adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor