

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 1927 AT 8:00 P.M.**

Present: His Worship Mayor Mordent  
Alderman Anderson  
Alderman Bridgman  
Alderman Cartwright  
Alderman Irwin  
Alderman Tinsley  
Alderman White

Moved by Alderman Tinsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Minutes of regular meeting of Council held November 8<sup>th</sup>, 1927, copies of which had previously been supplied each member of Council, be taken as read and adopted.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Minute at the bottom of Page 78 of the Council Minute Book with reference to lying on the table motion re dispensing with the services of Mr. Lane as Treasurer be and is hereby rescinded.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson that the resolution moved by Alderman Tinsley and seconded by Alderman Irwin being paragraph one page 79 of the Council Minute book be reconsidered.

Voting for: Aldermen Bridgman, Cartwright, White & Anderson.

Against: Aldermen Irwin and Townsley.

The motion was declared carried.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the resolution as contained in paragraph one Page 79 of the Council Minute Book be amended to read:

“Resolved that this Council express its absolute confidence in the integrity of Mr. Lane in the matter of the Tax sale”.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Greater Vancouver Industrial Bureau, advising that this Bureau is now completely organized and are offering freely, services to all who wish to engage in productive industry.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above communication be referred to the Publicity Committee.

From Mr. Squarebriggs, 412 Dominion Building, wishing to purchase timber on D.L. 620 – Cemetery property.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From J. Abraham, Lynn Creek, requesting that they be given six months from March 1928 in which to remove the vacated buildings at Cedars Limited mill site at Lynn Creek.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above request be granted and that the Provincial Board of Health be notified accordingly.

From the Secretary, B.P.O.E. No. 43, requesting a grant for this year for Christmas Cheer fund and also requesting that two members of Council be appointed to cooperate with them on the general Committee.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City of Kamloops, enclosing resolution endorsing the principle of Province wide health insurance.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Auditor, suggesting that the Council appoint a Committee to look over rough drafts of proposed new water ledger so that the system may become operative the first of 1928.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above suggestion of the Auditor be referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

From the City Engineer, enclosing plan of proposed installation of an 8 inch watermain on McKay Road south of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway tracks by the Capilano Timber Company. The Engineer approved of the location and recommended that authority be given for the installation.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Engineer be received and adopted.

From R.B. Seely, 503 – 9<sup>th</sup> Street East, applying for a sidewalk.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From A.S. Williamson, requesting permission to make a free demonstration of the merits of Colfix a new road surfacing material, stating that this product is going to be manufactured in our City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Board of Works and Engineer with power to act and that Mr. Williamson be thanked for his kind offer.

From the Police Commissioners, enclosing report of street lights not burning for the month of October there being a total of 45 lights out during the month.

Referred to the Fire and Light Committee for report.

From the City Engineer, enclosing copy of a letter written by him to Mr. Robert Wilson, Executive Assistant of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway re Chesterfield street end, also

a letter from Mr. Robert Wilson of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to the Council applying for a lease of the Chesterfield wharf along the same lines held by them previously.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above matter be referred to the Board of Works, Engineer and Solicitor as a Committee to draft proposed lease and submit to Council.

From the B.C. Motor Transportation Ltd., with respect to tariff on the ferries, stating that they have a large stock of 75 cent tickets on hand and requesting that the Council reconsider a letter of November 11<sup>th</sup> and allow them to continue at a 75 cent rate.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, enclosing copy of a letter received from Mr. Perry, Local Manager, British Columbia Electric Railway Company re dangerous pole at corner 2<sup>nd</sup> and St. David's.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that a copy of the above letter be forwarded to the local manager of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company.

From the Police Commissioners, suggesting that a placard or notice be placed on the gates of Confederation Park to the following effect "No playing in this park except by permission of the Council" and that the regulation be enforced.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Police Department be requested to take in the Confederation Park on their regular patrol on Sundays.

From the City Engineer, advising that the concrete pavement on the low level road was finished on Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> and will be ready for traffic on November 24<sup>th</sup>, recommending that the Harbour Commissioners be notified that on and after November 24<sup>th</sup>, it will be in order for them to put their shovel and trucks at work to complete the slopes according to agreement.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Engineer be received and adopted and the Harbour Commissioners notified.

From the City Engineer, reporting that the Low Level Road paving contract has been satisfactorily completed and recommending that the Bond Company be released from their bond.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above report and recommendation of the Engineer be adopted and the Bond Company released.

From the V.O.N. applying for additional assistance for the current year.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From Mary Stewart, 5<sup>th</sup> Street East, applying for improvement to the lane at the rear of 248 – 5<sup>th</sup> Street East.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From R.L. Williams, Grand Boulevard, stating that the water from the ditch is overflowing his property.

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

From Thos. Garrow, requesting that the bullhead which is caving in, fronting on Lot 6/134/271 be removed and graded to conform with adjoining property.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From H.C. Caruth, applying for a lane to give access to 725 – 15<sup>th</sup> Street East.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From the Fire Chief, being report for the month of October, of fires with risks, insurance and losses.

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

From A. Wood, 2426 Georgia Street East, Vancouver, addressed to the Council, stating that on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1927, he had forwarded a Postal order for his 1927 taxes re Estate J. Sarsfield for which Estate he is acting agent, up to date he had not received a tax receipt.

Referred to the Finance Committee for report.

From the Secretary, Ratepayers Association, stating that Messrs. MacLachlan, E. Stewart and J.R. Shannon will attend meeting of Council on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> re tax sale inquiry.

Filed.

From Mrs. Eckford, regretting the action taken by the Council with respect to the City Collector and trusting that they will see their way clear to reinstate him in his office.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that this and any other correspondence with respect to tax sale inquiry be attached to petitions and read at the meeting tonight.

From F.H. Wright, Vice-President, Yorkshire and Pacific Securities Ltd., paying a tribute to the ability of Mr. Lane as Collector.

Referred to correspondence to be taken up later.

The proposed draft agreement between the City and the Harbour Commissioners re tunnel, was referred to Committee of the Whole.

Re appointment of representatives to cooperate with representatives from the Councils of North and West Vancouver, it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Mayor and Alderman Cartwright be appointed from this Council to cooperate with a similar Committee from the other Councils and the Hospital management with a view to submitting a Bylaw at the coming election, for a new Hospital, and report back.

Draft subsidiary agreement between the City and District with respect to street lighting, was submitted with clause 5 deleted as recommended at the joint meeting of Councils.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above draft subsidiary agreement between the City and District be approved, the Mayor authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City and the Clerk to attach the Corporate Seal thereto.

From the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, enclosing copies of Consolidate Railway and Light Company's Act 1894 Chapter 56, also Consolidate Railway Company's act 1896 Chapter 55.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that copies of the above referred to Acts be referred to the Solicitor for consideration.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees again applying for a sidewalk on the north side of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street from Lonsdale to the High School.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From R.B. Seely, complaining of the condition of the ditch in front of his residence 503 – 9<sup>th</sup> Street East.

Referred to the Board of Works and Engineer for report.

From Bayfield & Harvey, stating that Mr. Lane is applying to the Municipal Inspector for a public investigation pursuant to the Municipal Act and presuming that the Council has no objection to this course.

Laid on the table to be taken up later in the evening.

From the B.C. Bond Dealers Association, in support of the Integrity and sterling character of Mr. Lane, City Treasurer.

Laid on the table to be taken up later in the evening.

From W.C. Lamberton, requesting that the provisions of the Early Closing Bylaw be temporarily suspended from December 12<sup>th</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> to permit any storekeeper who desires to remain open until 9 o'clock during the three weeks covered by the above dates, to do so.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above be referred to the Finance Committee and Solicitor with power to act if the Council has a right to do so.

From W.C. Lamberton, advising that the Merchants occupying premises between the Ferry wharf and 1<sup>st</sup> and between 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Streets, request permission to string cedar roping and coloured electric lights between the Light standards from December 12<sup>th</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the above application be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Petitions for the reinstatement of Mr. Lane as Collector were received and referred to the meeting to be held in the K.P. Hall tonight.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the account amounting to \$350.00 to the District of North Vancouver for services of Fire Department August 1927, be reduced to \$175.00.

The clerk reported that the Foresters had kindly agreed to exchange meeting rooms with the Council in order that the public might be admitted to the meeting to hear the discussion re tax sale.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Foresters be thanked for their kind consideration in exchanging meeting rooms with this Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that this Council adjourn to reconvene in the L.K.P. Hall in order that the Ratepayers and residents may hear the discussion re Mr. Lane and tax sale inquiry.

The Council reconvened in the K.P. Hall at 9 p.m. all members of Council being present.

Alderman Bridgman drew attention to an item in the "North Shore Press" in which an Alderman had made statements with reference to the action of another Alderman.

Alderman Irwin stated that he was glad of an opportunity of withdrawing remarks made by him at a recent ratepayers meeting he had been hasty and expressed regret at having made any remarks at said meeting reflecting on Alderman Bridgman.

Alderman Bridgman stated that Alderman Irwin's retraction was acceptable to him.

Alderman Bridgman read a communication dated November 21<sup>st</sup> with further reference to the tax sale transaction as follows:

With further reference to the Tax Sale transaction I find, on talking the matter over with Mr. Lane, that there was at last Council meeting a misunderstanding which I think should be cleared up. Alderman Irwin, in his defence of Mr. Lane and himself, stated in effect that Mr. Lane knew the details of the title at the time of the sale. I checked him on this and he repeated his statement, Mr. Lane not denying it, I then said if Mr. Lane did know this his actions were all the more reprehensible. Mr. Lane tells me he did not interpret Alderman Irwin's remarks in this way, as he certainly did not know

the details of the Lowrie title, or about the mortgage until after the sale. This I believe to be true.

There is another important angle of the transaction which must not be overlooked. That is when Alderman Irwin refused to pay Mr. Lane the \$550 on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> October, there was no reason why he should not have held over reselling the lot until after he had consulted with this council, who were holding their regular meeting that night, as the sale was subject to adjournment – in fact it adjourned until Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> and then to Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> October, before it was actually closed.

Since our last Council meeting there have been two matters drawing to my attention which I took up personally with Mr. Lane. The first was that Alderman Townsley was \$50 in arrears with his water rates, having paid only \$10 on account in December 1925, covering a period of five years commencing 1<sup>st</sup> January 1923. The \$50 was paid the day following the last Council meeting, namely 9<sup>th</sup> November 1927. Under the City bylaws when any one is in arrears with water rates, a registered notice is to be sent them notifying them that if said arrears are not paid within ten days, water will be shut off. Mr. Lane's usual custom is, in cases of distress, to draw the matter to the attention of the Council, and, if serious enough, the City relief account is charged and water roll credited. No interest on arrears is charged, the only loss to the City being the interest paid to the Bank for overdraft from time to time, which would be lessened if all arrears were collected.

The second matter I took up with Mr. Lane on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> instant, the day after I heard about it. This was the position of the Palace Hotel License. I found that the Palace had not paid any license fee for either the first or second half yearly periods of 1927. The amount owing is about \$85.00. At the last Council meeting we authorize the payment of the account of the Palace Hotel amounting to \$212.50. This amount was paid to them but should not have been when the Hotel had not paid any license fee for 1927.

Without unduly stressing these two transactions, I must point out that it further serves to shake my confidence in the actions of the Treasurer.

I know there are many people in the City who have been told that my present action is the outcome of personal ill-feeling of many years standing. Whoever is responsible for statements of this nature I unhesitatingly brand as malicious and untruthful. Undoubtedly there have been occasions when in my official capacity I have differed with Mr. Lane and severely criticized him, but these criticisms were made to his face at Council meetings, Committee meetings and in his own office. As a matter of fact the position is the reverse. I have supported Mr. Lane by granting extra help whenever necessary, backed him up in 1925 when some of the Council and the Ratepayers Association were not satisfied with the work of his Department at that time; have always granted extra sick or special leave for himself or staff, and supported salary increases in his department where warranted, which in his case went from \$190 per month in 1923 to \$240 per month from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1927.

With respect to the Petition being circulated on his behalf there can be no exception taken. At the same time I do think those responsible for its circulation should have been fair in their presentation of the case. From what I have heard some of the statements made by them in seeking signatures have been, to say the least, unfounded and extravagant.

I submit that throughout this whole unfortunate occurrence I have refrained from personalities, confining myself to facts. It appears to me that Alderman Irwin has tried to get away from the true position of affairs by attempting to divert the issue to one of implied persecution on my part. This position I refuse to accept and after going over the whole matter again and again I cannot see my way clear to change my opinion. \

I therefore move, while recording our belief in Mr. Lane's financial integrity, in the interests of the City he must be given the requisite notice dispensing with his services as Treasurer and Trades License Inspector.

(Signed) E.H. Bridgman,  
Chairman, Finance Committee."

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White that while recording our belief in Mr. Lane's financial integrity, in the interests of the City he must be given the requisite notice dispensing with his services as Treasurer and Trades License inspector.

An amendment was offered.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley that this Council request the Provincial Inspector of Municipalities to conduct a thorough inquiry as soon as possible, regarding the annual tax sale which was held in the City of North Vancouver, commencing September 30<sup>th</sup>, 1927, particularly in respect to the sale of Lot 19/227A/545 and after holding such inquiry and ascertaining all of the essential facts in connection therewith, advise this Council as to his findings and recommendations in the matter, and that the motion submitted by Alderman Bridgman and Alderman White 2with respect to giving Mr. Lane notice be tabled in the meantime.

Alderman Irwin also submitted Statutory declaration in connection with tax sale proceedings relative to Lot 19/227A/545.

Alderman Irwin also stated that he did not take any part in circulating a petition for the reinstatement of Mr. Lane.

A large petition was submitted and read signed by taxpayers and residents, petitioning the Council to rescind the resolution passed at the meeting on November 8<sup>th</sup> for the dismissal of Mr. Lane as Tax Collector.

Letters from Mrs. Eckford, Bayfield & Harvey, B.C. Bond Dealers Association were also read.

Mr. Lane addressed the meeting in support of his position.

Dr. Martin addressed the meeting.

Aldermen Bridgman, Cartwright, White, Anderson, Irwin and Townsley also addressed the meeting expressing their views and in support of the stand being taken by them.

A vote was taken.

For the Amendment: Aldermen Irwin, Townsley.

Against Amendment: Aldermen Bridgman, Cartwright, White, Anderson.



The amendment was declared lost.  
For the motion: Aldermen Bridgman, Cartwright, White, Anderson.  
Against motion: Aldermen Irwin and Townsley.

Before declaring the motion carried, the Mayor stated that the Chair is of opinion that the technical mistake of Mr. Lane as Collector has no relation to his position as Treasurer unless the mis-step as shown to reflect upon the Collector's honesty or integrity, but that the Council had passed a resolution expressing confidence in the integrity of the Collector.

The motion was declared carried.

Alderman Irwin and Alderman White submitted a motion with reference to the action of Mr. Irwin but by consent the motion was withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that this Council record its condemnation of the actions of any of its members unduly influencing any of the staff who by the very nature of their official position should be protected and kept above suspicion.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Finance Committee be empowered to engage such additional help as may be necessary to bring the City's accounts up-to-date as soon as possible.

At 11:55 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that this Council adjourn, to reconvene in tacitly Hall forthwith to finish the business.

At 12 midnight, the Council reconvened in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

Tenders were received as follows:

Printing 300 copies Voters' List.

North Shore Press Ltd.	\$1.19 per page
Shoemaker, McLean and Veitch Ltd.	\$0.95 per page

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the lowest tender for printing 300 Voters' List for the year 1928, viz., that of Shoemaker, McLean and Veitch Ltd., be accepted price 95 cents per page.

Tenders were received also for heating and plumbing work at the ferry as follows:

W.A. Brown Ltd.	\$710.00	\$1,072.00
Weeks	\$538.50	\$905.00
G.H. Legros	\$690.00	\$1,015.00
Murray Bros.	\$565.00	\$879.00

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the above tenders be received and referred to the Ferry Committee with power to act, the

Architect and Ferry Superintendent to tabulate and report to the Ferry Committee at a meeting Wednesday morning.

The Engineer submitted plan of proposed subdivision of Parcel A, Block 50, D.L. 549, approving of same.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above report of the Engineer be received and adopted and plan approved.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Police, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Ferry, 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	\$223.86	
	<u>1557.81</u>	\$1,781.67
School		\$1,203.65
Police		\$175.80
Board of Works	\$21430.99	
	1584.46	
	<u>3269.08</u>	\$26,284.53
Waterworks	\$293.72	
	<u>663.81</u>	\$957.53
Fire & Light		\$3,136.42
Ferry	\$663.84	
	<u>6100.85</u>	\$6,764.69
Parks	\$251.68	
	<u>130.76</u>	\$382.44
Health	\$127.39	
	<u>648.57</u>	\$775.96

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

The Superintendent suggested the fitting up of a parcel check room adjoining the turnstile for the accommodation of passengers the Manager of the Candy Store would be willing to handle this business on his own account.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Committee look further into the matter of the above suggestion with a view to securing further information, particularly as to liability in case of loss.

The Superintendent submitted report on analysis of coal supplied under the present contract. The average B.T.U.'s for 7 scow loads show to be 12,436 contract calls for 13,000 B.T.U.'s with a spread allowance of 2% on working out the calculation per clause 3 in contract, the City is entitled to claim 56 tons of coal. The Superintendent also submitted comparative costs per trip taking the month of October as a basis of time.

Oct. 1924 cost of coal per trip	92 ½ cents
Oct. 1925 cost of coal per trip	86 1/3 cents
Oct. 1926 cost of coal per trip	75 cents
Oct. 1927 cost of coal per trip	68 cents
From May 29, 127 to Nov. 17, 1927 – 173 days cost per ton \$4.90, total tons 2,382.24	Total cost \$11,672.97
For the year 1926 May 30, 1926 to Nov. 13, 1926 168 days, cost per ton \$4.95, total tons supplied 2,431.63 less 36.25 claim for shortage, net 2,395.34	Total cost \$12,036.54 less \$179.64 for shortage equal \$11,856.90.

RECOMMEND that the above report be received and recorded.

RECOMMEND that appreciation be expressed at the reduction in the cost of fuel and that the Coal Company be advised of the shortage.

RECOMMEND that the account of Mr. Southin for electrical advice with respect to proposed improvement to lighting on North Vancouver wharf, amounting to \$120.00 be paid.

RECOMMEND that the Incoming Council take up proposed installation of lighting improvement on the North Vancouver wharf.

Communication was received from W.C. Lamberton on behalf of the Retail Merchants, suggesting the possibility of the Ferry Committee decorating the sidewalks and the Ferry gates from the end of Lonsdale to the Ferry wharf (from the Sugar Bowl on the west side to the Ferry wharf and from the end of the sidewalk covering the Wallace Shipyard portion to the Ferry wharf on the East side), also the gates, estimated cost being 26 cents per front foot.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Committee have power to act in above matter.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the following report of the Fire and Light Committee be adopted:

Communication was submitted by Mrs. Nosworthy of 446 – 21<sup>st</sup> Street West, with respect to amount that the British Columbia Electric Railway Company would charge to supply electric light service to her residence. Total cost \$235.00 less \$50.00 paid by the Company, leaving balance \$185.00 to be paid by party making application.

RECOMMEND that the above be referred to the Fire and Light Committee to look over the location, and that Mrs. Nosworthy be advised accordingly.

RECOMMEND that the Committee look over the application of Mr. Emeric for a street light on Marine Drive west of Bewicke Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the Fire and Light Committee have power to act after inspecting the above locations, also the necessity for a light at 23<sup>rd</sup> and Mahon.

Re maintenance of ornamental lighting.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer and Chief of the Fire Department make recommendation for next meeting with reference to the care of ornamental lighting.

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

RECOMMEND the purchase from Royal Financial Corporation of the following offers, dated November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1927:

£1000 City of North Vancouver, 4 ½% 1961 at 91.87 yield 5%.

£200 City of North Vancouver 5% 1963 at 100 yield 5%.

£300 City of North Vancouver 4 ½% Sept. 1/1931 98.21 yield 5%.

£550 City of North Vancouver 5% July 1, 1953 at 100 yield 5%.

\$2,500 City of North Vancouver 5 ½% Dec. 31, 1930 101.38 yield 5%.

RECOMMEND the purchase from R.P. Clark & Co. Ltd., of \$3,000.00 City of North Vancouver, 5 ½% due December 31, 1920 at 101.59 to yield 5%.

The collector submitted communication from the Defence Department with reference to alleged lost cheque in payment of water account due for the Drill Hall, the Department suggesting the completion of an indemnity bond by the City before furnishing duplicate cheque.

RECOMMEND that Indemnity Bond be completed by the Solicitor and the seal authorized affixed to said bond.

The License Inspector submitted a letter from A.G. Morrison stating that for some time he has been selling from house to house in North Vancouver, this being his only means of support, he being 76 years of age and unable to take out a Trades license. Formerly resided in North Vancouver but was compelled to move to Vancouver.

RECOMMEND that license to date be remitted, but if he continues soliciting in North Vancouver City he must pay a license in future.

Re delivery of grain from Brewery.

RECOMMEND that this matter be referred to the Solicitor for attention.

Re License fee British Columbia Electric Railway Company.

RECOMMEND that this matter be left in the hands of the Solicitor and License Inspector and that the Council stand on the schedule of the Trades License Bylaw.

Circular letter was received from the Building Manager and Custodian of vaults in the Board of Trade Building, advising that the building has been sold to General F.A. Sutton who has assumed all obligations of the contract made between this City and the Vancouver Safety deposit vaults.

RECOMMEND that the above communication be filed for reference.

Communication was received from the Police Commissioners through Chief of Police, with respect to additional accommodation in the basement for the Police car and motor cycles.

RECOMMEND that the City Engineer and Building Inspector cooperate with the Chief of Police in providing additional accommodation in the basement for the Police car and motor cycles and altering the storage space for storage rooms.

The Relief Officer reported re James Blackman, age 28 residing at 443 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West, returned soldier, the Doctor prescribes absolute rest in Hospital, behind in their rent 2 months.

RECOMMEND that application be made to the Vancouver General Hospital for admittance of Mr. Ames Blackman and that every effort be made under the Mothers Pension act for assistance.

RECOMMEND the payment of relief in the matter of rent and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay two months arrears at \$15.00 per month.

The Relief Officer reported that two City pensioners have now obtained the old age pension and suggesting that City relief be cancelled unless absolutely necessary.

RECOMMEND that the above recommendation of the Relief Officer be approved.

Communication was received from Jos. Carlson re Lot 15/33B/549.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Carlson be advised of the tax sale list price and that the Council is precluded from selling other than as required by the Act.

Alderman Bridgman inquired as to progress re subway.

Mayor Morden reported that the Commissioners have not yet finally completed arrangements with the Pacific Great Eastern Railway re connections. In any case the Commissioners intend calling for tenders for the subway before the end of this month.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that a letter be forwarded thanking the Harrisburg Commissioners for the information that they intend calling for tenders before the end of this month.

Alderman Irwin inquired whether he could get a copy of proposed motion of Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White.

Alderman Bridgman stated that the proposed motion had been withdrawn.

Re Agreement with respect to tunnel.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that proposed draft agreement be laid on table until next meeting and that a clause be inserted protecting the British Columbia Electric Railway Company's track on Lonsdale.

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

Alderman Anderson was appointed Chairman.

### IN COMMITTEE

### IN COUNCIL

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

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that bids be invited for supplying securities to the City on sinking fund account, up to \$60,000.00, same to be received at next meeting.

Mayor Morden reported having attended with a deputation at Victoria, on the Provincial Government with respect to a proposal outlined by Messrs. Alex Philip, Mahon & Co. Ltd... In the proposal the idea is to furnish Thirty-five Million Dollars capital to be expended for the completion of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway into the Peace River from Burrard Inlet, the Company would assume Twenty Million Dollars of bonds guaranteed by the Provincial government and that the Government be given Thirty-two Million ordinary shares for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, the Alberta Government be given Thirty Million ordinary shares of the E.D. and B.C. Railway. It was also proposed that the Federal Government contribute a bonus of Ten Million Dollars to be expended by the new Company for land settlement purposes.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the above report of the Mayor be minuted and his expenses as a delegate to Victoria authorized paid.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw "entitled "The City of North Vancouver Interim Zoning Bylaw 1927" be now read a third time.

Whereupon the bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council subject to reconsideration.

At 12:40 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the meeting adjourn.

Whereupon the meeting adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor