

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 1927 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Morden
Alderman Anderson
Alderman Bridgman
Alderman Cartwright
Alderman Irwin
Alderman Townsley
Alderman White

The Minutes of meeting held December 5th, 1927, copies of which had previously been supplied each of the Council were taken as read and on motion of Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Irwin, adopted.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the regular order of business be suspended and that any depositions present, be heard.

Whereupon Mr. Long, Solicitor for W.J. Clark, addressed the Council with reference to refuse burner.

Mr. Thomas, Fire Marshall, also addressed the Council reporting that he with the Fire Chief had inspected the burner at the Horne Bros. Mill on the 19th instant, and that he considers the Horne Bros. Burner a very dangerous hazard. He considers that the late attempt to improve the burner to be a pure waste of money.

The Solicitor for Horne Bros. also addressed the Council.

Mr. Gray, City Solicitor, reported that if the Council wish, he will enter a prosecution against Horne Bros. upon the evidence of the Fire Marshall and Fire Chief.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Solicitor be authorized to enter prosecution against Horne Bros. with respect to nuisance from burner.

A deputation from the High School Parent Teachers Association and the School Board was present and the following addressed the Council:

Mr. McDougall, Mr. Perry, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. J.V. McLeod and Mrs. Rae.

Mr. McDougall submitted the following resolution passed by the High School Parent Teacher Association:

“Whereas the North Vancouver High School pupils have no playgrounds, and Whereas the present recreation grounds of the City are taxed to capacity;

Be it resolved that the High School Parent Teachers Association urge the North Vancouver City Council to take the necessary steps to set aside the land between 23rd and 25th streets, from Lonsdale Avenue to St. George’s Avenue as a public playground and to begin developing the same as soon as possible”.

Moved by Alderman Irwin, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above matter be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration.

The regular order of business was then proceeded with.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Fire Chief, being report of fires with risks, insurance and losses for the month of November. 9 alarms, total loss \$757.50.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing copy of letter received from John G. Alexander of Issaquah, Washington with respect to Trades Licenses, Dundarave Block.

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

From C.H. Proske, dated December 11th, making an appeal on behalf of Mrs. Neydli.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that Mr. Proske be notified that the City has given humane and courteous consideration to the case of Mrs. Neydli and every possible assistance has been given her.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing certified copy of the Executive Council, dated November 9th with respect to closing portions of St. Patrick's Avenue, Crescent Street, St. David's Avenue, Gladstone Avenue and Brooksbank Avenue, abandoning same as public highways and applying to have the title thereof vested in the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners.

Filed.

From the District of North Vancouver, requesting the City's approval of the installation of a street light at 29th and St. Kilda on a boundary basis.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the City approve of the installation of a street light at the corner of St. Kilda and 29th Street on a boundary light basis.

From the Children's Aid Society, Vancouver, applying for a grant towards Christmas Cheer.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue cheque in the amount of \$10.00 as grant to Children's Aid Society, Vancouver.

From R.L. Collis, dated December 2nd with respect to assessment and the Certificate or declaration of the Assessor on the completion of the Assessment Roll.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Secretary, Board of Trade, enclosing copy of letter from A.G. Perry, Local Manager, British Columbia Electric Railway Company, with respect to proposed domestic gas agreement, also communication from Mr. Perry, dated December 19th with respect to the same matter.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Solicitor, with respect to exemption from taxation on the Salvation Army building on 2nd Street West.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the authorities of the Salvation Army be advised that that portion of the lot on which the building is erected will be except from taxation, and that a statutory declaration be requested that no rental is charged or paid by parties occupying the upper portion of the building.

From the City Solicitor, dated December 9th, with respect to lease and title to the City Hall site.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, dated December 19th with respect to Block 25, D.L. 547, also letter from the City Solicitor enclosing two alternative draft Bylaws with respect to Block 25, D.L. 547.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above communications and draft Bylaws be referred to the 1928 Council.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees with respect to Block 216, D.L. 546 dated December 19th, advising that a communication from this Council dated December 8th, with respect to cooperative scheme for the improvement to the high school grounds and Block 216 has been laid on the table by the School Board for further consideration.

Filed.

From the Secretary, Board of School Trustees, requesting that the Council set a date by formal resolution, when a detailed estimate of monies required to meet extraordinary expenses may be laid before the Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that December 27th be set as a date to receive a detailed estimate of monies required by the School Board to meet extraordinary expenses.

From the City Engineer, dated December 14th, reporting on permanent employees in the outside group as follows:

Board of Works: J. McCready, Foreman
 J.H. Younghusband, Blacksmith
 T. Hunter, Teamster

Waterworks: J. Kirkland
 A. Maclagan

Parks & Cemetery: A.C. Gladwin

Health: A. Harvey

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Engineer, reporting on the proposed construction of a 6" sanitary sewer on the north side of Keith Road from Forbes Avenue to Jones Avenue by way of local improvement, 710 feet total cost \$1,090.00, owners portion \$1,019.00 City's portion for street and lane intersections \$71.00. Estimated special annual rate per foot frontage 13 cents, payable in 20 annual instalments.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the above report of the Engineer be received and adopted and the work undertaken as a local improvement under the provisions of the Local Improvement Act.

From the President, Union of B.C. Municipalities, dated December 9th with respect to teachers pensions.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

From W. Brand Young, dated December 19th, enclosing three copies of the Zoning map which forms part of the Interim Zoning Bylaw, also stating that the Commissioners have a Vandyke of the map and additional copies can be secured if required.

Referred to Bylaw stage.]

The Solicitor submitted draft agreement between the City and District with respect to the City acquiring one-half interest in the Hopsit5al and submitting a Bylaw at the annual election for the sum of \$97,200.00.

The Clerk was instructed to make copies of above draft agreement and forward to each member of Council.

Alderman White inquired from the Relief Officer, through the Chair, how many cases of Relief at the present time.

The Relief Officer reported approximately 40 cases.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the sum of \$400.00 be set aside at the disposal of the Board of Works for Relief work, clearing land, etc.

Tenders were received for supplying 1000 feet of wood pipe from Canadian wood Pipe and Tanks Ltd., also from Paine Hardware Ltd.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the tender of Paine Hardware Ltd. for supplying 1000 ft. 6" woodwire bound pipe with double steel couplings, 100 feet head, delivered at the price of \$2,420.00 be and is hereby accepted, their tender being the lowest, and that the deposit cheque of the unsuccessful tenderer be returned.

The Clerk reported 28 applications for the position of Collector and Treasurer and the names of the applicants were read.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the above applications be referred to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

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		\$1,926.46
School		\$862.95
Police		\$710.96
Ferry	\$2558.19	
	<u>2973.77</u>	\$5,531.96
Board of Works	\$1440.39	
	<u>14647.54</u>	\$16,087.93
Waterworks	\$389.63	
	<u>525.33</u>	\$914.96
Fire & Light		\$173.83
Parks	\$57.58	
	<u>53.91</u>	\$111.49
Health	\$410.49	
	458.74	
	<u>119.25</u>	\$988.48

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

Re Rankin & Cherrill whose affairs are in the hands of the Credit Men's Trust Association.

The Solicitor submitted communication from the Credit Men's Trust Association and recommended that the offer of 50 cents on the dollar be accepted and form of release executed, amount being \$3.50.

RECOMMEND that the recommendation of the City Solicitor be adopted and form of release executed on behalf of the City amount of claim \$3.50, the offer being to pay 50 cents on the dollar on above.

Re conveyance of mails on Christmas and New Year's mornings.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent make necessary arrangements of conveyance of mail between Vancouver and North Vancouver on December 26th and January 2nd as has been the practise in former years.

The Superintendent submitted Mate Marshall's report dated December 18th that at 6:15 p.m. on De mber 17th an Indian very drunk in trying to walk on to the ferry at the Vancouver dock, missed the apron, falling between the boat and the dock. Seaman Wilks with the aid of a flashlight borrowed from the owner of a car, went down a rope and succeeded in bringing up the Indian. The flashlight was accidentally dropped in the water and lost. The Mate commended very highly the action of Wilks for his promptness and cool-headedness.

RECOMMEND that a flashlight be furnished the owner of the car in place of the one lost and that he be thanked for the loan of the flashlight and that a letter of commendation be forwarded to Seaman Wilks.

RECOMMEND that arrangements be made to allow passengers to go through the Freight shed on the North Vancouver dock 26 mornings in the year, when the early boat is tied up at the outside wharf.

The Superintendent submitted copy of letter from Honeyman & Curtis dated December 19th together with plan of the Ferry dock on the Vancouver side. RECOMMEND that report and plan be filed for future reference and that the City Engineer be furnished with a copy.

Re comfort station – Vancouver side.

RECOMMEND that there be two pay stations each men's and women's on the Vancouver dock and two free stations each, men's and women's.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent arrange for supervision of the lavatories and report.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent change the hours of the night watchman to from 10 p.m. to 6 or 6:20 a.m. and report back with any recommendation he may have.

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

Communication was received from M.E. Sowden, Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, with reference to alleged overcharge in water rates for the Aberdeen Block and Bank of Commerce building.

Mr. Sowden was present and was assured that the matter would receive consideration.

RECOMMEND that the engagement of the Assistant License Inspector be extended to January 25th on original terms and conditions.

The Relief Officer submitted a report that old age pension has been granted to Mr. George Eastman.

RECOMMEND that the amount of assistance granted Mr. Eastman during the last year be reported on, also the amount of relief paid to the old men.

The Treasurer submitted communication from British Foreign and Colonial Corporation re 42 debentures of £50 each and one debenture 12 shillings and eleven pence No. 1 to 43, redeemable at their office January 1928, requesting to be advised what arrangements are being made to reimburse them for any

payments they may be called upon to make in respect of bonds represented to them for payment.

RECOMMEND that the above letter be referred to the Clerk and Solicitor to check up and report.

The Treasurer stated he would have a report at next meeting re old accounts British Foreign and Colonial Corporation, also Brown Shipley & Company.

Communication was received from Capilano Timber Company inquiring what amount is allowed for the collection of poll tax.

RECOMMEND that the above matter be looked into and report on practise elsewhere submitted.

RECOMMEND that the Capilano Timber Company be advised that the City cannot do anything this year, but the matter will be looked into for future guidance, the Assistant License Inspector to pick up poll tax books at Capilano Timber Company and Vancouver Creosote works.

The Relief Officer inquired with reference to granting relief to Mrs. Haswell \$18.00 for month of December.

RECOMMEND that the Relief Officer be authorized to grant relief up to \$18.00 if necessary.

RECOMMEND that assistance be granted Mrs. J.J. Blackman up to January 7th, \$30.00.

The Clerk reported having received a cheque for \$10.00 from the Ratepayers association, towards relief.

RECOMMEND that they be thanked for their kindness and courtesy and that the cheque be passed through the City books and the Treasurer authorized to issue cheque in the amount of \$10.00 to the Relief Officer for disbursement.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer arrange with the Mayor, Chairman of Finance and Auditor to check over securities in the Safety Deposit box.

RECOMMEND that the Clerk invite prices from the local printers for supplying usual number of copies of the Financial Statement.

The Chairman of the Committee reported having purchased the following securities on sinking fund account:

Royal Financial Corporation

£2100 CNR guaranteed by Province of Alberta, 4% due February 25, 1939 at 92.99 yield 4.80%.

£1050 E & D Railway guaranteed by Province of Alberta, 4% due February 15, 1942 at \$91.71, yield 4.80%.

£7000 CNR guaranteed by Province Saskatchewan, 4% due January 23, 1939 at \$92.99, yield 4.80%.

Pemberton & Son

£956 City of North Vancouver, 4 ½% due September 1, 1961 at \$91.11, yield 5.05%.

\$15,500 CNR guaranteed by Province of Saskatchewan, 4% due January 23, 1939 at \$92.62, yield 4.84%.

\$15,000 CNR guaranteed Province of Alberta, 4% stock due February 23, 1939 at \$92.62, yield 4.84%.

R.P. Clark & Co. (Vancouver) Ltd.

\$11,000 City of North Vancouver, 5% November 1, 1937 at \$100.38, yield 4.95%.

£6500 City of North Vancouver, 4 ½% September 1, 1961 at \$92.68, yield 4.95%.

RECOMMEND that the above purchase of securities be approved and confirmed.

RECOMMEND that the Royal Financial Corporation be thanked for their offer of securities and advised that the sinking fund has been invested for the time being.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be authorized to transfer from Trust Savings account to general account, Better Housing Funds account, Loan \$1200 interest \$1486.00, total \$2,686.00 and issue cheque on General Account for said amount payable to the Provincial Government.

Re old license accounts.

RECOMMEND that live cards in index be held in one case and dead accounts transferred to another case and that the Vancouver cases which are being held up on account of appeal be listed and held over.

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

The Clerk reported having received a letter from the Secretary, Ex-High Football team conveying sincere thanks and appreciation for improvements carried out at Confederation Athletic Park.

Filed.

The Clerk was instructed to notify the Police Department that somebody is cutting Christmas trees in Mahon Park, west boundary.

The Engineer reported recommending that Mr. R. Parkin, Junior be employed at \$1.00 per hour when required in case of emergency for maintenance of street lights.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White 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 1928, shall be in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday the 9th day of January 1928 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 1928 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. 120 Esplanade West and Horticultural Hall, 22nd Street and Lonsdale.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the annual Ratepayers meeting be held in the K.P. Hall on January 9th, 1928 at 8 p.m. that a notice be published in the North Shore Press and Review and that the K.P. Hall be secured for that date.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Street Traffic Bylaw 1923, Amendment Bylaw 1927" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. No. 891.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Easement Bylaw 1927" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. No. 892.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that he Zoning Bylaw be laid over until next meeting to check up the Zoning map.

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Irwin and resolved that charges in the Parking Bylaw be published in the North Shore Press and Review and that the press by locals call attention to the regulations.

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

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

Moved by Alderman Townsley, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the meeting adjourn to reconvene in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, December 27th, 1927 at 7:00 p.m.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor