

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, TUESDAY, JULY 3RD, 1928 AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: Acting Mayor E.H. Bridgman
Alderman Anderson
Alderman Cartwright
Alderman Tolmie
Alderman White
Alderman Wilson

The Minutes of Regular meeting of Council, held on Monday, June 19th, 1928, copies of which had previously been furnished each member of the Council were taken as read, and on motion of Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright, adopted.

The Minutes of Special meeting of Council, held on Wednesday, June 27th, 1928, copies of which had previously been furnished each member of the Council were taken as read, and on motion of Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright, adopted.

The Minutes of Special meeting of Council, held on Friday, June 29th, 1928, copies of which had previously been furnished each member of the Council were taken as read, and on motion of Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar of the County Court, Vancouver, being receipts for the registration of Bylaws numbered 962 to 985 inclusive. Filed.

From the Inspector Municipalities, being Certificate of Approval covering Bylaw numbered 956, "The City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Debenture Consolidation Bylaw, No. 2, 1928".
Filed.

From the Secretary of the B.C. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals, applying for permission to "Tag" on the City Ferries, on July 14th, 1928, same day as in the City of Vancouver.

The numerous applications for the privilege of conducting Tag days were commented upon, and the communication, on motion of Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White, was referred to the Committee of the Whole for further consideration.

From the Secretary of the Local Red Cross Society expressing thanks to Council for help and support given to the recent British Empire Red Cross Fair.
Filed.

From the Chairman of the Greater Vancouver Elks Flag and Children's' Day inviting the Mayor and Aldermen to their Annual Patriotic Exercises at Hastings Park on August 8th, 1928.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the invitation be accepted with thanks, and as many members of Council attend as possible.

From the City of London, Ontario, submitting for endorsement of the Council a resolution to declare the Monday of the week in which Empire Day, Dominion Day and New Year's Day, and other Statutory Holidays fall, the public holiday, instead of changing days as at present.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that consideration be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From Annie Spencer, 532 – 28th Street west, applying for improvements to the street at the North end of Larson Road between 25th Street and 28th Street.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the matter be referred to the Board of Works Committee and City Engineer for report.

From A. Wilham, 251 – 27th Street West, applying for continuation of a sidewalk from No. 219 to his address.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the matter be referred to the Board of Works Committee and City Engineer for report.

From the Shell Oil Co., stating their willingness to either purchase or lease Lots 16 and 17, Block 178, D.L. 271, the property being adjacent to their present location on Esplanade West, and the Shell Oil Co., understand that the lots in question will be available for use after the completion of the Tunnel.

The Engineer reported that both lots had been reserved by the City for street purposes. Consideration of the matter was laid over pending a hearing being given Mr. Anstie, Manager of the Company, who wished to address Council but had failed to appear.

From E.L. Howard, 526 – 5th Street East, North Vancouver, relative to increasing his loan under the Better Housing Act by the City purchasing on his behalf the adjoining Lot (Lot 2, Block 12, D.L. 273) at a price of \$165.00, including 1928 Taxes, Deeds and Registration.

Mr. Howard was present and heard.

It was moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the application be referred to the City Solicitor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

From J.D. Richards, Dairyman, suggesting the exchange, for the purpose of his doing business, of Lots 1 and 2, Block 7, D.L. 265, purchased by him from the City in 1926 at a price of \$500.00 with Lots 29 and 30, Block 6, D.L. 265, now owned by the City and held at a price of \$700.00.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the application be referred to the City Solicitor and Assessor for consideration and report at the next meeting of Council.

From H.J. Price, 729 – 18th Street East, offering \$90.00 cash, for Lot 46, Block 6, D.L. 616, this property is adjacent to his residence, and he proposed the improvement of the lot by clearing and grading as part of his home.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the application be referred to Committee of the Whole.

From M. Pigou, 240 – 21st Street East, applying for the lane to be cleared from St. Andrews Avenue to the rear of Lot 16, Block 230, D.L. 546, as he proposed to erect a residence thereon.

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

From D.A. Stewart, 326 – 23rd Street West, applying for drainage to Lots 14 and 15, Block 213, D.L. 544/5, also adjacent lots that had been affected by the City's permanent Grading of 23rd Street.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that that matter be referred to the Board of Works Committee and City Engineer for report.

From H.W. Frith, Chief Engineer of the Vancouver Harbour Commission relative to temporary crossings to take care of traffic on Lonsdale Avenue while tunnel is under construction, also suggesting that Street Cars temporarily stop on the North side of the Esplanade.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the communication be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the Secretary of the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners, with regard to work done on Low Level Road, stating that in the Commissioners opinion the road may now be safely opened for traffic, and that the removal of further material that may fall from the banks by the process of sloughing on account of the Board's constructional operations would be undertaken by the Commissioners for a reasonable time.

From the City Engineer, submitting an estimate of the minimum cost to put the slopes in shape on the Low Level Road, the Engineer stated that the removal of about 20,000 yards of material at an estimated cost of \$1.00 per yard would reduce the slope to a reasonable angle, but suggesting that an expenditure of half that amount at this time might permit the road to be opened and the other half be held to take care of developments during the wet weather.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the communication be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the North Vancouver Saw Mills Ltd., applying for a two-inch meter connection with the water main now being constructed in the Harbour Board's Industrial Area, construction cost to be at their expense and the present connection to their yard to be used for fire protection only.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the application be referred to the Water Works Committee and City Engineer for report.

From the City Assessor advising having completed his inspection and reporting a new total of improvements in the city at June 30th, 1928, of \$7,406,219.00

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the communication be laid on the table to await the return of the City Assessor from his annual vacation.

From the Corporation of the District of North Vancouver asking Council to confirm the erection of a boundary light at the corner of Keith Road and Cloverly Street.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the communication be referred to the Fire and Light Committee with power to act.

From the City Solicitor, with a certified copy of a Minute of meeting of the Committee of the Privy Council dated 20th June, 1928, also approval of plans of proposed extension of cross-section plan re Ferry Wharf at Vancouver Terminal.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Minute and Plans be filed for reference.

From the City Treasurer enclosing report of collections for the month of June totalling \$71,101.40; and the total for the period ending June 30th, \$143,657.99.

Filed for reference.

From the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company, advising rental and a proportion of 1926 and 1927 taxes due and payable on lease of Block "Y", D.L. 271 amounting to \$41.07.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the account be ordered paid, and the required sixty day notice be given terminating the lease, and that the City Engineer cause to be removed the trackage etc., that was originally put there by the City.

From the City Engineer, re proposed concrete sidewalks on Chesterfield avenue and St. George's Avenue from esplanade to 4th Street, recommending that the two proposed works be not proceeded with until the Local Improvement Act is adjusted so that the frontage tax will apply in a similar manner to all work that may in the future be undertaken on North and South Streets.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the recommendation of the City Engineer be adopted.

From the City Engineer re proposed British Columbia Electric Railway Company, tracks over the Lonsdale Avenue subway asking for opinion as to liability of the cost of paving eight inches on either side of the rails.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the communication be referred to the committee.

From the City Engineer submitting estimate of the cost of paving with concrete the East side of Lonsdale Avenue from 19th Street to 25th Street, \$19,825.00; and from 25th Street to the City Boundary 15 feet wide, \$7,450.00.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the communication be referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the City Solicitor reporting on Terminal Rates, stating that the larger industrial concerns on the North Shore have made arrangements with the Railway Companies and have got rates equivalent to Terminal Rates but qualified by certain restrictions so that no damage is being done by the delay in the meeting of the Railway Commissioners.

Acting Mayor E.H. Bridgman reported that the Chairman of the Board of Harbour Commissioners had advised him that day that Terminal Rates had now been granted to all points east of St. George's Avenue, West of that point will be settled on completion of the Tunnel.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the Clerk write to the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners and thank them for the information conveyed, also request that confirmation be made by letter.

From the City Solicitor stating that he desired his two months leave of absence already granted, to commence on the morning of the 6th of July.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Council approve of the date, and confirm the arrangement.

An application By J. O'Reilly Webster for a taxi license was considered. The application was reported as Okayed by the Chief of Police, and the license fee paid to the City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the application be granted.

TENDERS

Tenders were received for repairs to the main deck of No. 3 Ferry as per specifications, from:

Burrard Dry Dock Company, \$9,500.00, completion of work in fourteen days.

Vancouver Dry Dock & Salvage Co., \$8,945.00, no length of time for completion of work stated.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the tenders be referred to the Ferry Committee and Superintendent for consideration and report at the next regular meeting of Council.

DUE ACCOUNTS

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Police, Board of Works, 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		\$2,885.17
School		\$12,095.35
Police		\$1,427.50
Board of Works	\$392.50	
	<u>3728.28</u>	\$4,120.78
Water Works	\$325.00	
	<u>604.00</u>	\$929.48
Ferry		\$9,839.39
Fire and Light		\$1,660.00
Parks	\$230.00	
	<u>360.36</u>	\$590.36
Health	\$340.00	
	<u>140.00</u>	\$480.00

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

RECOMMEND that Read Bros. and Co.'s offer of £100.0.0 City of North Vancouver 4 ½% Bonds at a price of \$98.73 to yield 4.90% be laid on the table, as the City has no funds available for Sinking Fund investment at this time.

RECOMMEND that the monthly detailed report of the City Relief Officer showing that relief distributed during June, \$325.95, be received and adopted.

RECOMMEND that the City Treasurer be authorized to refund A. Benjamin the sum of \$1.85, representing Water Rates paid on the east half of Lot 17, Block 28, D.L. 547/8 (319 – 17th Street West) the property having been vacant and the water shut off from October 24th to December 31st, 1927.

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

RECOMMEND that the application of Miss. C. Homewood be granted to have some brush cut on a City owned lot immediately west of her house at 714 – 22nd Street East, as it is considered a fire menace.
The estimated cost of the work is \$20.00.

RECOMMEND that the application of H.F. Caruth to have the lane opened to the rear of 725 – 15th Street East, be not granted at the present time, owing to the excessive expenditure required.

RECOMMEND that the application of A.A. Barford be granted to have the sidewalk filled in in from of his store at 2527 and 2529 Lonsdale Avenue, between the cement sidewalk and the building.

RECOMMEND that the application of the Lonsdale Motors Ltd., asking the City to pay half the cost of cement crossing in the sidewalk opposite their property be not granted.

RECOMMEND that the City's Road Roller be rented to Colix (Pacific) Limited at the rate of \$7.00 per day, rental to be considered only for the time that the Roller is actually used by them.

The City Engineer to check up on the number of days the roller is in use and make a report on same to the Collector.

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

RECOMMEND that the report of the Ferry Superintendent be adopted in placing Number 2 Ferry in Dry-dock, July 1st (Sunday night) for installing a new propeller blade, due to a break caused by a log becoming jammed in the propeller on Saturday, June 30th at 5:40 p.m.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Superintendent be authorized to purchase from the Burrard Dry Dock Company six propeller blades at a cost of \$70.00 each, to be held as stock for replacement purposes.

RECOMMEND that the City Clerk write to the Officer Commanding the Cadet Camp drawing attention to the unruly conduct on the boat of a detachment of Cadets that joined the 10 a.m. Ferry from Vancouver on July 3rd.

RECOMMEND that the Ferry Superintendent be granted his annual vacation, and that provision of all necessary details for the carrying on of his work while absent be left for himself to arrange.

BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Wilson 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 1928, No. 94" 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 Wilson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1928, No. 94" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1928, No. 94" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1928, No. 94" be now read a third time.

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

Voting for: Acting Mayor Bridgman, Aldermen Anderson, Cartwright, Tolmie, White and Wilson.

MOTIONS

Alderman Cartwright reporting on the recent fatal motor accident at the Bank of Montreal corner at Esplanade West commended very highly the action of Fire Chief Murphy for the efficient work done on that occasion.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Fire chief Murphy expressing the pleasure of Council for his efforts at that time.

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

Alderman Cartwright was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the meeting adjourn.

Signed: E.H. Bridgman, Acting Mayor