MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 3RD, 1928 AT 4:30 P.M.

Present: His Worship Mayor Morden Alderman Anderson Alderman Bridgman Alderman Cartwright Alderman White Alderman Wilson

The Notice convening the meeting and statement of business was read and ordered filed.

Communications were considered relative to the proposed assessment revision from:

James Fairweather, Victoria, B.C. A.R. MacKenzie, Vancouver, B.C.

C.A. Crompton-Brown, Vancouver, B.C.

Alderman E.H. Bridgman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, outlined the procedure followed in interviewing the above named applicants and conveyed to the meeting the impressions gained as a result of those interviews, also conferences had by himself with the other members of the Finance Committee in connection with the selection of a suitable appointee, which summarized were as follows:

<u>Mr. Fairweather</u>, a suitable man with experience, but more or less tied up with his arrangements with the City of Victoria until October 30th, of this year.

<u>Mr. MacKenzie</u>, a suitable man with experience and his services immediately available, a knowledge of local conditions that was considered by the Committee to be of value in view of the urgency of the work being completed and used in the 1929 Roll.

<u>Mr. Crompton-Brown's</u> experience was considered to be along accounting lines rather Municipal assessment work, and no changes of importance were to be effected in the system of recording.

The Clerk read to the meeting a report of a telephone conversation with Mayor Pendray's Secretary (of Victoria) and Reeve McLean of Burnaby, in regard to Mr. Fairweather's special work at those places.

It was then moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that Mr. A.R. MacKenzie of Vancouver, B.C., be engaged to proceed with the revision of the City's assessment in accordance with the terms of his letter, i.e. at a fee of \$15.00 per day in addition to any necessary investigation expense, that his services commence on Monday, August 6th, and be continuous (Sundays excepted) until the work is completed.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that Alderman Bridgman, Alderman Tolmie, and Alderman Anderson be appointed a Special Committee with power to act, in arranging an early interview with Mr. R.A. MacKenzie for the purpose of arriving at a clear understanding of the scope and extent of the work to be undertaken in connection with the special assessment, keeping in mind that equity and the correction of anomalies is the main object to be obtained.

Alderman Wilson and Alderman Cartwright enquired regarding the delay in the issuance of cheques to outside employees in payment for the July 1st holiday (Dominion Day) stating that a number of the men concerned had personally registered complaints to them regarding the delay.

The Comptroller promised immediate attention to the matter, and stated his belief that the cheques were now available at the City Treasurer's office.

Alderman Cartwright, Chairman of the Board of Works Committee, reported on the renting of a "Grader" from the District of North Vancouver at a rental of \$25.00 per day, and now being used on the City streets. He invited the members of Council to personally see the excellent work being accomplished by this piece of road machinery on 14th Street, west of Lonsdale Avenue, and expressed the opinion that Council could be well advised to consider the purchase for the City of a Road Grader.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the bow bring in a written report after interviewing the Manufacturers' Agents on the question of price and terms, and getting full information on the most modern types of Grader.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the meeting adjourn.

Whereupon the meeting adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor