

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 1928 AT 8:00 P.M.**

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

The Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council, held Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 1928, copies of which had previously been mailed to each member of the Council, were taken as read, and on motion of Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cartwright, adopted.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved by a standing vote, that an expression of deepest sympathy be conveyed from this Council to the family of Christopher F. Foreman, in their very sad bereavement suffered through his death.

The late Mr. Foreman was a former Alderman of the City, and a highly respected member of this Community.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar of the County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for Bylaws numbered 991 to 995:

“Thirteenth Street (St. George’s to St. Andrew’s) Sanitary Sewer Initiative Bylaw 1928” (No. 991).

“Keith Road (Jones to Forbes) Sanitary Sewer Initiative Bylaw 1928” (No. 992).

“Sixth Street (Lonsdale to St. David’s) Sanitary Sewer Initiative Bylaw 1928” (No. 993).

“Fifth Street (Lonsdale to St. David’) Sanitary sewer Imitative Bylaw 1928” (No. 994).

“Lonsdale Avenue (19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>) Concrete Paving initiative Bylaw 1928” (No. 995).

Filed.

From the Tubercular Veterans Section of the Canadian Legion, Vancouver, applying for permission to hold a Tag Day on the Ferries and in the City on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 1928.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the required permission be granted, if that date is available, and the Secretary of the organization be so advised.

From the District Clerk, advising the consent of his Council to the erection of a Boundary light at 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Sutherland Avenue, the Street Lighting Co., having been so notified.

Communication filed.

From the Secretary Treasurer of the North Vancouver General Hospital, applying to Council for a grant of \$1000.00 towards operating expenses.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that a grant of \$1000.00 for operating expenses be made to the North Vancouver General Hospital and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a cheque for that amount.

From the Campaign Committee of the Children's Aid Society of Vancouver, applying for a grant in aid of that Institution, a special drive for funds is now being made with an objective of \$25,000.00 by September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1928.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that a donation of \$100.00 be given, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue a cheque therefore.

From G.H. Legros, 1740 Lonsdale Avenue, requesting that the lane be opened at the rear of his property at the foregoing address.

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

From Modern Homes Ltd., applying to have the brush cut in the vicinity of a new dwelling erected by them on Lot 17, Block 35, D.L. 550, (16<sup>th</sup> Street W., half block from boulevard).

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

From A.W. Taylor, 427 – 19<sup>th</sup> Street East drawing attention to the condition of the sidewalk, street and lane between 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets on Moody Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the communication be referred to the bow and City Engineer for investigation and report.

From P.J. Elliott, 228 – 24<sup>th</sup> Street West, expressing dissatisfaction and lodging a general complaint on street conditions adjacent to his property at the address given.

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

From Margaret Johnston, 2632 Western Avenue, applying for a lane to be opened at the rear of her property, S ½ Lot 20, Block 228, D.L. 545.

There is no lane in this block; Mrs. Johnston expresses her willingness to convey the required ten feet for lane purposes provided the other owners nearer the street can be induced to convey lane allowance at the rear of the property.

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

From the Secretary of the Vancouver harbour Commissioners, acknowledging receipt of a communication regarding the bearing of the expense for additional street cars if required.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the letter be filed for reference.

From the City Solicitor advising that Bylaw NO. 996 "City of North Vancouver Local Improvement Lonsdale Avenue Paving bylaw 1928" is not in order, inasmuch as it deals with a particular piece of construction, contrary to Section 23 of the Local Improvement Act.

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

From the Sanitary Inspector, reporting on his examination of a Laundry at 124 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street West, stating that in the opinion of the Engineer and himself the plumbing is defective, and the wash-house is not in accordance with the existing City regulations.

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

From J.W. Fugler, Sanitary Inspector, submitting a report, covering his attendance as a delegate at the annual convention of the Sanitary Inspectors Association of Canada, held in the City Hall, Vancouver, on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 1928.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the report be received and filed for reference.

From W.E. Carnegie, further protesting against the keeping of foxes at 356 – 4<sup>th</sup> Street East, and from E. Clement Brown, the owner of the foxes at that address relative to the petition filed by W.E. Carnegie and others at a previous meeting of Council.

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

From Blanche Laycock, owner of Lot 24, Block 115, D.L. 274, protesting against the plans for the proposed sewer on 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

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

From the Fire Chief of the Fire Department, submitting the report of his Department for the month of August 1928 – 11 alarms responded to.

Total Risk	\$4,400.00
Total Insurance	\$3,200.00
Total loss	\$3,128.00

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the report be received and filed.

From the Secretary of the Ratepayers Association, drawing the attention of Council to:

1. Principles on which men are employed, with particular reference to City work now being conducted at Rice Lake.
2. Urging immediate construction of a sidewalk from Lonsdale Avenue to the High School.
3. Drawing attention to the bad state of repair of the sidewalk on the East side of Lonsdale Avenue in front of the Wallace Shipyards.
4. Objecting to the proposed plans for Sanitary sewers on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets, and suggesting instead that shallow sewers, one in the lane on the south side of the street, and one close to the property line on the North side, be substituted for the present proposal of a deep laid sewer on the south side of each street.
5. Requesting details of the amount of revenue derived from the City Water system, and asking if any provision has been made by Council for renewals, and are services in condition to withstand increased pressure.
6. Drawing attention to the very poor lighting on the east side of Victoria Park, especially Upper and Lower Keith Roads.

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

From the Secretary of the Board of Police Commissioners advising that the Police Department was doing its best to cope with traffic conditions at the foot of Lonsdale Avenue.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the communication be received and filed, with the request that the Chief of Police be urged to take every precaution in handling the traffic situation on Lonsdale Avenue during the time that the Subway is under construction.

From R.J. Fowler, 212 Esplanade East, protesting against the type of a proposed Sanitary Sewer to be laid on 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and suggesting as an alternative that two shallow sewers be constructed along the lines suggested by the Ratepayers Association.

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

From A.E. Newman, 221 – 24<sup>th</sup> Street West, protesting against the proposed Sanitary Sewer to be constructed on 13<sup>th</sup> Street, under the Local Improvement Plan.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that in view of a petition having been lodged by practically all of the property owners on the South side of 13<sup>th</sup> Street, in the Block affected between St. Andrew's and St. George's Avenues, that the proposal to construct a Sanitary Sewer on the Local Improvement Plan be abandoned.

Alderman Bridgman advised that the Hospital Board of Management had arranged to provide for their own Sanitary Sewer through their own property lines to connect with the existing main sewer on St. George's Avenue.

From W. Brand Young acknowledging, with sincere appreciation, the expression of sympathy sent by Council in remembrance of the late Mrs. Young.

Received and filed.

From John McCready, requesting that deductions from his salary as a contributor to the Superannuation Fund be made at the rate of 8%, effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1928, instead of 4% as at present.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that Council authorize future contributions to be made at the rate of 8% provided Mr. McCready qualifies as to the age limit prescribed in the Act.

The Clerk reported on a Coroner's Inquest held on Edward Williams, an Indian, whose death took place on the Indian Reservation at North Vancouver, the result of an accident occurring in the City of Vancouver. A Bill for \$37.00 was rendered by the City to the Department of Indian Affairs through the Indian Agent, which the Department had refused to pay. In correspondence an expression of opinion was asked from the Department, as to whether they considered any liability for an inquest held under similar circumstances would rest with them, to which the Department replied it has not been the practice to pay such fees, and that in the opinion of the Department an Indian was in the same position as any other person within the jurisdiction of the Coroner.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the correspondence be referred to the City Solicitor for report as to the liability of the City in holding an inquest on the Indian Reservation, and that opinion be submitted to the next regular meeting of Council.

## PETITIONS

A petition was received from W.W. MacGregor and seven others, protesting against the construction of a Sanitary Sewer under the Local Improvement Plan on 13<sup>th</sup> Street between St. George's and St. Andrew's Avenues.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that Mr. MacGregor be advised that Council have decided to abandon its intention to proceed with the construction of a Sanitary Sewer under the Local Improvement Plan at this location.

A petition was heard from Amy MacEwen and nine others, protesting against a proposed concrete paving being constructed on the East side of Lonsdale Avenue between 19<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> streets. In view of a written opinion at this meeting from the City Solicitor, that the Corporation cannot legally assume 25% of the remaining cost after paying for street intersections, as provided in the Act, and the fact that the petitioners represent a substantial portion of the total assessed value of the property to be benefited, it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Tolmie and resolved that the petition be laid over for a period of two weeks, and that the City Assessor prepare a report for the next regular meeting of Council, showing what proportion of the total assessed value of the proposed Improvement the petitioners represent.

A petition was presented from Robt. J. Fowler, and fifteen others, protesting against the proposed construction of a sanitary sewer on 6<sup>th</sup> street. The petitioners evidently based

their opposition on the proposed plans for the sewer, and not against a sewer, as in their petition they suggest an alternative type of construction in the lane between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets.

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

### ENQUIRIES

His Worship the Mayor again enquired if the repayment of funds temporarily borrowed from the Ferry Reserve account had been made by the city Treasurer.

The Clerk stated no report on this matter had been received from the Treasurer as requested by a former resolution of Council.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Clerk take the matter up with Mr. Straw on his return from his vacation, see that the necessary transfers are made in the accounts, and that the Council be advised, in writing, at its next meeting that its wishes have been carried out.

### TENDERS

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the application of Laura B. Howard, as Agent for Sarah Jane Morrison, to purchase Lot 31, Block 218, D.L. 546, at the list price of \$165.00 on terms, be approved, and that the necessary Bylaw be prepared and submitted to Council at its next meeting.

### PLANS FOR APPROVAL

From the City Engineer enclosing plans of the proposed widening of Forbes Avenue between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> streets, including a small triangular corner of Lot 28, agreed to be conveyed by Mr. Fred Corkill as part of his arrangement in purchasing Lot 29 in the same block, from the City.

The Engineer recommended that the plans be approved and registration authorized.

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the proposed plans be referred to Committee of the Whole for further consideration.

### DUE ACCOUNTS

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Police, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Parks, Fire and Light 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	\$2559.10	
	<u>20177.92</u>	\$22,737.02
Police		\$173.82
Board of Works	\$2351.91	
	7660.44	
	<u>795.45</u>	\$10,807.80
Water Works	\$3660.62	

	<u>3934.74</u>	\$7,595.36
Ferry	\$5049.12	
	<u>2573.91</u>	\$7,623.03
School		\$1,134.26
Parks	\$255.70	
	454.77	
	<u>23.50</u>	\$733.97
Fire & Light		\$1,851.26
Health	\$127.36	
	12.61	
	<u>683.80</u>	\$823.77

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

RECOMMEND that the sum of \$5.40 be refunded to Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., on account of the current water rates having been paid twice for the residence at 149 – 5<sup>th</sup> Street West, once by the owner, Mr. Northrup, and also by Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd., as agents.

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

RECOMMEND that the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co., for the sale of their Rail Tickets be undertaken by the City Ticket Sellers at the Ferry Offices during the winter months, on Saturdays and Sundays, as in former years, be confirmed.

Mr. Scott, the Ferry Accountant, advises that the Railway Co. for this privilege pay the sum of \$25.00 per month.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the following report of the Water Works Committee be adopted:

Moved by Alderman Tolmie, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the City Engineer be hereby requested to furnish at the next regular meeting of Council, a report, in writing, setting forth in complete detail all aspects of the Rice Lake Water scheme. The report to state the general situation at Rice Lake, the progress being made on construction of connecting mains, and the approximate time at which the project will be completed. The report should further state if in the Engineer's opinion the completed project will supply sufficient water to take care of the entire needs of the City.

RECOMMEND that the City Engineer arrange for a trip of inspection by the members of the Council to Rice Lake and to the mains being constructed, and further see that all members of Council are duly advised before the trip is made.

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

RECOMMEND that the trees be trimmed, and the brush cut adjacent to the light at the corner of 15<sup>th</sup> Street and Williams Avenue, as the light located there is completely obscured by the foliage.

RECOMMEND that a trip of inspection of the Fire and Light Committee be arranged for Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. when the following locations will be inspected:

Street corners intersecting on the Low Level Road, and the provision of adequate street lighting on the road itself.

The erection of an additional light on 15<sup>th</sup> Street and 700 feet East of Williams Avenue.

The question of installing a light on the street nearly opposite the "Colonial Apartments" to be further considered, also the lighting on the East side of Victoria Park, with particular reference to Upper and Lower Keith Roads.

Through Alderman White the further consideration of erecting an Arc light opposite Harron Bros. Undertaking Parlours on 6<sup>th</sup> Street West, at the expense of the concern doing business there.

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

RECOMMEND that permanent concrete marking posts be placed in that portion of the cemetery known as "The Oddfellows Plot" as provided for in the original agreement.

RECOMMEND that A. Rout Harvey, Secretary of St. John's Church Committee be advised to re-submit to the 1929 Council the application of the Young People's Association of that Church for the use as a tennis court of the City owned Lot "A", Block 72, D.L. 548, southwest corner of 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Chesterfield Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the Parks Committee be given power to act in the matter of taking men, at present employed in the Parks, out to the cemetery to do needed work on the plot set aside for perpetual upkeep and maintenance.

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEE



A report in detail was received from the Delegates attending the Annual Convention of the Good Roads League of British Columbia, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, and the Municipal Officers Association, at Trail, B.C. on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 1928.

A supplementary report was submitted by Alderman Anderson and Alderman Bridgman regarding a visit of inspection paid by them to the new Hospital at Trail.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the reports as read, be adopted and filed for reference, and that the thanks of the Council be forwarded to the Cy of Trail, the Municipality of Tadanac, and to Miss Morrison, Matron of the Hospital, for the courtesies extended to the delegation.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the honour conferred on Alderman Bridgman in being elected President of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and expressed his personal gratification in having a member of this Council holding that office.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that this Council records its appreciation of the honour conferred upon Alderman Bridgman in being elected President of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and wish him a happy and successful term of office.

## MOTIONS

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the City Engineer be requested to use every effort to have the work being done on the water connection at the northeast corner of Lonsdale Avenue and Esplanade expedited, as the open cut there is causing much inconvenience to traffic in view of the present disorganized condition of the streets at that point.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the City Engineer take up with the Contractor for the Subway the question of having the required number and size of timbers for temporary traffic bridges on the ground to be used at the first available opportunity so that no delay would be caused to traffic on that account.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the City Solicitor proceed to draw up the required agreement between the city of North Vancouver, the Board of Harbour Commissioners, and the B.C. Mills timber and Trading Co., relative to the Low Level Road at Moodyville on the liens set forth in the letter received from the Board of Harbour Commissioners confirming the undertaking given by them to the Special Committee of Council, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1928.

## BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication Bylaw, No. 3, 1928" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the said Bylaw as reconsidered be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. No. 996.

### NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Collector adopt the same procedure as in past years in the matter of advertising the Annual Tax Sale, and that the required number of Tax Sale Lists be ordered printed.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that Mr. C.D. Jermyn of the City Treasurer's staff be appointed Acting City Treasurer, with the customary powers in that behalf, during the absence of Treasurer H.R. Straw on vacation.

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

Alderman Wilson was appointed Chairman.

### IN COMMITTEE

## IN COUNCIL

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

Alderman Cartwright requested the loan of a certain number of picks and shovels from the Board of Works Department for use at the cemetery, stating that he would personally attend to them being returned.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the asked for permission be granted.

Alderman Anderson reported he had not completed the Council Team for the annual Shot at the Grouse Mountain Traps of the Scenic Highway Gun Club, to be held on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, and requested volunteers, none were forthcoming, and the matter was left in his hands for further negotiation.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the meeting adjourn.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor