

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON MONDAY, JULY 15TH, 1929 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Minutes of the Regular meeting, held on Tuesday, July 2nd, 1929, the Minutes of a Special meeting held Tuesday, July 9th, 1929, and the Minutes of a Special meeting held Friday, July 12th, 1929, copies of which had been supplied to each member of the Council, were taken as read, and on motion of Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Vance, adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From the Secretary of the North Vancouver Choral Society, expressing thanks to the Council for the donation granted that Organization.
Filed.

From Robert T. Muir, 258 – 14th Street West, reciting injuries suffered on account of his tripping on a depression in the concrete sidewalk on the east side of Lonsdale Avenue alongside the Wallace Shipyards, on July 10th, 1929, at 7:20 a.m.

The Clerk stated that under the Local Improvement Act the City is bound to maintain its Local Improvements and that the sidewalk where the accident occurred was constructed as a Local Improvement.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be referred to the City Solicitor and Engineer with power to act in effecting a settlement if the facts are found to be as stated.

From the City of Vancouver, the current year's tax statement amounting to \$51.51, being the local Improvement tax on Electric Lighting at the Vancouver Ferry Terminal, Lots 31 – 38, North of right-of-way, Block 1, D.L. 181-196.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the taxes be paid, and that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque therefore before the expiry date August 3rd, 1929.

From Edith Robertson, 161 – 16th Street East, applying for a sidewalk to be constructed around her property at the S.W. corner of 15th Street and St. George's Avenue.

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

From John Smith, 233 – 22nd Street West, applying for a more adequate water supply at his residence.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the application be referred to the Waterworks Committee with power to act, provided the trouble is not on his property.

From Myrtle Jean Ashley, St. Andrew's United Women's Missionary Society, protesting against the proposed establishment of a beer parlour in the City of North Vancouver.

Referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

From Sadie S. McIlwaine, 634 – 7th Street East, stating that she had sustained injuries by tripping on a loose plank on the sidewalk on the south side of 8th Street, near St. George's Avenue, on July 6th, 1929 at 9:35 p.m. Damages claimed \$20, and Doctor's expenses.

The Engineer, reported in writing, that the sidewalk complained of was properly constructed in the first instance.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Solicitor and Clerk reply, following the customary procedure in such cases, at the same time conveying the regret of the council at the accident to Miss McIlwaine.

From the Chairman of the Greater Vancouver Elks' Flag and Children's Day Committee, inviting the Mayor and the members of Council to be their guests at their annual Flag Day on August 7th, 1929 at Hastings Park.

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

From Mrs. M.K. Brown, 1379 – 15th Avenue West, Vancouver, applying to have the lane cleared, for the benefit of her tenants, in the Two Hundred Block between 24th and 25th Streets (Lot 22, Block 214A, D.L. 545).

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

From the Corporation of the District of Burnaby, requesting the endorsement and support of the Council to the following resolution, which it is proposed to submit at the annual convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities:

"That this Council do go on record as being in favour of a system of old Age Pensions for all Canadian upon attaining the age of 65 years and subject to compulsory contributions from all ages and incomes and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Secretary of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for presentation at the forthcoming Convention".

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

From the Corporation of the District of Burnaby, requesting the endorsement and support of the Council to the following resolution, which it is proposed to submit at the annual convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities:

“That this Council do go on record as being in favour of the incorporation of the powers and duties of Board of School trustees and of Police Commissioners with the powers and duties of Municipal Councils, and that, to this end there be one elected body only in any Municipality, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Secretary of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for presentation at the forthcoming Convention”:

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

From the Deputy Provincial Secretary enclosing Order-in-Council No-1009 approving “The Ferries Operation and Maintenance Bylaw 1926 Amendment Bylaw 1929”.

Received and filed.

From the Secretary of the School Board, requesting in accordance with the practice of past years, that the grass be cut on the several school grounds with the City’s mowing machine, the cost incurred to be charged to school expense.

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

From the Secretary of the School Board, following submission of a proposed amendment to the “Health Act” in respect to vaccination, stating that the Trustees feel that the issue involved is of too contentious a character to permit of them expressing a definite opinion upon it, and further that the Trustees are of the opinion that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities would be the logical body to submit recommendations to the Provincial Board of Health on matters affecting the “Public Health Act”.

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

From the Comptroller General, Victoria, enclosing a bill for \$241.91, being the cost of maintenance of J.L. Wickers (deceased) in the Provincial Home at Kamloops, from 1st April 1928 to 31st March 1929 – Mr. Wickers died April 7th, 1929.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the account be ordered paid, and that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque therefore.

From E.S. Kirkpatrick, Regina, Saskatchewan, under date of July 7th, reciting the difficulties and delays on his trip from the coast, also certain trouble he had found with the films furnished to him, and suggesting that the period of his contract date from the time the films are ready to begin his work instead of July 1st as provided for in the agreement.

From E.S. Kirkpatrick, Creelman, Saskatchewan under date of July 12th stating he had got the films fixed by a camera man at Regina, and proposed starting work at Creelman on Monday, July 15th, Heeward – Tuesday, Stoughton – Wednesday, Fillmore

– Thursday, Griffin – Friday, and Osage – Saturday, all in Saskatchewan. Also requesting that a cheque for two weeks salary be mailed forthwith to him at Creelman.

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

From H.B. Snow, 167 Victoria Park, advising that the retaining wall built by the City in front of his property is in a bad state of repair, and that in view of a concrete sidewalk being laid opposite his place, he is of the opinion that this wall should be repaired before the concrete walk is laid.

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

The number and recurrence of “Tag Days” was discussed, the opinion being expressed that on the City Ferries they were rather a nuisance to the passengers who had not got the same liberty of action as a pedestrian on the street. It was decided that for the present Tag Days be permitted to continue as Ferry patrons need not make a contribution unless they want to.

From the Catholic Women’s League applying for the privilege of “Tagging” at the ferry approaches on Saturday, July 27th, 1929 – same day as in Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that permission be granted provided the date is available.

From the Children’s Aid Society of Vancouver, applying for the privilege of “Tagging” in the City and on the Ferries on Saturday, September 14th, 1929 – same day as in Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that permission be granted provided the date is available.

The application from the Lessees of Heywood Auto Park for permission to erect and maintain a gas pump in the Park area was again considered, in connection with communications from surrounding Municipalities on the same subject.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be refused, adequate facilities being already provided adjacent to the camp by Ratepayers.

The applicant from the Board of the North Vancouver General Hospital for as close a water service rate as possible was considered in conjunction with replies from the following Municipalities:

Nanaimo	Flat rate of \$25 per month, refunding in form of a grant
Kamloops	Flat rate of \$20 per month, Hospital has 100 beds and extensive lawns and orchard.
New Westminster	Metered service 7¢ per cubic foot. City pays interest and Sinking fund on all charges connected with the Hospital.

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

From B.W. Benjamin, 321 – 17th Street West, stating that on account of falling on a City sidewalk he had suffered to date a monetary loss of \$416 plus his Doctor's expenses.

The Clerk reported the procedure followed since Mr. Benjamin had first drawn the attention of Council to his fall.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the solicitor and Clerk reply to the present letter.

From the Fire Chief, reporting 4 fire alarms for the month ending June 30th and no fire loss.

Received and filed.

From the City Solicitor, stating that a bond guaranteeing the payment of damages by the Pacific Stages to 23rd Street, Larson Road and Bewicke Avenue, by vehicles belonging to the Company exceeding 7 ½ tons gross load had been executed and is now in the possession of the City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be received and filed, and that the Engineer as Assessor, on reasonable evidence of damage having been done to the Streets involved, proceed to enforce the terms of the bond, should such action be deemed necessary.

From the City Solicitor, enclosing copy of the submission to the Arbitrators re the Ferry Refreshment Stand Lease, also correspondence relating thereto between himself as Counsel for the City, and Killam and Shakespeare, acting for the Lessee.

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

From the City Solicitor enclosing copy of Order-in-Council passed 8th March last, appointing Job Kirkland to the staff of the Provincial Police without salary.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that Job Kirkland be and is hereby appointed Rice Lake Watershed Sanitary Inspector with Provincial Police powers, and that a copy of the Sanitary Regulations governing Watersheds be furnished to Mr. Kirkland, and that the Engineer be notified of same.

From the City Treasurer, cash statement for the month ending June 30th, 1929.

Receipts	\$26,998.18
Expenditure	\$61,613.04

Received and filed.

From the North Vancouver Sawmills Ltd. and the Capilano Timber Co. Ltd. suggesting the use of Pressure Creosoted timber for bridge construction as against steel and other materials.

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

From the North Shore Realty Co. requesting consideration for a small commission to be allowed them in the matter of the intended purchase of City Lots 18 and 20, Block 172, D.L. 274, by L.C. & J. Thompson, a deposit of \$100 paid being forfeited.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that under the circumstances the Council cannot see its way clear to grant the request.

PETITIONS

From H.C. Trafton, 242 – 28th Street West, and 5 others, applying to have 28th Street and the Chesterfield and Mahon Avenue approaches thereto put in a better state of repair, the roadway is said by the complainants to be in a very bad condition, and the brush overhangs all of the sidewalks.

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

TENDERS

Tenders for the construction of the 27th Street Sanitary Sewer system were on motion opened and considered as follows:

Nick Cosco Construction Co. Ltd.	\$11,199.50
Harrison & Lamond Construction Co. Ltd.	\$13,591.20
Ellis-Cotton Co. Ltd.	\$14,241.30

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the tenders as submitted be referred to the City Engineer for tabulation and report.

The City Engineer reported that the tenders were all in order in the amounts as stated above, and further recommended that the tender of N. Cosco Construction Co. Ltd. in the amount of \$11,199.50 be accepted.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the recommendation of the City Engineer be adopted, and the contract be and is hereby awarded to the N. Cosco Construction Co. Ltd. subject to the prevailing City contract conditions.

DUE ACCOUNTS

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, Ferry, Police, School, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks and Health Committees were submitted by the various Chairmen and read to the meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the accounts to the amounts following:

Finance	\$2391.07	
	<u>666.30</u>	\$3,057.37
Police		\$388.95
School		\$778.12
Ferry	\$2029.29	
	<u>1840.22</u>	\$3,869.51
Board of Works	\$873.04	
	<u>3369.18</u>	\$4,242.22
Waterworks	\$173.24	

	<u>1.90</u>	\$175.14
Fire & Light		\$2,181.94
Health	\$504.01	
	<u>144.47</u>	\$648.48
Parks		\$140.51

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

RECOMMEND that the following reports from the City Solicitor and License inspector on the Silva family, 716 – 16th Street West, the Police Department be notified to investigate, through the Provincial Police, the circumstances of the husband, Manuel Silva, who is said to be fishing for a cannery at Bella-Bella, and explain the reason that he, an able-bodied man, is continuously unable to support his family.

RECOMMEND that the Medical Health Officer and the Chief of Police investigate and act upon the conditions obtaining at the Toneff residence, 323 – 4th Street West, the house and children are reported to be in an extremely filthy state, and a menace to the public health. Meantime no further relief to be granted to this family until the father appears personally before the Council.

RECOMMEND that the City's delegates to the annual meeting of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities re furnished with a copy of the Solicitor's letter in the McEwan case, and that when the subject of Indigent persons is up for discussion at the convention, the City's delegates press for a reasonable change in the present system, whereby Municipalities have to pay for the maintenance of persons in the Provincial jail and the cost of keeping the family while the person is there.

RECOMMEND that A.E. Ames and Co. of Vancouver be advised that the City is not open at this time to consider offerings for sinking fund investment.

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

RECOMMEND that the progress report from the City Solicitor in respect to the City's claim for Marine Insurance for damages to Ferry No. 2 through collision with a dolphin on July 24th, 1927, be minuted:
 "I would inform you that I have seen Messrs. Dundas-Grant and Woodrooffe, the Brokers concerned, who advise me that the collection of the claim has not yet been completed, but they hope to be in a position to arrange a payment with you at an early date".

RECOMMEND that the arrangements completed by the Ferry Superintendent be approved whereby Evans, Coleman and Evans Ltd. are to supply the timber and the ferry employees carry out the repairs, to a wooden crossing at or near the C.P.R. tracks ferries exit.

RECOMMEND that the appreciation of the travelling public conveyed to the Chairman of the Ferry Committee at the sale of 20 passenger tickets for \$1.00 be minuted.

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

RECOMMEND that the street end opposite the W.H. Davies property, 429 – 19th Street East be widened, so that traffic can conveniently turn without using a private crossing to his garage.

RECOMMEND that the boulevard trees in the 500 Block – Nineteenth Street East, be not cut down, following receipt of a petition to that effect from a majority of the residents in that block, and that the case of those living further up the hill complaining that the street light at 19th Street and Moody Avenue is obscured by the trees, be met by completing the construction of the sidewalk on the south side of 20th Street, and favourably recommending to the Fire and Light Committee the installation of a street light at the corner of 20th Street and Moody Avenue.

RECOMMEND that the City Engineer be given power to act in filling with cold patching the depressions on the concrete sidewalk on the East side of Lonsdale Avenue between the Esplanade and the Ferry wharf.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer be given power to act in spraying with crude oil, Keith Road from Forbes Avenue to Marine Drive, on account of the traffic on the roadway, the dust on this section is reported as bad.

RECOMMEND that immediate attention be given to repairing the roadway at the corner of 27th Street and Chesterfield Avenue, with is reported in a bad condition.

NEW BUSINESS

The Mayor and the members of the Council, who had accompanied the Honourable the Acting Minister of Public Works and his deputies, on an inspection of the 3rd Street, Larson Road, McKay and Mosquito Creek bridges, referred to the close examination made of all bridges by the Government representatives, and to their apparent conviction that bridges of a permanent character would be provided to replace the existing wooden structures. The minister requested that the Council submit, in writing, a statement of cost and the extent to which the Government would be expected to render financial aid.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that this Council lay consideration over to Committee of the Whole.

BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1929, No. 11" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. No. 1120.

Voting for: Mayor Morden, Aldermen Anderson, Bridgman, Cartwright, Vance, and Wilson.

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

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor