

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, JULY 29TH, 1929 AT 8:00 P.M.

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

The Clerk read the notice of the meeting:

“A Special meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, July 29th, 1929, at 8 o'clock p.m. Business – General”.

Received and filed.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From W.A. Crute, 1501 Lonsdale Avenue, applying to have the lane between Eastern Avenue and St. George's Avenue opened in a northerly direction, and repaired to provide reasonable access for lumber and material for a residence he proposes to build on Lot 12, Block 207, D.L. 545.

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

From R.E. Janes, 402 – 19th Street East, drawing attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the roadway in the 300 Block 19th Street East.

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

From Isabella J. Caldwell, and B. Elliott, who reside in the 200 Block, 24th Street West, applying to have the lane cleared in that block, between 24th and 25th Streets.

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

From Geo. F. Roe, applying to have the lane opened to the rear of his property, Lot 20, Block 153, D.L. 274, between 1st and 2nd Streets, and St. Andrew's and St. Patrick's Avenues.

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

From the Secretary of the Good Roads League, enclosing report of the proceedings of the 1928 Convention held at Trail, B.C. advising that the 13th annual Convention will be held at Harrison Springs on October 14th and 15th, of this year, and reminding that the annual subscription to the League is now due, and that a cheque should be forwarded for same at an early date.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the annual subscription amounting to \$15.00 be ordered paid, and that delegates to the forthcoming convention be appointed at a later date.

From the Secretary of the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners, stating that the roof of the subway west of Lonsdale Avenue is showing signs of wear, due to the heavy traffic now making use of it, and urging that the City restore the surface of that portion of the street without delay.

The Clerk reported that the Harbour Commissioners had been advised that the matter of restoring the street surface on Esplanade West in accordance with the terms of the agreement was now in hand.

Received and filed.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that a communication be sent to the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners enquiring when the Commissioners' expect to have arrangements completed that will provide for the running of through trains to serve all Industries located on the North Shore and particularly those at the western end of the subway.

From Bitumuls Western Ltd., Vancouver, again offering a free demonstration of their products on the City streets.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that Bitumuls Ltd. be requested to submit an estimate of the cost, with specifications, of scarifying, rocking and treating the surface of St. George's Avenues, standard width, from Esplanade to 1st Street with their cold emulsion product, the work to be figured on according to the specifications that they consider necessary for a first class job.

From the Clerk of the District of North Vancouver re the proposed meeting in connection with further discussing the situation on the North Shore created by the discontinuance of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

From the Secretary to the Premier in respect to a conference with the representatives of the City and District Councils, the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Directors, the Vancouver members of the Legislature, and the Minister of Public Works, advising that the Premier will take the matter up with the Honourable Mr. Lougheed, the Minister of Public Works, at the first convenient opportunity, and will further advise.

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

From the Building Inspector, advising that following complaints he had examined the sheds and buildings erected on Lot 7 to 3, Block 20, D.L. 548 – 1817 Chesterfield Avenue – formerly known as the Chesterfield Woodyard, and he had found them in a

dilapidated and dangerous condition and further recommended that the buildings be condemned and destroyed at the earliest possible date.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the report of the building inspector in respect to the buildings on the property described be adopted, and that the necessary notice to have the buildings pulled down and removed be served on the owner, Mrs. L.A. Angwood, R.F.D. No. 1, Box 389, Centralia, Wash., USA.

The Solicitor and Clerk to act in the matter.

From E.S. Kirkpatrick, Creelman, Sask., stating that on account of poor crop conditions on the Prairies he had been unable to sell City properties according to the terms of his contract, he had further experienced a great deal of motor trouble which had handicapped his programme, suggesting that the Council grant him permission to continue offering city properties for a time on a straight commission basis.

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

From H.W. Farmer, 1849 Moody Avenue, drawing attention to the migration to the North Shore of Japanese Starlings, and suggesting the advisability of measures being taken now to check the nuisance before it becomes wide spread.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Clerk communicate with the Provincial Game Warden and ascertain the best methods for combating this pest.

From the City License Inspector, the following applications for license to operate automobiles and Stages for hire in the City, all the applications having been approved by the Chief of Police:

H.D. Boulger	1
North Vancouver Cartage	2
W.F. Rogers	1
E.C. Schultz	1
J.O. Webster	1
G.O. Webster	1
Arthur Currie	1
F.E. Weese	1
J.R. Hicks	1
B.C. Motor Transportation Ltd. (Pacific Stages Ltd.)	6

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that all of the licenses as applied for be granted.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Solicitor and License Inspector look into the Trades Licensing Bylaw and report on the maximum fee that can now be charged the Pacific Stages Ltd. for the operation of their buses, if no provision is made for a larger fee being charged than is now charged to the operator of an automobile for hire, the Council are of the opinion that the Bylaw should be amended in that respect.

From William Harris, a City employee applying to be superannuated in accordance with the terms set out in section 44 of the Superannuation Act – Joint Life and Last Survivor Plan – 18 years service.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the application be granted and that Mr. Harris be superannuated in accordance with the prescribed tables now in force.

From the City Treasurer advising that on instructions of the Finance Committee, the following bonds had been purchased from Wood-Gundy & Co. for Sinking Fund account, August Delivery:

\$40,000.00 Dominion of Canada, 5 ½% Renewal Loan Bonds, due 1st November 1932, at 100.10 and accrued Interest, Yield 5.47.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the action of the Committee and the purchase be confirmed.

The following offerings for Sinking Fund Investment were submitted through the City Treasurer:

Pemberton & Son	\$50,000 -Dominion of Canada 5 ½% renewal Bonds, due 1 st November 1932.
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Reed Henderson Ltd.	\$500.00 City of North Vancouver 5 ½% due August 1st, 1954 at par to yield 5.50%.
	\$1,000.00 North Vancouver City Ferries due March 10 th , 1950, 5% at 97.46 to yield 5.20%.

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

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved by standing vote that the Clerk convey to Mrs. William Morden and family, the deepest sympathy of Council in the sad bereavement suffered through the passing of a devoted husband and father.

TENDERS

Sealed tenders for a “Power Grader” were submitted as follows:

1. No name.
2. Paragon Supplies Ltd.
3. Brown, Fraser and Co. Ltd.
4. Willard Equipment Co.
5. National Machinery Co. Ltd.
6. Engineering Supplies Ltd.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the tenders be laid on the table unopened, and that additional tenders be called for, through the Board of Works Committee, for a Tractor, Pull Grader, Scarifier, and plough,

to be dealt with at the same time as the Tenders now in hand. Those firms have already tendered on the Power Grader to be given the privilege of withdrawing their tender if desired.

BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman White 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 1929, No. 12" 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 White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1929, No. 12" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1929, No. 12" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw 1929, No. 12" be now read a third time.

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

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

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of the Council, a Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Hospital Loan Bylaw 1929" 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 Vance, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Hospital Loan Bylaw 1929" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Committee proceedings with respect to the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Hospital Loan Bylaw 1929" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "The City of North Vancouver Hospital Loan Bylaw 1929" be now read a third time.

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

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that a vote of the Electors of the City of North Vancouver be taken on the 14th day of August 1929, between the hours of 8 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on "The City of North Vancouver Hospital Loan Bylaw 1929" at 56 Lonsdale Avenue, in the City of North Vancouver, and that Geo. S. Shepherd be appointed as Returning Officer to take the vote of the said Electors with the necessary powers in that behalf.

Alderman Bridgman submitted a circular letter, which it was proposed to mail to the ratepayers of the City and District of North Vancouver, giving a brief summary of the Hospital finances and the necessity for submitting a bylaw for \$10,000.00 in each Municipality, to meet the financial obligations in connection with the Hospital undertaking.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the letter as read by the Clerk be approved, and subject to the District Council approving of same, that arrangements be made for printing and circulating the letter amongst the ratepayer without delay.

His Worship the Mayor reported having interviewed Colonel J.P. Fell, as requested by the Council, relative to his willingness to sell to the City a triangular portion of land at the southerly end of Lot 14, Block 10, D.L. 265, for the purpose of straightening and widening Keith Road at the intersection of Bewicke Avenue. The Mayor stated that Colonel Fell had agreed to let the City have the parcel of land desired, as per the dimensions shown on the Engineer's plan of July 13th, 1929, at the reasonable price of \$300 cash.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the report of His Worship the Mayor be adopted, and the land purchased at the price of \$300 cash, the Solicitor and Clerk to prepare and submit to the Council the necessary bylaw and complete the arrangements for the conveyance of the property to the City for Highway purposes.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Engineer make every effort to obtain delivery of the Sanitary Drinking Fountain now on order, and that same be installed for public use at the North Vancouver Ferry Wharf with the least possible delay.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Engineer and the Chief of Police enquire into the cause of delay in the delivery of "Slow" signs cannot be assured in the very near future, consideration must forthwith be given to erecting at a suitable place on the Esplanade, East and West of Lonsdale Avenue, at

a reasonable distance from the cross traffic, Board Signs stating that the driver is nearing cross traffic and must drive slowly.

Alderman Wilson enquired why there was delay in issuing pay cheques to the outside staff for Dominion Day, July 1st, in accordance with the resolution already passed by the Council.

The Engineer stated that the list of outside employees entitled to receive pay for that day in accordance with the Council's resolution had now been prepared and would probably be filed at the Treasurer's office in the morning.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that to expedite these holiday payments to the outside staff, in future the Engineer submit to the Council at the first meeting after the holiday, a list of all employee entitled to receive pay for that day.

Attention was drawn to the bad condition of the street railway crossings, at the following points:

- 1st and Lonsdale Avenue
- 4th and Queensbury Avenue
- 8th and Lonsdale Avenue
- 18th and Lonsdale Avenue
- 22nd and Lonsdale Avenue

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Engineer inspect all of the Street Railway crossings throughout the City and submit a report on same to the Council at the earliest possible date.

Alderman Bridgman enquired what had been done towards continuing negotiations with a view to amalgamation of the City with the City of Vancouver as approved by a majority vote of the ratepayers at the January elections.

It was pointed out that in the two interviews already obtained with the Vancouver City Council on the subject, that body had taken the Stand that there was too much work on their hands for this year in consolidating the recent amalgamation with South Vancouver and Point Grey to properly consider the matter of amalgamation with the City of North Vancouver, it was also agreed that the matter of adjusting this City's assessment had to be finally settled before formal discussion could take place between the Councils on the subject. The matter was not being lost sight of, but in effect the Vancouver City Council had taken the stand that they be given time to consolidate the recent amalgamation with the Municipalities on the South shore.

Messrs. Newson and Turnbull, representing the National Machinery Co. of Vancouver, were present, and on motion were heard on the subject of the performance of different types of road construction machinery which in their opinion would be most suitable for the City's requirements at this time, and which they would gladly demonstrate without obligation or cost to the City.

Discussion revealed that the purchase of a Tractor, Pull Grader, Scarifier, and a Road Grader or Plough, as against a power Grader or maintainer should be seriously considered at this time.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Board of Works Committee arrange for a demonstration of the Road Construction Machinery referred to by the representatives of the National Machinery Company at the earliest possible date, it being clearly understood that the demonstration does not bind the City to any expense or obligation to purchase.

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

Alderman Bridgman was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor