

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD IN THE OFFICE OF MR. A. AITKEN GRAY, CITY SOLICITOR, 84 LONSDALE AVENUE, NORTH VANCOUVER, ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 1929, AT 5:00 P.M.

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

His Worship Mayor Morden in opening the meeting stated that Mr. Sykes, Secretary of the North Vancouver Board of Trade, had telephoned him on Saturday afternoon the 7th instant, advising that the persons who are considering the financing of a Cotton Mill on the North Shore, as proposed by L.M. Beytagh and Associates were in Vancouver, and that Mr. Sykes on behalf of the Board had suggested that the Council pass a resolution favouring the scheme, as had already been done by the Local Board of Trade, in the expectation that it would give Mr. Beytagh and his associates a better standing in discussing the project with the representatives of the financial interests.

Following discussion it was moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved:

“That this Council views with favour the suggested establishment of a Cotton Mill on the North Shore and undertakes to do what it can toward furthering the project through a Committee comprised of His Worship Mayor Morden, Alderman Vance and Alderman Anderson who are hereby authorized to render what service they can”.

From the City Solicitor enclosing a copy of letter received by him from the Administration and Trust Company, Vancouver, who carry the public liability insurance on City streets and sidewalks. the letter in the main basis deals with the conditions that prevailed at the approach to the residence of M.J. Atcheson, 426 – 14th Street West, and further advises that following an examination of the concrete sidewalks that was constructed on that street during the presto year, it is found that dangerous conditions exist in the approaches to many of the residences which in the Company’s opinion constitute pitfalls and traps.

The Company requested that the City must immediately take steps to have these dangerous conditions removed so as to prevent further accidents and liability suits.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Engineer report at the Council meeting on Monday, December 16th, on the number of privately constructed walks affected by the construction of the concrete sidewalk on 14th Street, and that in view of the statement made by the Engineer to the meeting “that there are a large number of walks throughout the City in the same condition”, the Solicitor and Engineer submit a joint report to the Council on the legal and engineering aspects suggesting the best course for the City to pursue in application to the general situation.

From Elisabeth Humphreys, Hon. Secretary of the Red Cross Society suggesting that a list of those persons who are to receive Christmas Hampers be obtained from all City Organizations and kept at the City Hall on file for checking purposes by the Officers of the respective organizations.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that as a very considerable list is already available at the office of the Elks Christmas Cheer Fund (which list also includes cases receiving City Relief), the Secretary of the Red Cross Society be notified that Alderman Cartwright is to arrange at an early date for a consultation between all the organizations on the North Shore who are arranging to distribute Hampers at Christmas.

The Solicitor stated he had been advised that suit was to be entered by the Solicitors for Nick Cosco, Contractor, if the balance due on his Sewer Contract with the City amounting to \$714.23 was not paid forthwith. Mr. Gray recommending that the account be settled by the City in full.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque in favour of Nick Cosco for \$714.23 being the balance due the Contractor on the 27th Street Sewer Contract.

Bids referred to the meeting from the Ferry Superintendent for an Electric Foghorn from the under noted firms were on motion of Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance referred to the Ferry Committee with Power to act.

The North Shore Electric	\$280.00
Phillips-Henderson Co. (Electro-Motor Ringing Bell)	\$156.00
Received later: Graham Electric co.	\$110.00

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that His Worship the Mayor be a Committee of one that with power in the matter of guarding against further encroachment on the public service by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company It being agreed that if any further changes are contemplated by the Company in addition to those already agreed to by the Council, the City fully expects to be consulted before any changes become effective, and equal consideration must be given to the needs of this community in relation to other sections of the lower mainland served by the Company.

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Signed: G.H. Morden, Mayor