

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL ON MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH 1930 AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

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

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor at the Annual General meeting of the Library Board, held in an adjoining room, on motion of Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Wilson, Alderman Bridgman was appointed to the Chair pro-tem.

The Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council, held on January 6th 1930, and the Minutes of an adjourned meeting of the Council, held on January 13th 1930, copies of which had previously been furnished to each member of the Council, were taken as read, and on motion of Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Cartwright adopted.

The Clerk submitted the Certificate of the Returning Officer, giving the result of the Municipal Election, held on the 16th day of January 1930. Also the Certificate showing the result of the voting on the "City of North Vancouver Town Planning Loan By-law 1929".

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Certificate and the Report of the Election be received and minuted.

The following were elected:

Geo. H. Morden	MAYOR (acclamation)
J. Loutet, W.I. Wilson, and C. Cartwright	ALDERMEN
Donald MacLean	COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
M.S. McDowell, W.H. Parkin, T.S. Brown, And F. MacLachlan	SCHOOL TRUSTEES

"The City of North Vancouver Town Planning Loan By-law 1929" was defeated, not having received a majority of the votes polled, over and above the necessary three-fifths of the total of the votes polled.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From W.A. Tolmie & Co. Chartered Accountants, Vancouver, submitting the Annual report and Revenue and Expenditure account of the North Vancouver General Hospital for the year ended December 31st 1929.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Clerk write the Hospital Board drawing attention to the following clause in the Auditor's Report, which the Council consider is not in accordance with good accounting practice.

"The Patients' Ledge has not been agreed with the Controlling Account in the General Ledger since I reconciled it at 31 August 1929."

Also that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the firm of W.A. Tolmie & Co. for their valued services as Honorary Auditors of the Hospital Accounts for the year 1929.

From the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co. requesting the Council to pass a resolution appointing a representative with Power to Vote on the City shares at the Annual meeting of the Company.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that:

"Alderman E.H. Bridgman be appointed to represent the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver and to vote in respect of the Corporation's share at the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co. to be held on Friday, the 24th day of January 1930, and that in the alternative Mayor G.H. Morden be appointed to represent and vote on the shares of the Corporation.

From W.F. Smith Ltd. 42 Lonsdale Avenue, applying for a renewal of the lease for a period of three years, at a rental of \$50 monthly of the Refreshment and Newsstand on the City Ferries.

The Clerk read a paragraph from the expiring lease which provides that:

"In the event of the Lessee continuing in occupation of the said premises after the determination of term hereby created, the tenancy by such holding over shall at the option of the Lessor be deemed a monthly tenancy and determinable accordingly and not a yearly tenancy"

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the application be referred to the Ferry Committee, with a recommendation that a monthly tenancy only be granted, until such time as the present Ferry situation becomes clearer.

From A.C. Penland, 3960 36th Avenue West, Vancouver, requesting that a concrete sidewalk be constructed as part of the 1930 programme, on the South side of the 400 Block, 13th Street East.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to the incoming Council.

From the Building Inspector, with reference to obtaining an expression of opinion from the Council, on the advisability of granting an application for a permit to construct an

addition of two living rooms at the rear of the building on Lonsdale Avenue, known as "The Sugar Bowl Restaurant".

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that a permit be issued on the Inspector's responsibility, in accordance with the requirements of the Building By-law, and a request be made through the Inspector to the Builders that the job be done in a manner that will harmonize with the existing Building.

His Worship the Mayor took the Chair at this stage of the proceedings.

From W.J. Bingham, Chief Constable, Vancouver, in regard to Police protection on Columbia Avenue, and the thoroughfare leading to the Vancouver Ferry Terminal. Chief Bingham stated that in addition to the usual police patrol, he had arranged for two plain-clothes men to patrol the district from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. and that the officers would give special attention to the traffic going to and coming from the Ferries.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the communication be received and filed, and the thanks of the Council conveyed to Chief Bingham for his prompt and satisfactory action.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Ferry Superintendent, be instructed to warn drivers of vehicles delivering newspapers at the Vancouver Terminal, to drive more carefully when on the Ferry approaches as the speed now being maintained by most of the wagons is a danger to other traffic as well as themselves.

From the Secretary of the Horticultural Society conveying the thanks of the Association to the Mayor and members of the Council for their kindly cooperation in the activities of the Society during the past year.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the communication be received and filed.

From the First Church of Christ Scientist requesting permission to place a notice at the Vancouver Ferry Wharf to read as follows:

"The Christian Science Literature box has been removed from here by order of the North Vancouver City Council."

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be received and filed.

Advice of the endorsement of the North West International Association's Town Planning Resolution by the

City of Prince George

City of Cranbrook

District of Oak Bay (further information required before expressing an opinion)

District of Penticton (should be taken up through the U.B.C.M. at regular convention)

Received and filed.

From the Secretary of the St. Andrew's & Caledonian Society, North Vancouver, inviting the Mayor and members of the Council to attend the Annual Burns' Supper in the K.P. Hall, Saturday, January 25th, 1930 at 7:15 p.m. Tickets \$1.00 each.

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

From the Deputy Minister and Public Works Engineer, Victoria, acknowledging receipt of a letter addressed to the Hon. N.S. Lougheed, advising that the Minister is presently on the East, and that the subject matter would be laid before him on his return.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the communication be referred to the incoming Council.

From the Secretary to the Prime Minister of Canada, acknowledging receipt of a letter from the City of North Vancouver, advocating the calling of a conference of representatives of Dominion, Provincial, and Municipal authorities to deal with the unemployment situation. The Prime Minister had noted the representations and assured the Council that they will receive the consideration of the Government.

Received and filed.

From the Solicitor reporting at length on the three agreements with the B.C. Electric Railway Co. covering the Lighting Franchise, the Power Franchise, and the Tramway Franchise, stating that the offer to cooperate with the City of Vancouver in investigating the Cheakamus would not affect the existing Franchise with the B.C. Electric. The troublesome negotiations would be those which took place in the event of an alternative source of supply becoming available.

Moved by Alderman Vance, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that as Press reports indicate an active development of the Cheakamus Power Site is a long way off, the communication be filed for further reference.

From Kathleen Tener, 12 Majestic Apartments, Vancouver, advising six months arrears in rent by Mr. Bedford on the premises owned by her at 2539 Lonsdale Avenue, requesting that the City pay the rent or make other arrangements for housing the Bedfords, who she is advised are in receipt of relief from the City.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the Council cannot accept the responsibility of paying the rent for persons who are in receipt of relief from the City. The renting of premises is usually a private arrangement between the Landlord and tenant, and the owner must find his own remedies as provided by law.

From A.E. Ames & Co., Vancouver offering City of North Vancouver and Canadian Drydock Subsidy Bonds for Sinking Fund Investment. Also enclosing a copy of a legal opinion that the Subsidy Bonds are a Trustee Investment.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the offering be referred to the incoming Council.

The Clerk requested authority to call for tenders for the removal of the Hotel Building, the long building at the rear parallel with 1st Street, and sundry smaller buildings attached thereto situated in Block 165.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that bids be called for the buildings to be pulled down and removed. Tenders to retain for themselves the Use, Sale, or Disposal of all material salvaged, and also undertake to remove all debris and rubbish arising from the building being demolished, from the grounds within a period not exceeding six months.

From Mary E. Stevens, corner of 3rd Street and St. David's Avenue, complaining of the smoke nuisance being created by the Burrard Laundry, also advising the Council that a City Relief case Mrs. Bagot is in arrears with rent to her.

The Fire Chief said he had visited the laundry premises following complaints, and found the trouble was largely due to the use of coal instead of wood.

The owners stated to him that they were negotiating a new contract for wood, and as soon as this was completed the use of coal would be largely discontinued.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the Clerk write the management of the Laundry requesting that steps be immediately taken to abate the smoke nuisance, as a neighbourhood pest was being created. In the matter of rent, as in the Bedford case, the City cannot accept any responsibility for rent due by indigents.

From the Fire Chief recommending that promotion of William Thomson to the rank of Captain be confirmed, his service proving satisfactory during the probation period.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the recommendation of the Fire Chief in regard to a captaincy for W. Thomson be adopted.

From "Electrical News and Engineer" Toronto, stating that in a special issue they are to publish facts concerning the Province of British Columbia, and would appreciate general information regarding the City of North Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that the Clerk condense useful facts concerning the City and forward to the publishers for publication.

From the Canadian Transport Co. Ltd. complaining about the sealing of Fire Hydrants at the Japan Wharf, asserting that as the result of the hydrants being sealed they have become frozen up and cracked, and in their present condition are not available in case of emergency.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Engineer be given power to act in immediately remedying the situation complained of, and that a report be submitted to the Council by the Engineer dealing with the general position of all Fire Hydrants on the water front.

From Mrs. A. Wiser, 562 Keith Road West, requesting that she be moved into a house owned by the City, as her father Geo. Oscar cannot pay the rent in the present location.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Comptroller advise the Oscar family that the City cannot accept any responsibility for keep a roof over their heads where the father and son are living idly on the premises, and that the Chief of Police follow up the Oscar family to see that a serious effort is being made by them to obtain work. Consideration will be given to the case of Mrs. Wiser when the occasion arises.

The Clerk reported that it was true that the City had been advised by the Attorney-General's Department that the amount available on distribution of Liquor Profits would not be less under the new agreement than the amount distributed last year. The decrease of \$1683.37 in the December cheque was largely due to a decrease in the average of the school attendance from the previous year, and in a much lesser degree to the new method of distribution.

The correspondence was filed for reference.

TENDERS

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Vance and resolved that tenders for 300 copies Annual Report and Financial Statement be opened.

Whereupon the tenders were opened.

The Review	\$2.55 per page
Shoemaker, McLean & Veitch	1.85 per page
North Shore Press	1.65 per page

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the lowest tender be accepted viz: that of the North Shore Press Ltd. at the price of \$1.65 per page.

DUE ACCOUNTS

Reports and recommendations were submitted from the Chairmen of the Finance, Police, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Health and Parks Committees on due accounts and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the accounts in the following amounts:

Finance		\$504.73
School		416.51
Police		87.12
Ferries		2354.62
Board of Works	\$1956.98 531.73	2488.71
Fire & Light		97.78
Waterworks	191.75 71.18	262.93
Parks		65.24

Health	454.47	
	262.62	
	141.12	858.21

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Alderman Anderson reported on behalf of the Special Committee, that interviewed the officials of the Canadian National Steamship Co. on Monday, January 13th, relative to the provision of accommodation at their new docks for the City Ferries. The Steamship officials had expressed a willingness to take up with their Company headquarters and press for the provision of a 30 foot roadway for ferry traffic the entire length of the Dock, a special waiting room of adequate size at the North end of the Dock, and generally to arrange their construction in a manner capable of handling the ferry business with a minimum of inconvenience.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the progress report of the Committee be received and minuted and the outcome of the representations to the Company's head office be followed up diligently by the Committee.

Alderman Vance and Alderman Bridgman who represented the City at the Inter-Municipal Conference on the unemployment question reported that out of the many resolutions considered, 23 in all had been passed, dealing with early action, by the cooperation of Government and Public bodies, in providing work to meet the needs of the people. The restriction of subsidized immigration, the establishment of some form of national unemployment insurance, and health insurance schemes, amendment of the Minimum Wage and Workmen's Compensation Acts etc. The Aldermen were agreed that the problem was International in scope, and the feeling of the meeting was that the subject could only be dealt with in a permanent form by a World conference.

The Clerk reminded the Council, that on account of the serious turn taken in Mr. Gray's illness, it would be necessary to arrange for a Solicitor to represent the City at the court of Revision to hear complaints against the Assessment Roll of the City as prepared by the Assessor. The Court sits on Saturday February 8th 1930.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the matter be left in the hands of the Mayor and Comptroller to arrange.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the erection of a suitable board fence on the East side of the North Vancouver Ferry Landing stage be referred to the Ferry Committee with power. The subject of erecting the fence being to screen from the public view an exposed heap of rubbish and old material placed there by the Wallace Shipyards. When erected it could be used as advertising space. It was reported that the Great West Coal and Supplies Ltd. had made formal application to the Ferry advertising manager for a portion of the advertising space that would be created by the erection of the fence.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Council express its appreciation of the services rendered during the past year by

Alderman Vance, his association with his colleagues on the Council had always been pleasant and agreeable, and he had proved at all times a hard and consistent worker in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the City, and the interests of the ratepayers.

Alderman Vance in reply said that the Municipal work interested him and his experience along that line had taught him that the key to success was teamwork. He reciprocated the good wishes of his colleagues, and as a ratepayer he would be quite satisfied to leave the business of the City in the hands of the 1930 Council, to whom he wished a prosperous and successful year.

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned.

G. H. Morden

MAYOR