

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23RD 1930 AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

His Worship Mayor Morden
Alderman Anderson
Alderman Bridgman
Alderman Cartwright
Alderman Loutet
Alderman White

The Clerk read the notice of meeting as posted for a period of more than twenty-four hours before the meeting took place, stating the day, hour, place and business of the meeting.

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The Seasons greetings to Council were received from the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, the Provincial Secretary, His Worship the Mayor, The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vancouver, W. F. Smith Ltd. and numerous other trade concerns and ordered filed.

A letter was read from the Solicitor dealing with the By-laws fixing assessments of certain lands on the waterfront, drawing attention to a difference in the by-law dealing with the Canadian Transport Co. property in respect of the clause providing for 75% of the workmen been made to the effect that the clause did not apply to longshore labour engaged in loading and unloading ships and that in the agreement and by-law a clerical alteration should be made so as to provide that it is the Company's interests in the improvements which is being assessed, the Company being lessee from the Crown and not the owners of the improvements.

Alderman Loutet referred to an advertisement from the North Vancouver Industrial Development Association that appeared in the North Shore Press of December 19th in which it had been stated that "excessive taxation of industries on the North Shore was retarding the progress and prosperity of the Community, and could only result in rendering the present financial problem more acute". Alderman Loutet declared that this form of advertising was likely to defeat the object the Association had set out to achieve and in his opinion was totally unwarranted.

Mr. Whittle in reply said the advertisement referred to represented the considered opinion of the Association, but was certainly not meant to retard the locating of industries on the North Shore. On the contrary if the proposed By-laws carried it was the purpose of the Association to use its best efforts to encourage the development of the waterfront by getting more industries to locate here.

At this stage of the proceedings Alderman Loutet asked to be excused from the meeting on account of a previous engagement.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that this Council proceed to consider the agreements and by-laws dealing with Fixed Assessments from the member concerns of the North Vancouver Industrial Development Association.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the By-laws dealing with Fixed Assessments on the property of the Imperial Oil Co. Ltd. and the leased property of the Canadian Bitumuls Co. Ltd. receive two readings at this meeting of Council subject to wired acceptance of the agreements and advice of the names of the signing officers being received from the Eastern head offices of the Company on or before the time the Council proceeds to give the by-laws third reading.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council a By-law entitled "C. H. CATES AND SONS LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the By-law entitled "C. H. CATES AND SONS LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a By-law entitled "VANCOUVER OIL LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the By-law entitled "VANCOUVER OIL LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a By-law entitled "IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the By-law entitled "IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a By-law entitled "NORTHERN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the By-law entitled "NORTHERN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a By-law entitled "CANADIAN TRANSPORT COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the By-law entitled "CANADIAN TRANSPORT COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council a By-law entitled "MIDLAND PACIFIC TERMINAL LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the By-law entitled "MIDLAND PACIFIC TERMINAL ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council a By-law entitled "CANADIAN BITUMULS COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that

the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the By-law entitled "CANADIAN BITUMULS COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council a By-law entitled "GREAT WEST COAL AND SUPPLIES LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the By-law entitled "GREAT WEST COAL AND SUPPLIES LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that in as much as the Burrard Dry Dock Co. Ltd. and Vancouver Dry Dock and Salvage Co. Ltd. on which the works and undertakings of the North Shore Dry Dock Co. Ltd., are situated already enjoy a fixed assessment on the lands occupied by their industries, which expire in the years 1936 and 1937 respectively, the paragraphs dealing with assessment on lands be struck from the agreements and By-laws and the Council proceed to give two readings to a By-law fixing a definite sum to be assessed on the improvements only.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council a By-law entitled "NORTH SHORE DRY DOCK COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law received two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that the By-law entitled "NORTH SHORE DRY DOCK COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a By-law entitled "BURRARD DRY DOCK COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" and that the said By-law receive two readings at this meeting of Council and that the occasion for such two readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the By-law entitled "BURRARD DRY DOCK COMPANY LIMITED ASSESSMENT BY-LAW 1930" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time and referred to Committee.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the By-law referring to a fixed assessment on certain land in Block 173 and 175 owned by DAN KING be laid on the table until the next Special meeting of Council when a report in writing shall be tabled from the Assessor dealing with the land portion of the property owned by DAN KING and the Water lots said to be under lease to the Vancouver Pile Driving and Contracting Co. Ltd.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Assessor check and submit a report in writing to the Council, showing that after examination he is fully satisfied that the description of the respective properties recited in the various agreements and by-laws are correct and in order and further submit a separate report showing the actual difference in the amount of taxes receivable based on the 1930 assessment and rates and the proposed assessment as fixed in the By-laws based on the 1930 rates.

A letter was read from B.C. Motor Transportation Ltd. in respect to the proposed cab stand North of the Weigh Scales at the Vancouver Ferry Terminal, expressing their willingness to erect illuminated and other direction signs together with direct telephone connection and keep the stands covered at all times to give service in consideration of permission to use the stand for a period of twelve months without charge.

Alderman Anderson reported that the Ferry Committee were in accord with the location and the proposed arrangements excepting the period of time to be granted without a charge being made, which in the opinion of the Committee should not exceed six calendar months.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Bridgman and resolved that a concession be granted to B.C. Motor Transportation Ltd. to operate "Gray Cabs" for a period of six months free of charge and after that period on a rental basis to be agreed upon from the site North of the Weigh scales at the Vancouver Terminal – details of signs and location to be approved by the Engineer and an agreement with the customary cancellation clause between the Company and the City be drawn by the Solicitor.

The Solicitor expressed the opinion that it would be unwise to proceed with the consideration of "THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER FERRY LOAN BY-LAW 1930" with two members of the Council absent and its not having been specifically stated as an item of business in the notice of calling the meeting.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that a Special meeting of the Council be called for Monday, December 29th 1930 at 8 p.m. to consider the "The City of North Vancouver Ferry Loan By-law 1930" the eleven Fixed assessment By-laws read at this meeting, The Town Planning Loan By-law 1930, The City Officials By-law 1930, and any other general business which it may be necessary to transact before the end of the current year.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that Mr. Geo. W. Stackhouse be invited to submit in writing the verbal report given at the meeting of Council held on December 15th last dealing with the estimated cost of building a Steel boat on the 1922 plans with certain modifications together with his final estimate of the respective costs of building a wooden or steel ferry.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Clerk get in touch with Officials of the Burrard Dry Dock Co. Ltd. and the North Shore Dry Dock Co. Ltd. and ascertain if they are agreeable to a fixed assessment on improvements only – a fixed assessment on lands under the present agreement and by-laws having been eliminated by resolution of the Council – following consent new agreements and by-laws be prepared and submitted to the Council at the next Special meeting.

Moved by Alderman Bridgman, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that this meeting of Council do now adjourn.

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 10:25 P.M.

E. H. Bridgman
ACTING-MAYOR