

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL ON MONDAY, JANUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> 1931 AT 8:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:**

Alderman Anderson  
Alderman Bridgman  
Alderman Cartwright  
Alderman Loutet  
Alderman White  
Alderman Wilson

The Clerk conveyed the regrets of His Worship the Mayor at being unable to attend the meeting of Council on account of another engagement representing the City at the annual meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that Alderman E. H. Bridgman be appointed to the Chair.

The Minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 1931, and the Minutes of an adjourned meeting of Council held on Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 1931, together with the Minutes of an adjourned meeting of Council, held on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> 1931, copies of which had previously been furnished to each member of the Council, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

Certificates of the Returning Officer setting forth the results of the Municipal Election held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1931, together with the results of the votes of the Electors on eleven by-laws, were read to the meeting and on motion of Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman White ordered minuted.

The Auditor's report was read and the Financial Statement of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Co. together with the Manager's report for the period ended December 31<sup>st</sup> 1930 submitted, and on motion of Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Wilson filed for reference.

The Auditor's report was read on the books and accounts of the Board of School Trustees for the year ended December 31<sup>st</sup> 1930, together with a request that the Council authorize the inclusion of the detailed audited statement in the City's annual published statement for the year 1930.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the report be filed for reference and published in the City's annual report in accordance with the practice of former years.

From the Canadian National Steamships with further reference to the disputed account from the McKenzie Barge and Derrick Co. Ltd. for work done in altering the ferry dock anchor chains, in amount \$543.92.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the correspondence be laid over for further study and report by the Ferry Committee.

From the Registrar, County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for By-law number 1254 entitled:

“CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER TEMPORARY ADVANCES (LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION) BY-LAW NO. 1 1931”  
RECEIVED AND FILED.

From the Fire Chief recommending that N. T. Read and D. Cameron be permanently appointed as members of the City Fire Department – their services during the three months period of probation having proved satisfactory.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Chief's recommendation be adopted and the appointments be and are hereby confirmed.

From Jean Isabel Tero, 306 25<sup>th</sup> Street West, requesting the grading and removal of rock from the 200 foot boulevard in front of her property on the north side of 25<sup>th</sup> Street.

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

From the Engineer reporting on the purchase of a trench pump for sewer connection purposes.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be laid on the table pending report on the Board of Works pump from Mr. McCready, Board of Works Superintendent.

The Clerk reported that the yearly Indemnity Bonds for Caroline May Wheeler and Arthur Dickinson, were due for renewal, and requested the pleasure of the Council therewith.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the matter be left in the hands of the Clerk for adjustment to cover the new incumbents of the respective offices.

From the Solicitor with reference to the application made to the Department of Public Works for the approval of plan and site of Floating leads for the City Ferries on the

Vancouver side, advising that the Canadian National Steamships have entered an objection against the plans being approved.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the communication be referred to the Ferry Committee, Solicitor and Engineer for requisite action.

From W. A. Attwell, 308 27<sup>th</sup> Street East, acknowledging receipt of the Council's communication in regard to a complaint made by some of the unemployed concerning foreman T. Burton, assuring their future co-operation and best services.  
RECEIVED AND FILED.

From the Ferry Superintendent submitting a list of thirty-seven names for the position of ticket-seller rendered vacant through the removal of Arthur Dickinson by death.

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

From the Secretary of the Residents and Ratepayers Association requesting authorization for a recount of the ballots case at the January election in connection with the "CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER FERRY LOAN BY-LAW 1930"

The position of the Council and Returning Officer was stated to the Association's representatives, following which, it was moved by all, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the matter be left in the hands of the Clerk to arrange for a meeting between two representatives from the Residents and Ratepayers Association, Mayor-elect E. H. Bridgman, Mr. Donaghy, City Solicitor, and himself.

The following telegram was read from A. M. Peabody, of the Puget Sound Navigation Co. Seattle.

"Owing to difficulty in connection with extension of charter Ferry Washington our Board thinks it advisable for me to attend your Council meeting tonight to discuss this situation with your membership".

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that discussion with Mr. Peabody take place in Committee of the Whole.

### PETITIONS

From G. Meldrum and six others drawing attention to the bad condition of the roadway in the 600 and 700 blocks Fourteenth Street East.

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

### DUE ACCOUNTS

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

Finance	\$336.00 439.65 925.00	\$1700.65
School		535.56
Police	801.72 25.72	827.44
Board of Works		7374.87
Waterworks		327.97
Fire & Light		1018.15
Health		702.96
Parks		179.95

## MOTIONS

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman White:

“THAT WHEREAS a recent decision of the Privy Council has held that the Act purporting to authorize construction of the Second Narrows Bridge is defective.

AND WHEREAS North Vancouver is now dependent entirely on the ferries for communication with the South shore of Burrard Inlet.

AND WHEREAS the increasing traffic makes it imperative that road and rail connection should be restored as soon as possible.

RESOLVED:

1. THAT we recommend to the Bridge Company that application be made at the approaching Session of the Dominion Parliament for the passage of an Act validating the present bridge and that as prior to the Privy Council decision the Municipalities and the Government believed the bridge to be a valid bridge, there is a moral obligation upon the Government to implement by law the powers which it believed it had conferred upon the Company.

2. THAT in the event of the above Act being passed, in view of the serious loss resulting from the loss of use of the bridge, that every effort be made to restore the 300' span and have the bridge open for traffic as soon as possible.

3. THAT the Government be again asked to enforce strict regulations governing the passage of the Second Narrows by shipping, pending the report of the commission appointed to enquire into the situation.

4. THAT we cooperate with any other bodies seeking to improve navigating conditions at Second Narrows, But, as any changes will require some time to accomplish, that we strongly urge the reopening of the bridge to traffic as of the first importance at the present time.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that copies of the Editorial published in the North Shore Press of Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> on "The Bridge Situation" be struck off and forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the premier of the Province of British Columbia and the responsible Ministers of the interested departments at Ottawa, and Victoria, together with copies of the resolution urging the passage of an act by the Dominion Parliament validating the bridge and the enforcement of regulations governing the passage of the Second Narrows by shipping.

#### BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council, a By-law entitled "VICTORIA PARK EAST, KEITH ROAD AND ST. GEORGE'S AVENUE (LANE SOUTH OF EIGHTH STREET TO THE SOUTH SIDE OF SIXTH STREET) SANITARY SEWER LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION BY-LAW 1931" and that the said By-law received three readings at this meeting of Council, and that the occasion for such three readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure By-law.

Whereupon the By-law was read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the By-law entitled "VICTORIA PARK EAST, KEITH ROAD AND ST. GEORGE'S AVENUE (LANE SOUTH OF EIGHTH STREET TO THE SOUTH SIDE OF SIXTH STREET) SANITARY SEWER LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION BY-LAW 1931" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Committee Proceedings with respect to the By-law entitled "VICTORIA PARK EAST, KEITH ROAD AND ST. GEORGE'S AVENUE (LANE SOUTH OF EIGHTH STREET TO THE SOUTH SIDE OF SIXTH STREET) SANITARY SEWER LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION BY-LAW 1931" be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the By-law entitled "VICTORIA PARK EAST, KEITH ROAD AND ST. GEORGE'S AVENUE (LANE SOUTH OF EIGHTH STREET TO THE SOUTH SIDE OF SIXTH STREET) SANITARY SEWER LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION BY-LAW 1931" be now read a third time.

Whereupon the By-law was read a third time and passed by the Council subject to reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that reconsideration and final passage of "CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER FERRY LOAN BY-LAW 1930" be laid over until a subsequent meeting of Council.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that this Council do now resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Anderson was appointed Chairman.

### IN COMMITTEE

### IN COUNCIL

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

A letter was read from Robert Allan, Consulting Naval Architect, Vancouver, offering his services as a Marine Architect and Supervisor of Work in connection with the proposed Ferry improvements.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman White and resolved that the communication be referred to the 1931 Council.

The Clerk referred to a request for an audit of the books of the Town Planning Commission. It was a comparatively small job and could possibly be arranged for as part of the regular City audit.

Moved by Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that arrangements for the audit be left in the hands of the Clerk.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Paterson who had been engaged to take the place of Mr. Scatterty as temporary clerk on Unemployment Relief Work had not been able to do this work on account of an attack of Neuritis. To keep with Government returns, payrolls

and general work up to date it was imperative that, for a time, another man be secured. Six names were taken from the register of the unemployed and considered.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the position be offered to Mr. H. S. Chambers, 1551 St. Andrew's Avenue, at the prevailing rate of 50 cents per hour – actual working hours.

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

G. H. Morden  
MAYOR.