

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 5th, 1931 AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Mayor E.H. Bridgman
Alderman Anderson
Alderman Brown
Alderman Huggett
Alderman Wilson

The Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council held on Monday, September 21st 1931, together with the minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday September 29th 1931, copies of which had previously been furnished to each member of the Council, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Brown adopted.

The Clerk conveyed the regrets of Alderman Cartwright at being unable to attend on account of sickness and Alderman Loutet on account of his unavoidable absence at Victoria.

Correspondence was Received Read and Dealt with as follows:

From the Registrar of the County Court, Vancouver, being receipt for Bylaw Numbered 1314:

“City of North Vancouver Land Sales Bylaw No.13, 1931”.

RECEIVED AND FILED

From the B.C. Electric Railway Co. applying for the establishment of a five day weekly messenger service on the 3.40 p.m. Ferry from North Vancouver together with a rate for the service to be provided.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to the Ferry Committee with power to act.

From Burns, Walkem & Thomson, Barristers, Vancouver, applying for the conveyance from the City to the Harbour Board of Lot 1, Block 171, D.L. 274 (St. Patrick's Avenue Street End) in order to implement documents already given for registration purposes under the agreement dated July 12, 1926.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to the City Solicitor.

From the Assessor drawing attention to the fact that an official map had never been deposited in the Land Registry Office by the Board of Harbour Commissioners covering the split-up of Blocks 171, 172, 173 and 175 in District Lot 274.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be referred to the City Solicitor to be taken up at the same time as other matters with the Solicitors for the Harbour Board.

From the District of Burnaby forwarding the following resolution passed by that Council on Monday, September 28th.

“That we believe the entire labour costs, to provide for Unemployment Relief should be borne by the Federal Government for the following reasons:

- 1) Unemployment is a national problem and bears with unequal hardship in different parts of Canada and only the Federal Government can equalize this hardship.
- 2) Unemployment imposes greater hardship upon the poor than upon the rich and only the Federal Government has adequate means of taxation to equalize this hardship”

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the communication be laid on the table and the contents discussed at the same time as other matters concerning unemployment.

From the North Vancouver Board of Trade under date of September 24th requesting the Council to press for immediate action on Unemployment.

Moved by Alderman Huggett, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that inasmuch as work had already been started under the terms of the 1931 Agreement, the communication be received and filed.

From the North Vancouver Board of Trade with a view to enlisting the active support of the City Council of Vancouver in the re-establishment of the Second Narrows Bridge.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the request be endorsed and His Worship the Mayor appointed a Committee of one to act in the matter.

From McTaggart Cowan, 2507 Jones Ave., applying for the widening of Jones Avenue between 25th and 26th Streets.

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

From James Torrance, 164-23rd Street West, applying to have the brush cut in the lane at the rear of his property between Chesterfield and Western Avenues.

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

From James Mason, 568-24th Street West, reiterating a former application to have a lane opened in Block 211-A, from View Street Easterly to Larson Road.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the application be referred to the Engineer for an estimate of the cost.

From Harold Wilson, 138 21st Street West, applying for permission to cut fallen trees and stumps lying on City property at the eastern end of 23rd Street.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

From Wm. Huxtable, Superannuated Ferry employee, applying for a free pass on the City ferries renewable yearly during his lifetime.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that Mr. Huxtable be advised that the Council cannot see its way clear to grant free passes to employees who have been retired from service.

From the Burrard Drydock Co. Ltd. applying for free passes on the City Ferries to Mr. H.A. Wallace and Mr. John Lockhart, in consideration for the privilege of mooring the Ferries on the Company's Waterlot.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to the Ferry Committee for report.

From Arthur C. Little, Echo Towing Co. suggesting a flat monthly rate of \$20.00 or \$25.00 for rental and wharfage privileges at the Vancouver Ferry Terminal during the winter months, instead of the present combination of charges based on rent, tonnage and wharfage.

Moved by Alderman Huggett, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the application be referred to the Ferry Committee for recommendation and report.

From Lennie and McMaster, Barristers, Vancouver, in regard to the non-issuance of a Tax Certificate by the Collector covering Lots 9 to 15 inclusive, Block 178, D.L. 271.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be referred to the Solicitor and Collector for attention.

From the North Vancouver Ratepayers' Association:

- 1) That the Council be asked to amend the prepayment of taxes bylaw to allow of payments of \$5.00 and upwards, at any time from the 1st of the current year until the tax due date in August.

- 2) Requesting information as to whether the City had in any way assisted in the financing of the New Bowling Club Pavilion, and if so, to what extent.
- 3) How many men comprised the present North Vancouver Police Force, and what was the annual total cost of such Force. Also what would be the cost of policing the City with a similar number of Provincial policemen. We would also appreciate information as to what would North Vancouver City's proportion of the cost be in the event of the three North Shore Municipalities succeeding in proposed negotiations to have this policing done by the Provincial police.
- 4) That the Council be asked if the City had contributed to Mr. Wardlaw's present publicity tour, if so, to what extent.
- 5) That the Secretary be instructed to write the three North Shore Municipal Councils and the Board of Trade urging upon them the advisability of once more pressing the Provincial Government to complete the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from Squamish to Whytecliffe and North Vancouver as we consider this a very opportune time, believing that the completion of the P.G.E. would be a tremendous lever in respect to having the Second Narrows Bridge repaired. Also as an unemployment measure, the project should commend itself.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the resolution numbered on (1) be referred to the 1932 Council, and two (2) three (3) and four (4) to the Clerk for reply, and five (5) to Committee of the Whole.

From the Engineer recommending that a Water meter be installed on the two-inch water supply pipeline to Horne Bros. Shingle Mill and water charges at the usual bylaw rates be made.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the recommendation be adopted and the installation of a meter proceeded with.

From the Fire Chief submitting the departmental report for the month ended September.

Alarms	3
Total Risk	\$4,000.00
Total Insurance	<u>\$4,000.00</u>
Total Loss	\$ 300.00

FILED

TENDERS

VANCOUVER ISLAND COAL

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that tenders be opened.

Whereupon the following tenders were opened.

North Vancouver Cartage & Taxi Co. Ltd. – Coal as per advertisement \$9.65 per ton

A.1. Fuel Co. Nanaimo-Wellington Lump \$10.25 per ton

Evans, Coleman & Evans Ltd. Nanaimo-Wellington Lump \$10.00 per ton
Douglas Lump 9.25 per ton

Moved by Alderman Brown, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that lowest tender be accepted, namely that of Evans, Coleman and Evans Ltd. for Douglas Lump at the quoted price of \$9.25 per ton.

DUE ACCOUNTS: Reports and recommendations of the Finance, School, Police, Ferry, Board of Works, Fire & Light, Waterworks, Parks and Health Committees 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	1,033.50 1,864.25	\$2,897.75
Police		\$1,319.45
School		\$14,600.29
Ferry	7,421.66 6,890.86	\$14,312.52
Board of Works	2,100.55 267.46 267.20	\$2,635.21
Fire and Light		\$2,039.00
Waterworks	788.66 153.19	\$1,097.05
Health	267.37 140.00 141.54	\$548.91
Parks	631.05 85.60 82.31	\$798.96

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the following report of the Finance Committee be adopted:-

Messrs. Crehan Mouat & Co. Auditors submitted a Special report dealing with the preparation of the annual accounts for 1931, the revision of certain books and records maintained in the Treasurer's office and the necessity of conforming with the provisions of the "Municipal Act" in respect of the use of Sinking Fund collections.

Mrs. Crehan and Mr. Lees spoke to the report.

RECOMMEND that the recommendations of the auditors be carried out insofar as possible and that the practice of merging Sinking Funds with General rate Funds be discontinued and further that the Finance Committee, Auditors and Treasurer consult on the changes in book accounts and report back to a meeting to be arranged by the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Note: A meeting has been arranged for the afternoon of Tuesday, October 13th next at 4 p.m.

RECOMMEND that the bill from the Palace Hotel in amount \$64.00 for sixteen days keep for the wife and family of the late David McMaster be left in the hands of the Clerk for settlement, at a reduced rate if possible, and if more favourable terms cannot be made at the Hotel and effort be made to place the family in a private home until such time as action is forthcoming on the application to the Mothers' Pension Board.

RECOMMEND that the bill amounting to \$400.00 of Messrs. W.A. Tolmie, Chartered Accountants, for services rendered in connection with Local Improvement costs from the period 1st of September 1911 to December 1st 1930, be left in the hands of the Committee with power to act.

RECOMMEND that the application of F. Ivor Jackson for a reduction in the monthly rent of the premises at 128 13th Street East, from \$30.00 to \$25.00 be left in the hands of the Committee with power to act.

RECOMMEND that the applications of Mrs. Anna Holtz, 116 1st Street East, for consideration in the matter of license fees and water rates, owing to vacancies and inability to rent the premises, be considered in Committee of the Whole.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the following report of the Ferry Committee be adopted:-

RECOMMEND that the amended records of certain Ferry employees be considered in Committee of the Whole.

RECOMMEND that the Solicitor take up with the C.P.R. and C.N.R. Railways the question of establishing a right-of-way over and North of the C.P.R. tracks between Gore Avenue and the proposed Ferry parking triangle.

And that a night service showing the under noted traffic between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. from September 20th to 30th be further studied by the Committee.

	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>Passengers</u>
From North Vancouver	104	189
From Vancouver	164	299

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the following report of the Board of Works Committee be adopted:-

RECOMMEND that Mr. J. McCready's voluntary offer to accept a monthly reduction of \$10.00 on his salary as and from October 1st 1931 be approved.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the following report of the Fire & Light Committee be adopted:-

RECOMMEND that the provisions of suitable accommodation for the Ambulance be left in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee with power to act, if it be found necessary to take under advisement the obtaining of a release from the V.O.N. for the present building, also that repairs on the ambulance be and are hereby approved up to a sum of \$25.00.

RECOMMEND that the Chairmen of the Finance and Fire and Light Committees arrange a schedule of charges for the use of the ambulance preferably in proportion to the distance traveled from the Fire Hall.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the following report of the Parks Committee be adopted:

RECOMMEND that the application of J.M. Pennycook, on behalf of the North Shore Juvenile Football Association for alterations on the playing field and the provision of dressing accommodation at the Recreation Park I the Easterly part of Block 216, be referred to the Chairman of the committee and the Clerk for necessary adjustment with the School Board.

RECOMMEND that the use of Mahon Park be granted to the North Shore College as in former years, Mondays and Fridays, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 11a.m. to 12 noon.

RECOMMEND that the appointment of a Caretaker at the Cemetery be laid over on account of the absence of the Chairman of the Committee.

MOTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the appreciation of Council be extended to Mr. S.W. Dench and other retiring employees for the many years of valuable service rendered the City prior to Superannuation.

Alderman Wilson referring to the estimated Ferry profits of \$53,536.28 at August 31st last wished it to be clearly understood that accruals for dock expenditures and a substantial amount of the \$14,000.00 Ferry warrants passed at the same meeting had not been taken into consideration when the estimated profit was declared.

BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Huggett seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Eighteenth Street (Lonsdale to 240 Feet West of St. George's) Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction Bylaw 1931" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Brown seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal No.1315.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "Chesterfield Avenue (14th to 15th) Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction Bylaw 1931" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal No.1316.

Moved by Alderman Wilson seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Fences Regulation Bylaw 1931" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Brown seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal No.1317.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver 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 Debenture Bylaw 1931" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Huggett seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal No.1318.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Seventeenth Street North (Lonsdale to Ridgeway) Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Debenture Bylaw 1931" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Brown seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the said Bylaw as read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal No.1319.

Moved by Alderman Anderson seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that "The City of North Vancouver Waterworks Regulations Bylaw 1921, Amendment Bylaw 1931" be laid over to enable the Waterworks and Finance Committee s to further study the Engineer's letter in regard to the amended changes for water services and report on same at the next regular meeting of Council.

Moved by Alderman Huggett seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that this Council do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Huggett was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 10.10 p.m.

JACK LOUTET
ACTING MAYOR