

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 1931 AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

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

The Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council held on Monday, October 19th 1931, copies of which had previously been furnished to each member of the Council, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Loutet seconded by Alderman Cartwright adopted.

Correspondence was Received Read and Dealt with as follows:

From the Secretary to Hon. Premier Tolmie, acknowledging letter in regard to building the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from Whytecliffe to Squamish and completing the line from Whytecliffe to North Vancouver.

RECEIVED AND FILED

From the local lodge B.P.O.E. advising that a Billiard Tournament in aid of the Christmas Cheer Fund is to commence at 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 12th next, and inviting the Mayor and Council to take part in the Tournament which is open to the North Shore.

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

From Houlden and Germyn, Lynn Valley, applying for a contract to install Christmas decorations on Lonsdale Avenue or any other City street according to a design they have submitted.

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

From the Armistice Day committee inviting His Worship the Mayor on behalf of the City to lay a wreath at the Memorial Service to be held at the Cenotaph, Victoria Park, on Sunday, November 8th next at 2.30 p.m.

The Mayor signified his intention of being present on that occasion.

From the Secretary to the Board of Police Commissioners in regard to the adoption of a standard type of "Hexagon" shaped traffic sign throughout the City.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Engineer and Chief of Police confer regarding the type of sign proposed and the locations where traffic signs can be placed to advantage, thereafter the Council will consider amending the "Street Traffic Regulations Bylaw".

From A.O. Phillips, 1954 Ridgeway Avenue, applying to have the sidewalk finished to the end of the block and Ridgeway Avenue opened from 19th to 20th Streets.

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

From the Rev. J.D. Cuddeford, 457 13th Street East, applying for suitable shrubs to place on the boulevard surrounding his residence at 13th and Moody.

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 W.G. Harkness, 770 14th Street East, applying to have the boulevard graded and a sidewalk extended to the lane near his residence.

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

From the Burrard Drydock Co. Ltd. suggesting that a rental would be charged for the waterlot in front of their property is assurance is not given that the Ferry passes already applied for will be issued to 1932 to two of their directors.

Following the reading of the letter the development of the Foreshore and Waterlots (West of the Ferry Leads) in front of Block "X", D.L. 271 was suggested as being desirable.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the matter be further studied by the Ferry Committee and the Engineer, subject to report to Council.

From the Burrard Drydock Co. Ltd. regarding odd jobs offering at their plant to seasoned employees who are at present working on the Unemployment Relief gangs.

The clerk declared that difficult was experienced under the regulations in the way of permitting men to transfer to short time jobs and further stated that during the month of October thirty-seven of the men on Unemployment Relief had worked part of the time at the shipyards. No objection was raised in cases where two or three days employment had been offered.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the privilege of accepting any short time jobs offered be granted to all registered unemployed men who are at work and that a memorandum of any conflict of the regulations under which registration is permitted be submitted to the Secretary of the

U.B.C.M. for later discussion with the Executive Committee of the Government on Unemployment Relief.

From the North Vancouver Unemployed Workers' Association, requesting the privilege of submitting their case regarding men who lost time on account of bad weather conditions.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the delegation be heard.

Mr. O'Connell presented the case for the delegation and stated that as the remuneration was looked upon in the light of a subsistence allowance, which was as necessary on days that they did not work as on days that they did work, some adjustment would be necessary in the event of a spell of unfavourable weather.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that if men are laid off during the week on account of weather conditions they be given the opportunity of working on Saturdays and that the question of ways and means of meeting the situation arising out of several days of bad weather in the same week be discussed by the Special U.B.C.M. Committee with the Government Committee on Unemployment.

From Laura Illingworth, 139 19th Street West, offering to exchange Lot 14 of 3, Block 20, D.L. 548 plus \$50.00 cash for Lot 1 of 2, Block 19, D.L. 548/9.

The Assessor reported that Lot 14 was assessed at \$365.00, 1931 Taxes \$18.98, and Lot 1, was assessed at \$570.00, 1931 Taxes \$36.46.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to the Finance Committee for study and report.

From Henry Billyeald, 752 5th Street East, acting Scout Master, B.C. Sea Scouts, applying for permission to use the upstairs room of the Fire Hall at 4th and St. George's every Friday evening for drill purposes.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the application be referred to the Fire and Light Committee for report.

From the City Solicitor dealing with difficulty experienced in finding out the legal description for assessment purposes of various land and waterlots which are held in the name of the Harbour Board.

Moved by Alderman Loutet, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the communication be referred to the Finance Committee for study and report.

From the Engineer recommending that the offer of N.A. Mason to sell the Northeast quarter of D.L. 1465 for watershed purposes be not considered at the present time.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the recommendation of the Engineer be and is hereby adopted.

From the North Vancouver Residents and Ratepayers Association submitting the following for consideration of the Council:

- 1) THAT this Association goes on record as being in favour of asking the City Council to at once take the necessary steps towards having the Policing of North Vancouver City done by the B.C. Provincial Police believing that such action would result in a more efficient and economical administration than is being secured under the present Municipal Force.

Moved by Alderman Huggett, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the opinion of the Municipal electors be taken at the January elections on the question of Policing the City by the Provincial Police.

- 2) In view of the fact that expenditures are being cut down this Association strongly stresses upon the City Council the cancellation of all Free Passes on the North Vancouver City Ferries in the interest of economy, and would recommend that expense accounts be substituted for officials engaged on strictly City business.
- 3) That this Association makes enquiries from the City Council as to what section of the Superannuation Act covers the Superannuation of Police Magistrates.
- 4) Query as to what are the duties of the present License Inspector and if they include Weights and Measures.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that resolution numbered two be referred to the 1932 Council and items numbered three and four be replied to by the Clerk.

The Clerk reported receipt of an Admission card for the Mayor and Members of Council to the Reserved section, Victory Square, on the occasion of the Armistice Day Service at the Cenotaph on Wednesday morning, November 11th, at 10.30 o'clock, and asked for instructions in closing the City Hall on Remembrance Day.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that same procedure be followed on Remembrance Day as is done in the City of Vancouver.

From the Secretary of the North Vancouver Health Unit requesting that plans for new premises or alterations to existing premises be submitted to the Medical Health Officer for inspection in cases where the premises are intended for the manufacture, sale or handling of food, and that plans for the housing of animals or poultry on a commercial scale be approved by the Health officer before permits are issued and that an inspection of old premises where food products are now being handled be made before a license to carry on business is issued.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that Council adopt the proposals and the City officials concerned be instructed accordingly.

PETITIONS

From Carl Bohn and five others living east of Williams Avenue applying to have 19th Street opened from Sutherland to Williams Avenue.

The Clerk reported that there were no houses in the block in question and that the property involved was owned entirely by the City with the exception of one forty foot lot.

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

From R.E. Anderson and seven others applying to have the lane opened between 16th and 17th Streets immediately west of Williams Avenue and in the Easterly part of Block 7, D.L. 616.

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

ENQUIRIES

Alderman Huggett urged the necessity of immediate action being taken in the matter of improving the grounds surrounding the North Vancouver Hospital in accordance with a plan submitted. The Engineer had furnished an approximate estimate of the cost, \$1,500.00 and as the work was to be done under the Unemployment Relief scheme the cost to the Municipalities would be comparatively small in relation to the benefits accruing from the work when carried out.

Numerous offers of trees, shrubs and other flowering plants had been made to Alderman Huggett and he was anxious that the removal and planting should be taken advantage of at this season of the year.

The Clerk reported that both Councils were agreed that the Hospital ground and Cemetery Road work should be undertaken as part of the Unemployment Relief work and it was now largely a matter for the Engineers of the two Municipalities to decide on an equal sum of money being spent on each project.

Moved by Alderman Huggett, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the work on the Hospital Grounds be and is hereby approved and proceeded with and that the City Engineer get in touch with the Engineer for the District in regard to some modification of the proposed expenditure by that Municipality on the Cemetery Road.

TENDERS

From George Dalgarno, 1105 Haro Street, Vancouver, offering the sum of \$50.00 cash for Lot 19, Block 52, D.L. 549/550.

The Assessor reported that the lot is situated on the North side of 14th Street, two hundred and sixty feet West of Ridgeway Avenue, size 50x147, assessed at \$625.00, Taxes \$34.84, lane opened and water on to the block.

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

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	960.05 956.45	\$1,916.50
Police		\$1,231.25
School	12,172.69 31.00	\$12,203.69
Ferry	6,924.45 6,319.41	\$13,243.86
Board of Works	15,546.35 2,946.18 471.46	\$18,963.99
Fire and Light		\$2,048.00
Waterworks	472.52 305.44	\$777.96
Health	267.37 192.50	\$459.87
Parks	395.67 163.85	\$559.52

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

RECOMMEND that the Collector render bills for seven Ambulance calls made during the month of October, in amount \$27.50, and that future bills be sent out immediately after the service has been given, the charge of \$3.00 against A. Strome (deceased) to be debited to Relief Account.

RECOMMEND that Mr. D. Livingstone, 248 1st Street West, be permitted to install a bath tub, sink and wash basin, at his own expense, in the building that he now occupies as tenant on Lots 18 and 19, Block 159, D.L. 271, subject to removal as his property at the end of the tenancy, provided that Livingstone first sign an agreement to be responsible for all repairs to the property during his occupancy.

RECOMMEND that a tenancy of the premises at 2527-2529 Lonsdale Avenue be not accepted and that the cheque from Irwin & Billings Co. Ltd. for \$7.50 be returned to them with the advice that their client Mr. Reed, who has taken possession of the property without right of occupancy, be given notice to quit and deliver up to the Corporation possession of the premises forthwith.

RECOMMEND that the occupants of the building situated on Lots 16 and 17, Block 163, D.L. 271, be notified to deliver up possession of the premises to the City and following the occupants removal that the building be torn down and destroyed.

RECOMMEND that the October report of the Relief distributed totaling \$1,440.40 be received and filed.

SUMMARY

Relief of Unemployed	\$582.45
Relief of Indigents	548051
Monthly Pensions Account	40.00
Payment of Institutions	<u>269.44</u>
	\$1,440.40
Less: amount to be recovered from the Federal & Provincial Governments	<u>388.30</u>
	\$1,052.10

RECOMMEND that the offering from Bird and Talling Vancouver, to exchange \$1,000.00 City of North Vancouver Ferry 5% Bond, due 1950, at 89 7/8 and interest, yield 5.96%

FOR

\$1,000.00 Dominion of Canada 5 ½% Bond, due November 1st 1934, at 101.00 and interest.

be not accepted.

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

RECOMMEND that the disputed bill from the Harbour Navigation Co. in amount \$417.48 be discussed by the interest parties with the Solicitor and reported on later in the meeting.

RECOMMEND that the following matters be referred back for consideration by the Committee:

1. Statement of constructional expenditures made on No.4 Ferry in excess of the contract price.

2. Statement of expenditures made on the Ferry Terminals from January 1st to September 30, 1931.

RECOMMEND that the list of Ferry employees submitted by the Superintendent as persons considered to be permanent employees be reviewed and reported on by the Committee before any steps are taken towards accepting them as contributors to the Superannuation Fund.

RECOMMEND that the letter from Mr. G. Houlgrave be left in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee and Mr. Houlgrave advised by the Clerk as to the general position that is taken towards all employees who do not hold their appointment direct from the Council.

RECOMMEND that the question of exit from the Ferry property at the Vancouver side for taxicabs be laid on the table.

RECOMMEND that the report of Mate Rennolf concerning the conduct on No.4 Ferry on October 30th last of the driver of Auto 92.293 be considered by the Committee.

RECOMMEND that no re-arrangement of the cabin accommodation on No.4 Ferry be entertained in connection with an application for a permanent increase in the passenger-carrying certificate but that a temporary certificate, which can be obtained with minor changes as indicated by the Steamship Inspector, be applied for use during the annual overhaul of the larger ferries.

RECOMMEND that a Ferry Pass be issued to Acting Mayor Alderman John Bennett of Vancouver.

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

RECOMMEND that the application from McTaggart Cowan to have the Jones Avenue road grade widened between 25th and 26th Streets be carried out when Jones Avenue is being improved with the Unemployment gangs.

RECOMMEND that the application from W.K. Saint be granted to have the brush cut on Second Street between Moody Avenue and Lots 16 and 17, Block 28, D.L. 273, at an estimated cost of \$50.00.

RECOMMEND that the work of clearing the light brush and grading the lane, except the ravine portion in Block 211A, D.L. 544, be carried out as part of the Government Unemployment Relief work at an estimated cost of \$220.00. There are several houses that will be benefited providing the owners first dedicate the necessary right-of-way.

RECOMMEND approval of the ground plan submitted for improving the area around the North Vancouver General Hospital.

RECOMMEND that the Engineer, check the details of the District of North Vancouver's proposal to improve the Cemetery Road on the following basis.

1563 Man Days	\$5,001.60
Materials	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$6,001.60</u>

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

RECOMMEND that following inspection, the applications for Street Lights at the two under noted location be granted:

24th Street and St. George's (Applicant – Jeanes)
14th Street and Delbruck Ave. (Applicant – McRae)

and that the following applications be not granted at the present time:

28th Street and Larson Road (Applicant – Spencer)
20th Street and McKay Ave. (Petition)

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

RECOMMEND that the City proceed to acquire title to the sixty-six feet of waterfront immediately West of Fell Ave., as so as to make Fell Avenue waterfront one hundred and thirty-two feet wide and that the acquisition of a suitable light truck for garbage collections and the establishment of a garbage dump at the foot of Fell Ave. be referred to the 1932 Council.

MOTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved,
THAT a special account be opened with The Royal Bank of Canada to be known as
as
"The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver (Unemployment Relief)"

AND THAT the City Treasurer do deposit to the credit of such account all cheques and moneys hereafter received by the City from the Government of British Columbia in respect of Unemployment Relief work: except moneys to be received by the City from the Government on account of expenditures heretofore made by the City for Unemployment Relief work; and that a certified copy of this resolution be deposited with the Bank".

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved,
THAT a special account be opened with The Royal Bank of Canada to be known
as
“The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver (Tax Sale Lands)”

AND THAT the City Treasurer do deposit to the credit of such account all cheques and moneys hereafter received in respect of purchase price of Tax Sale Lands heretofore or hereafter sold by the City; and that the Bank be authorized to apply all moneys in said account towards liquidation of any indebtedness of the City to the Bank; and that a certified copy of this resolution be deposited with the Bank”.

BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Loutet seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that leave be now granted to introduce at this meeting of Council a Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication Bylaw No.4 1931” and that the said Bylaw receive three readings at this Meeting of Council and that the occasion for such readings be deemed an urgent one within the meaning of the Procedure Bylaw.

Whereupon the Bylaw was introduced and read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Wilson seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication Bylaw No.4 1931” be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Loutet seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the Committee Proceedings in respect to the Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication Bylaw No.4 1931” be dispensed with.

Moved by Alderman Loutet seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication Bylaw No.4 1931” be now read a third time.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read a third time and passed by the Council subject to reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Loutet seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled “Bylaw No.1320, A Bylaw to set aside the whole of the Unpaid Taxes Assessed or Levied Prior to the Year 1931, a Security for Payment of \$250,000.00 Borrowed from The Royal Bank of Canada to meet Current Lawful Expenditures together with the Interest on said Loan” be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Wilson seconded by Alderman Anderson 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.1320.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Huggett suggested that a Joint meeting of the Councils of the City and District be arranged to further discuss the supply and distribution of water between the two Municipalities.

Following discussion it was moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Loutet and resolved that the Waterworks Committee first submit to Council its recommendations on all matters that are outstanding in connection therewith.

The City Solicitor reported on the ascertained damage to the M.S. "Harbour Princess" and stated the owners were now prepared to accept in full settlement of their claim the sum of \$208.74 being one half of the amount of the total bill rendered.

Moved by Alderman Wilson seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the report be accepted and a cheque issued to the Harbour Navigation Co. for \$208.74 in full settlement of the claim for repairs to the M.S. "Harbour Princess".

Mr. O'Connell requested a hearing on behalf of unemployed single men in the City, requesting that twelve days work be found for them each month at the rate of \$2.00 per day.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out the situation that confronted the Council and stated the request would be considered in Committee and decision conveyed to the men in the morning.

At 9.15 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that this Council do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Cartwright was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

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

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 10.10 p.m.

E.H. BRIDGMAN
MAYOR