

MINUTES OF THE STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON THURSDAY JANUARY 21st, 1932 AT 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

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

From the Clerk certifying that Mayor E.H. Bridgman, Aldermen: C. Cartwright, G.H. Page, and W.I. Wilson, following their election had taken and filed with him the declaration provided for in Section 85 of the "Municipal Elections Act".

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Mayor E.H. Bridgman in welcoming the members to the deliberations of the 1932 Council expressed confidence that the affairs of the City would be carried on in a business like manner. Finances would not permit of heavy expenditures, but it would be the duty of the Council to see that the funds available were spent in the best interests of the ratepayers. His Worship referred in terms of appreciation to the valuable services rendered by Ex-Alderman Loutet, who had devoted so many years to public affairs on the North Shore, and extended greetings to Alderman Page as a new member of the Council.

The Mayor directed the Council's attention to the following matters:

- 1) Completing agreements with the Vancouver Harbour Board for the dedication of certain parcels of land from the City to the Board.
- 2) The dedication of the Westerly part of the Low Level Road and a water main right-of-way from the Board to the City.
- 3) Payment of an annual sum of the City in lieu of taxes which would have been due on lands that are now exempt.
- 4) Authorize the City Solicitor to select some eminent K.C. for the purpose of consultation and opinion in the matter of assessment and taxation of unoccupied Harbour Board lands.
- 5) Reduction of the tax penalties and the vesting of power in the Courts to order the home of a taxpayer removed from Tax Sale in certain circumstances.
- 6) Public tenders to be called at stated intervals for quantity supplies.

- 7) Meetings with Board of School Trustees, Board of Police Commissioners and various Trade guilds in regard to salaries and wages of Civic employees.
- 8) Appointment of Acting-Mayor during the absence of the Mayor from the City.
- 9) Co-operation with adjacent Municipalities and the furthering of movements that are for the benefit of our citizens.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the general principles of the Mayor's address be endorsed and the details worked out later by Council.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the Alderman H.C.E. Anderson, be and is hereby appointed Acting-Mayor of the City during the absence from the City at any time of Mayor E.H. Bridgman as and from January 21, 1932.

His worship the Mayor reported that a meeting had been held on short notice earlier in the day at the Hotel Vancouver between the Provincial Minister of Public Works, the Chief Engineer for the Government, Jack Loutet M.L.A. the City Engineer, and himself, when matters concerning the preparation of payrolls, overtime, and adjustments of pay in connection with Unemployment Relief Work were discussed. The result of the meeting indicated that all of the items outstanding would eventually be amicably adjusted between the Government and the City.

His Worship the Mayor submitted the following list of Standing Committees for the year 1932.

Alderman Huggett suggested and the Council agreed that Mr. J. Rodger Burnes be appointed a member of the Town Planning Commission for the unexpired term of Mr. G.D. Curtis, who has left the City on account of ill health.

Finance Committee (Including Schools and Police)

Alderman H.C.E. Anderson, Chairman
Alderman A. Huggett
Alderman W.A. Brown

Ferry Committee

Alderman W.I. Wilson, Chairman
Alderman C. Cartwright
Alderman H.C.E. Anderson

Board of Works Committee (Including Dewers, Lanes & Public Safety)

Alderman C. Cartwright, Chairman

Alderman W.I. Wilson
Alderman G.H. Page

Fire and Light Committee (Including Gas)

Alderman W.A. Brown, Chairman
Alderman G.H. Page
Alderman W.I. Wilson

Waterworks Committee

Alderman A. Huggett, Chairman
Alderman W.A. Brown
Alderman C. Cartwright

Parks and Boulevards Committee (Including Health and Cemetery)

Alderman G.H. Page, Chairman
Alderman H.C.E. Anderson
Alderman A. Huggett

Industrial and Publicity Committee

Alderman A. Huggett, Chairman
Alderman H.C.E. Anderson
Alderman W.I. Wilson

Hospital Board

Mayor E.H. Bridgman
Alderman H.C.E. Anderson
Alderman C. Cartwright
Alderman A. Huggett
Alderman W.I. Wilson

Town Planning Commission

W. Brand Young)	
Mrs. E.F. WOLFE-Merton)	1932, 1933, 1934
Mayor E.H. Bridgman)	
Alderman G.H. Page)	Ex officio 1932
J. Rodger Burnes)	(in place of G.D. Curtis, 1 year)

City Representative on Board of Appeal (Town Planning)

Mr. D. Cantelon

Health Unit

Alderman H.C.E. Anderson
Alderman C. Cartwright

Representative-Capilano Parks Board

Alderman G.H. Page

Representative-Vancouver Board of Trade

Mayor E.H. Bridgman

Board of Bridge Directors

Alderman H.C.E. Anderson

From the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company advising that the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Company would be held in the registered office of the Company, at the North end of the Second Narrows Bridge at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 22, 1932.

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Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that Mayor E.H. Bridgman be and is hereby appointed to represent the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver and vote in respect of 1250 of the Corporation's share at the Annual meeting of the shareholders of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, to be held on Friday the 22nd day of January 1932.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that Alderman Anderson be and is hereby appointed to represent the City of North Vancouver on the Board of Directors of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company for the year 1932, the Mayor being ex-officio a Director.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that Alderman Anderson be and is hereby appointed to represent the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver and vote in respect to 1250 of the Corporation's share at the Annual meeting of the shareholders of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, to be held on Friday the 22nd day of January 1932.

From the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company informing the Council that it will be necessary to be prepared to meet the interest coupons due on 1st March next on the Company's bonds guaranteed by the City in amount \$8,681.50 Canadian funds.

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

From the North Shore Jubilee Canadian Club, applying for a grant of \$24.00 being one half the cost of the Projection operator's fees to display a series of free motion pictures depicting the National Parks of Canada, the wild life and scenes of the dominion, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, at the Lonsdale Theatre in the early days of February, for the benefit of the school children of North Vancouver.

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

From the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners, The Greater Vancouver Water District and the Burrard Drydock Co. Ltd., applying for the customary free passes for 1932 on the City ferries.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the applications be referred to the Ferry Committee for study and report.

From the Imperial Oil Ltd. stating that recent heavy rains had caused damage to their property and the City's retaining wall on the West of their property line at Esplanade and Rogers Avenue. They proposed extending their culvert to the lane and requested the City to confine the stream to a set course.

The Engineer following an inspection of the property recommended that the City construct a culvert at an estimated cost of \$150.00 across the lane allowance to connect with the culvert that the Oil Company proposes to construct through its property.

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

From the local branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses applying for the customary grant of \$750.00 for 1932.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the application be referred to Estimates and enquiry made through the Vancouver Welfare Federation if Civic grants are permitted or expected to be given to a participating organization.

From Victor Larson, 335 8th Street East, with reference to improvements in the three hundred block Eighth Street East.

The Mayor referred the letter to the Solicitor for perusal and recommended that the communication be referred to the Board of Works Committee without comment.

Telegrams were read to and from the Dominion Director of Unemployment in regard to the City's further proposal of \$100,000.00 for Unemployment Relief Works.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that copies be furnished to His Worship the Mayor together with copies of outstanding correspondence to take up with the Department at Victoria when on his visit there on Tuesday, January 26th next.

From the Department of Public Works advising that it would not be possible to pass payrolls in which overtime had been charged and requesting a reason for such overtime being granted.

The Clerk explained that except in cases such as attending to lights etc, no overtime had actually been allowed and when the matter had been drawn to the attention of the City the practice had been discontinued.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the Department be communicated with setting forth that the apparent differences in time were largely accounted for by bad weather conditions followed by an opportunity being given the workmen to make up lost time, but that the eight hour day and five day week had not been exceeded throughout the agreement.

From the Engineer recommending that a sum to be ascertained at the close of the work be charged under the agreement, for rental of the City's tractor, two trucks and one team and credited to materials.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that when the actual amount due on this account can be definitely arrived at a claim be made under the agreement for the amount and His Worship the Mayor also take the opportunity of discussing the proposal with the Chief Engineer of the Department at Victoria.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the following accounts in the stated amounts:

Union of B.C. Municipalities dues to June 30, 1932	\$15.00
Municipal News, seven subscriptions	\$14.00
Vancouver Board of Trade, 1932 dues	\$20.00

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that permission be granted to the North Shore and Capilano Football Clubs to stage a Wrestling tournament in the K.P. Hall on the evening of Friday, January 19, 1932, and that the Chief Constable of the City be advised to that effect.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that a Court of Revision be held as required by Statute for the purpose of considering and dealing with the Assessment Roll of the City of North Vancouver for the year 1932, and to hear complaints made by any person against the assessment roll as prepared by the Assessor and that the first sitting of the said Court of Revision shall be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, City of North Vancouver, on Monday the 8th day of February at 10 o'clock a.m.

AND THAT the members of the Court be His Worship the Mayor and the full Council.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Standing Committees of the Council meet on the first and third Mondays in each month at 7 o'clock p.m.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Ferry Committee be and is hereby appointed to interview the Finance Committee of the Vancouver City Council with respect to the exemption from taxes of the property located at the Vancouver Ferry Terminals for the year 1932 (The Clerk to arrange date of meeting and notify members of the Committee).

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized to renew indemnity bonds of City employees as they mature at the best possible rates.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Mayor and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to issue cheques in payment of salary payrolls, also of Committee payrolls for labour, when same have been properly certified by the head of each department and the Chairman of the Committee concerned. The payrolls so paid to be submitted at the next regular meeting of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that any persons leaving the employ of the City between payrolls and parties requiring interim payments, be paid on the written order of the Executive Officer in charge of the Department when certified by the Comptroller.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that all salary cheques, with the exception of Ferry, be made out and signed in sufficient time to issue on the morning of the fifteenth and the last day of each month. Should the issuing day fall on a holiday or Sunday, cheques to be issued on the previous day and should the said previous day fall on a Saturday, cheques to be issued on Friday. End of December cheques to be issued before Christmas Day if practicable.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the 1931 Ferry passes be honoured until the Council arrive at a decision regarding 1932 passes.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the Ferry Committee in cases of Emergency be and are hereby authorized to incur expenditures up to the sum of \$300.00, subject to confirmation at the first regular meeting of the Council thereafter.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that any person who receives appointment on the regular Civic staff prior to taking office must produce a certified copy of their birth certificate or proof of age satisfactory to the Comptroller.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that free passes on the City Ferries be suspended for the year 1932.

This was debated by the members of Council and the mover and seconder on the suggestion of the Chair agreed to introduce the matter as a notice of motion.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the Indemnity to be paid the Mayor and Aldermen of the City out of general revenue for the year 1932 be considered at the same time as the estimates for the year 1932.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Wilson and resolved that the offer of Mr. A. Eckford, be accepted to sell for Sinking Fund Investment
\$1,000.00 City of North Vancouver Bonds due June 1, 1948
at the price of 81.00 yield 7%.

BYLAWS

Moved by Alderman Brown, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Interest on Partly or Fully Prepaid Taxes Bylaw 1932" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Huggett, 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.1327.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the Bylaw entitled "City of North Vancouver Lands Sales Bylaw 1932, No.1" be now reconsidered.

Whereupon the Bylaw was read and reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Anderson and resolved that the said Bylaw was read and reconsidered, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal No. 1328.

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

E.H. BRIDGMAN
MAYOR