

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8th, 1932 AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

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

The Clerk read the Notice of meeting as posted in accordance with Statutory requirements.

Moved by Alderman Brown, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Notice convening the meeting be minuted and filed.

At this stage of the proceedings Trustee Perry declared and Dr. Lyle Telford in speaking over the radio that evening had stated the City of North Vancouver School cheques for the month of January were not paid. As the statement was not one of fact the Trustee was of opinion that official notice should be taken of the matter.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that Dr. Telford's attention be drawn to the matter with the request that he give as much publicity to correcting the misstatement as was given to the announcement of same.

An invitation had been extended to the Board of School Trustees and the Board of Police commissioners to attend the meeting, the full Boards being present, it was moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of hearing from His Worship the Mayor, regarding the City's financial position and the need for obtaining all the relief possible for the taxpayer who had a substantial increase in taxes to face if the present salary and service lists were to be maintained.

Alderman Huggett was appointed Chairman.

IN COMMITTEE

IN COUNCIL

From the Deputy Minister of Finance, Victoria, drawing attention to the fact that the City had instructed their Bankers to refuse payment of a U.S. premium of 18 ¼% on Interest coupons due January 10, 1932 on \$120,222.00 City of North Vancouver, 6% Bonds, due January 10, 1973, enquiring on what grounds such a stand is taken, Payment of same had been made in Canadian currency.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the Council does not consider itself obligated to pay in U.S. funds on an internal transaction of this character and the Solicitor and Clerk write advising the Department that it is not intended to make payment in any other manner than in Canadian funds.

From D. Donaghy, advising that the Solicitors for the Montreal Trust Co. will make an application to the Court on Tuesday, February 9th, for an order that Mayor E.H. Bridgman be appointed Receiver of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Co. and requesting that the Council instruct him as to their wishes in regard to the application.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that they approve and support the application that Mayor E.H. Bridgman be appointed Receiver of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Co.

From the Engineer drawing attention to the District of North Vancouver's assessment of \$5,000.00 for improvements on D.L. 1016 stating that as the improvements are on a road allowance and not on the District Lot stated it was intended to ask the District Court of Revision to eliminate the assessment.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Council concur in the matter and the request be placed at the proper time before the Court of Revision.

From the District of North Vancouver submitting a certified copy of a resolution passed by that Council terminating the agreements dated the 2nd day of February 1918 for the supply of water by the City of North Vancouver to the District of North Vancouver and by the said District to the said City respectively.

Moved by Alderman Brown, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the notice be accepted and referred to the Solicitor.

From the Engineer submitting the following tenders to supply specified planking for the North Vancouver Ferry Dock.

ASTBURY LUMBER CO. LIMITED

Delivered by Scow all charges paid and 12 days allowance for unloading	\$674.70
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Delivered by Trucks all charges paid Including ferry charges	\$698.45
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NORTH VANCOUVER SAWMILLS

Delivered by Scow including 3 days unloading and including 4% Sales Tax	\$809.00
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Delivered by truck including 4% Sales Tax	\$834.00
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And further recommending that the lowest tender, namely that of the Astbury Lumber Co. Ltd. be accepted.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the recommendation of the Engineer be adopted and the business awarded to the Astbury Lumber Co. Ltd., truck delivery basis, with instruction that future tenders be called for quantity supplies by public advertisement.

From the North Vancouver Unemployed Association protesting the delay in arranging a work programme for the Unemployed objecting to the number of foremen, ten for some fifty men, slated to carry out the finishing work under Agreement numbered 34, resenting pomp and extravagance in Government and announcing a "Hunger March" would be staged by the Unemployed at Victoria on Tuesday, February 23rd next.

Moved by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that the Board of Works Committee investigate the allocation of foremen and men complained of an wherever the foreman is to be in a working capacity that information be stated on the list prior to posting on the Board.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Cartwright and resolved that the Secretary of the Unemployed Association be requested to set forth in greater detail for possible submission to the Government the complaints incorporated in the letter addressed to the Council.

From the Medical Health Officer, pointing out certain steps he considered necessary due to the epidemic of a severe type of Smallpox in Vancouver, among others suggesting that as the Ferry employees come in close contact with a large number of

people from Vancouver, as well as from North Vancouver, he deemed it advisable for those employees on the Ferries who could not show definite proof of successful vaccination within the past five to seven years, that they should be vaccinated again.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Wilson and resolved that the information be conveyed to the Ferry employees through the Ferry Superintendent, who will advise that free vaccination is available for the men by appointment at the office of the Health Unit.

From the Secretary to the School Board stating that the Department of Education had advised that the vacancy on the Board of School Trustees should be filled under the provisions of Section 44 of "The Public Schools Act" as amended at the last session of the Legislature.

It was pointed out to Council that the change in the wording of the section had been overlooked but that the provision still stood that if the Council fails to hold an election to fill the vacancy the remaining Trustees, with the approval of the Council of Public Instruction may appoint some duly qualified person as Trustee to fill the vacancy.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the School Board be advised the Council do not wish to incur the expense of an election unless it is requested by the Board of School Trustees. It being generally understood that the Board has practically agreed upon an appointment which can be made in due course in accordance with the provisions of section 44 of the Act.

Alderman Anderson submitted at this time for the consideration of Council that in the event of no permissive legislation being enacted at the forthcoming session of the Legislature, granting to Municipalities the power to reduce the tax penalty to ten per cent (10%) the imposition of the penalty in the City of North Vancouver for the year 1932 be stated in the Bylaw in the following manner:

5% in August	3% in October
3% in September	2% in November
	2% in December

The Treasurer reporting in connection with the retrial of debentures due under Bylaw 210 on March 1st next stated the City held \$40,000.00 Dominion of Canada 5 ½% Bonds due November 1, 1932 for which a price of 100.05 had been offered by A.E. Ames and Co., Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Brown and resolved that the offer of A.E. Ames and Co., Vancouver, to purchase \$40,000.00 Dominion of Canada 5 1/2 % Bonds due November 1, 1932 at the price of 100.05 be accepted and that the proceeds of the sale be forthwith deposited to Sinking Fund Account to be used only against the redemption of debentures falling due at March 1st next.

Alderman Wilson recommended that the application from C.W. Calhoun in regard to advertising business on the Ferries and Approaches be laid over until the regular meeting of the Council.

Alderman Huggett in connection with Second Narrows Bridge matters enquired if the proposed Contractors were the only firm that had been consulted in regard to the present scheme, if a reliable check had been or was to be obtained as to the estimated cost, the steps that had been taken to protect the Municipalities against further obligations, the ownership now and under certain contract conditions of the old span, and if any knowledge was available to the Bridge directors as to the Department's attitude to the proposal and other matters, The queries were answered by Mayor E.H. Bridgman and Alderman H.C.E. Anderson, the City's representatives on the Board of Directors of the Bridge Company, in a satisfactory manner.

Moved by Alderman Cartwright, seconded by Alderman Huggett and resolved that Mayor E.H. Bridgman and Alderman H.C.E. Anderson be and are hereby appointed to represent the City at the forthcoming Special Convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, to be held in the near future at Victoria, B.C.

Discussion took place in regard to the distribution of Direct Relief, during which the Council agreed to leave the details largely in the hands of the Clerk and concurred in the view that in cases where the head of a family is able-bodied, unless under very special circumstances, no fuel orders be granted. Every opportunity would be given to the needy unemployed to cut wood on designated City property and where necessary persons would be helped to the extent of providing tools.

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

Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 11.05 p.m.

E.H. BRIDGMAN
MAYOR