

Minutes of meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, April 4th 1950 at 8 p.m.

Present

His Worship Acting Mayor Gostick  
Alderman C.W. Cates, Alderman J.C. McDevitt, Alderman A. Stewart, Alderman J. A. S. Suttis and Alderman W. L. Templeton

#### MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council held on March 20th 1950 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all members of the Council. Carried

#### CORRESPONDENCE

From Commissioner M. E. Sowden, asking for an opportunity of discussing his proposed Park and municipal forest programme with representatives of the Council.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Cates that this matter be referred to the Solicitor for a report, prior to a meeting being arranged with Mr. Sowden. Carried

From the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Express Company, 132 West Esplanade asking that a loading zone be established in front of their premises.

Referred by His Worship to the Transportation and Board of Works Committees for report.

From the Joseph Chew Shingle Company, 309 West Esplanade inquiring if it would be possible to lease parcel "Z", D.L.271.

Referred to the Legal and Policy Committee for a recommendation

From the North Vancouver Business Association protesting against any changes in the inter-city bus schedules.

Alderman Cates said that there has been no definite suggestion as to what the Company proposes in this regard and he suggested that the matter should be left until the Company completes its present survey of the inter-city system.

The Mayor referred this letter to the Transportation Committee and asked that the Business Association be advised of any changes which might be proposed on the North Vancouver-Vancouver bus schedule.

From the First Baptist Church, requesting permission to use the North Vancouver Ferry Wharf on June 24th on the occasion of their annual picnic.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that permission be given to the First Baptist Church of North Vancouver to use the North Vancouver Ferry wharf for the purpose of embarking and disembarking those people attending their annual picnic on June 24th, it being understood that the Corporation will not be liable for any accidents or damages. Carried

From School District No. 44, asking the Council to give consideration to the control of dogs running wild on school grounds.

Alderman McDevitt pointed out that the situation is quite serious in certain areas where large packs of wild dogs are running uncontrolled, causing damage to property and constituting a menace to children.

Acting Mayor Gostick said that persons owning unlicensed dogs will be prosecuted after May 1st but in the meantime the Poundkeeper has been instructed to remedy the situation.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Cates that this matter be referred to the Legal and Policy Committee to study the present By-law with a view to strengthening the provisions regarding the control of dogs. Carried

Mayor Goldsworthy took his place as Chairman.

From the Memorial Community Centre, asking if the Council would renew its lease of the Heywood Community Centre for another year and advising that it is proposed to redecorate the exterior of the building early this summer.

Referred to the Legal and Policy Committee.

From the North Vancouver Business Civic Labour Association, asking if it is possible to buy a City lot and move a wartime house on to same provided suitable alterations are made to the building to bring it up to the requirements of the City By-laws.

Referred to Building Committee Report.

From the Seafarers International Union, advising that they would like to insert in their Agreement a clause making it mandatory for deckhands to either join the Union or pay Union dues.

Referred to Labour Relations Committee Report.

From the North Vancouver Civic Employees Association asking for an opportunity to discuss certain matters with the Council's Labour Relations Committee.

Referred to the Labour Relations Committee for consideration.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY

The Clerk submitted 12 applications to purchase tax sale lots. He advised that of these nine had been accepted and the other 3 had been tabled for further information.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the following sales of tax sale land be placed on the next By-law for conveyance:-

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Resub.</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>D.L.</u>	<u>Name of Purchaser</u>	<u>Price</u>
1		232	546	Bernard Lionel Mills & Bessie Elizabeth Mills	\$650.00
2,32 & 33		2	272	Sharpe Construction Co.Ltd.	\$575.00
2		34A	550	Harry Clayton Evans	\$450.00
18	A 1&2	23&24	547	Robert Edmond & Beatrice Maud Edmond	\$400.00
8&9		120	274/548	August Lips & Erna Helen Lips	\$700.00
3&4		34A	550	Harold Stirskey	\$900.00
5&6		34A	550	Harry Clayton Evans	\$900.00
30		208	546	Leonard Lynge & Pete Damgaard	\$500.00
14 & W. ½ 15		231	546	George Lloyd Patton & Marjorie Edith Patton	\$575.00 Carried

#### TENDERS

The Clerk advised that tenders had been called for the sale of Lots 52 and 53, Block 8, D.L. 549, an improved property at 241 East 20th Street.

Two tenders were received within the time limit.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that these tenders be now opened. Carried

Whereupon tenders were opened as follows:-

Mrs. L. Cao - 241 East 20th St. \$1550.00  
Mr. F. Kirk Owen, 1505 Grand Boulevard \$3500.00

His Worship then referred these tenders to the Legal Committee for consideration.

PLANS FOR APPROVAL

An application was received from W. P. Radford, 430 Somerset Street, requesting the exchange of certain properties in his area to provide a better method of lane access.

Referred by His Worship to the Board of Works Committee for recommendation.

DUE ACCOUNTS

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:-

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57 Social Welfare \$1485.96 v Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEESFINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Gostick reported that he had met with the School Board and had discussed the possibilities of developing Block 216, as a playground and had also discussed the supplementary extraordinary estimates of the Board.

The Board agreed that they were not in any particular hurry regarding the latter estimates and that later on in the year the matter would be discussed again.

Alderman Gostick then advised that the Council's 1950 Estimates had been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. He pointed out that this was the sixth year he had been on the Council, and that each year the Council had been very reluctant to increase the basis of its revenue. He said the point had now been reached where no rapid increase in revenue could be expected with the possible exception of the chance of getting additional revenue from the Second Narrows Bridge. He pointed out that any speculation on the Bridge at this time would only confuse the situation and there was no point in spending time on this subject until all the facts concerning the Bridge were known.

He said that the new assessments would bring in an additional \$31,000.00 in new taxes but that the uncontrolled revenues amounted to \$43,000.00 and if it had not been for the increase in the S.S. and M.A. Tax Grant our estimates would have had to be cut very seriously. He pointed out that the preliminary estimates showed an excess of expenditures over revenue of \$160,000.00. This amount was gradually cut down to \$15,000.00 and the Council was then faced with three courses.

(1) to cut the budget for lanes, roads, waterworks, etc.  
or (2) Raise the tax rate 2 mills (The service tax had been discussed and rejected)

or (3) Bring the Ferry rates closer to the actual expenditure which were now at their lowest possible point. This could be done by instituting a straight ten cent cash fare and installing turnstiles.

The Council had decided to pursue the latter course.

Alderman Gostick advised that the Estimated revenue for 1950 would be \$1,154,321.00 which was approximately \$37,000.00 over and above 1949. This year one mill would produce a gross of \$9,020.00 or a net of \$8435.00 compared with a gross in 1949 of \$7667.00 and a net of \$7107.00.

He advised that the actual cost of service to improved properties had been calculated as follows:-

Fire	\$11.72	
Police	10.02	
Health	7.35	
Street Lighting	3.85	
Soc. Service & Hospital Gt.	10.92	
Parks & Cemetery	9.09	
Administration & Inspection	12.90	
Debt	23.90	
Schools	<u>37.32</u>	\$127.07

He pointed out that as the average tax on improved property in the City only amounted to \$68.34 the taxpayers of the

City were receiving considerably more service than was purchased by their tax dollar. The City was able to do this only by relying on revenue from other sources such as Waterworks, trade licenses, etc.

RECOMMEND that the 1950 Estimates as now submitted be approved and that the Annual Rate By-law be prepared in accordance with the said Estimates.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

The members of the Council then complimented Alderman Gostick on his fine presentation of the Budget and His Worship pointed out that in adopting the same the Council was setting its policy and objectives for the year 1950.

He asked Alderman Gostick if he would supply a copy of his report in writing for the information of the Council and the Public.

Alderman Gostick said that his Committee had been giving consideration to the work which was being done by Mr. Richards and he pointed out that some of the duties which he is doing are not strictly those of a City Treasurer. In order to clarify the situation he suggested that Mr. Richards be appointed City Comptroller.

RECOMMEND that Mr. R. W. Richards be appointed City Comptroller, duties to be those of Treasurer, Collector, License Inspector and Secretary of the Board of Debt Retirement Fund Trustees, and such other duties as are referred to him by the Council, his salary to remain as at present.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

Alderman Gostick advised that the foregoing recommendation does not affect the operation of any of the other Departments of the City.

Alderman Gostick advised that the Committee had authorized a number of Grants for the year 1950. With regard to the North Vancouver Public Library Association he suggested that if the Association requires more than the \$500.00 Grant now recommended that they should utilize the provisions of the "Municipal Act" and the "Public Libraries Act" which set out the proper method of carrying on the work of such an association and the financing of it.

With respect to the V. O. N. he reported that the Hospital Insurance Commission is quite interested in aiding in some way the work of the V. O. N. and it is possible financial aid will be received from that source during the current year.

RECOMMEND that the following grants be authorized for the year 1950:-

North Vancouver Library Association	\$ 500.00
Victorian Order of Nurses	1100.00
North Vancouver Board of Trade	125.00
Canadian Red Cross (North Vancouver)	200.00
S. P. C. A.	175.00
Town Planning Commission	125.00
Salvation Army	50.00

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal an agreement with the Commissioner of Provincial Police providing for the policing services of 10 men at a cost of \$30,990.62 for the year of 1950.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the Commissioner of B. C. Police be requested to add a further two men to the local detachment in accordance with the Deputy Commissioners' letter of February 3rd 1950.

- 1 Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the North Shore Night Patrol be advised that while this Council appreciates the work being done by the Patrol and recommends the added protection of the Patrol to local business men, it cannot accept the proposal that the City enter into a contract for the supplying of such service, 2 in view of the additional personnel which are being added to the local detachment of the Provincial Police.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that Cemetery Lots 9 to 14 in Block 559 and Lots 1 to 16 in Block 558, be sold to North Vancouver Lodge #55 of the I. O. O. F. in accordance with the Agreement dated October 30th 1922. 3

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

#### FIRE, LIGHT AND PARKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Stewart advised that since the estimates had now been approved his Committee now recommended as follows:-

- 4 RECOMMEND that the Fire Chief be authorized to hire an additional seven firemen for the Department, applications to be submitted to the Fire and Light Committee for consideration.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Fire & Light Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the application of C. L. Hortin for Street light at 20th & Ridgeway be tabled until the Fall.

- 5 Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above report of the Fire and Light Committee be adopted. Carried

#### BOARD OF WORKS & BUILDING COMMITTEE

6 Alderman Suttis reported that the Board of Works crews were back on the night shifts for the second time in order to catch up on the work that has to be done. It is hoped that by the end of the week the surface treated roads would be back in good shape and earth roads shortly after.

Alderman Suttis advised that his Committee had given further consideration to the matter of removal and conversion of Wartime Houses and had come to the conclusion that the best method of handling the situation would be by having Central Mortgage & Housing carry out such removal and conversion. The Committee therefore recommended as follows:-

- 7 RECOMMEND that the Clerk be instructed to request Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to work out a plan of removal and conversion for the former Wartime Houses which have not been sold, along the lines suggested by Mr. Mansur on December 14, 1949 and that a copy of such request be sent to Mr. James Sinclair, M.P. asking for his support of the proposal.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Building Committee be adopted. Carried

8 RECOMMEND that B. J. Schemenauer, J. Cummings and Associates and Mr. M. Dery be advised that no action will be taken on their request to move certain Wartime Houses to other City lots pending clarification of the provisions of the new Federal-Provincial-Municipal Housing legislation.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Building Committee be adopted. Carried

Alderman Suttis asked that any other person or group inquiring as to the removal of Wartime Houses, such as the North Vancouver Civic Labour Association should be advised in terms of the recommendation which had been adopted, asking that Central Mortgage and Housing carry out the plan of removal and conversion.

2 Alderman Suttis drew attention to the unsatisfactory condition in the City regarding unfinished buildings. He advised that his Committee had instructed the Building Inspector to carry out fully the provisions of the Building By-law which prohibited the occupancy of Buildings until they are completed to his satisfaction.

Alderman Suttis advised that the complaint of Joseph Chew Shingle Co. Ltd., regarding the Sewer outfall at the foot of Forbes Avenue had been investigated and his Committee now recommends as follows:-

3 RECOMMEND that the Joseph Chew Shingle Co. Ltd., 309 West Esplanade be advised that the sewer outfall at the foot of Forbes Avenue was designed to operate in its present manner and has been operating satisfactorily for the past forty years, and that the Company be also advised that Council does not anticipate making any major alterations in such sewer outfall system at this time.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Board of Works Committee be adopted. Carried

#### FERRY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

4 Alderman Cates advised that in March the vehicle traffic had increased over the same month last year but a drop of approximately 50,000 had occurred in the passenger traffic over March of 1949.

Alderman Cates advised that when the Estimates for the current year had been discussed it had been decided to apply for certain increases in the Ferry tariff and his Committee now recommended as follows:-

5 RECOMMEND that the action of the Clerk in applying to the P.U.C. for the elimination of the Passenger Commutation Tickets and the Auto Commutation and Weekly Pass from the Ferry Tariff and the substitution of a 10 for \$1.50 Auto Commutation rate be approved, and that the Treasurer be authorized to prepare a suitable brief in support of the application.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Ferry and Transportation Committee be adopted. Carried.

Alderman Cates advised that his Committee had considered the request of the Veteran Taxi and North Vancouver Taxi for a change in the method of assigning taxi stands at the Ferry Wharf.

6 RECOMMEND that no change be made in the present method of allocation of Taxi Stands at the Ferry Wharf, and that the North Van Taxi and Veteran Taxi be advised accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Taxi Committee be adopted. Carried

7 Alderman Cates read a request from Mate H. C. Rush in which the latter asked for leave of absence in order to qualify for a higher grade Certificate by securing employment on a vessel other than a Ferry.

RECOMMEND that Mate H. C. Rush be granted leave of absence for an approximate period of seven months, commencing April 26th, 1950, in order to qualify for an Inland Marine Certificate.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Ferry Committee be adopted. Carried

8 Alderman Cates advised that his Committee had considered the matter of supplying new trousers for the deckhands and after considering several quotations his Committee recommended as follows:-

RECOMMEND that 12 pairs of trousers for deckhands be purchased from Bill's Toggery at a price of \$12.88 per pair.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Ferry Committee be adopted. Carried

SPECIAL COMMITTEE (Alderman Cates re Supt. of Indian Affairs)  
Alderman Cates reported that he had taken up with the Indian Agent the matter of having cleared the large block of land west of Mahon Avenue and between 4th and 5th Streets. He advised that he would like to report progress on the matter at this time.

Alderman Cates advised that he had attended the last Metropolitan Parks Committee meeting and is keeping close watch on their activities on behalf of the City of North Vancouver.

Mayor Goldsworthy commented that a new scheme is being worked out for the development of regional parks instead of the former proposal which would provide for an assessment from certain Municipalities without a vote of the electors - under the new scheme a Municipality would have a chance to refrain from sharing the cost of development of any Parks proposed on a regional basis.

LABOUR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Alderman McDevitt reported that the District of North Vancouver had contracted with the London Life Insurance Company for their Group insurance and he felt that it would be only fair that another firm should be given the City contract.

His Committee therefore recommended as follows:-

RECOMMEND that the Canadian Merchant Service Guild and the National Association of Marine Engineers be advised that this Corporation will share in the cost of an M. S. A. Plan and a Group Insurance Plan on the same basis as offered to other employees of the City.

RECOMMEND that the International Fire-Fighters Association, Local 914 be advised that the Corporation is willing to share in the cost of a Group Insurance Plan for members of its Association on the basis as offered to other employees of the City.

RECOMMEND that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary contracts with the Medical Services Association for medical services and with the Great West Life Assurance Company for group insurance coverage for employees of the City.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Templeton that the above recommendations of the Labour Relations Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the Seafarers' International Union be advised that this Corporation cannot accept the proposed Union clause in its Agreement with the Corporation, but is willing to participate in M. S. A. and Group Insurance plans in accordance with those offered to other employees of the City.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Templeton that the above recommendation of the Labour Relations Committee be adopted. Carried

AMBULANCE AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Alderman Templeton advised that the Committee had given considerable thought to the best method of operating the ambulance. Last year there had been a loss of approximately \$1000.00 on the year's operation. The Committee had finally decided that in the interests of good service to our taxpayers that the Ambulance should be operated from the Fire Hall by firemen qualified in First Aid. In due course a new scale of rates would be submitted to the Council for approval.

Alderman Stewart pointed out that the Underwriters had asked for 8 additional men exclusive of officers and Ambulance drivers and he suggested that the Ambulance Committee and the Fire



Committee should get together and work out a satisfactory solution. He said more firemen would have to be hired than was now authorized in order to get a reduction in insurance rates.

Alderman Gostick said that the whole matter had been discussed when the Estimates were considered and it had been decided to hire an additional seven men, this being all that the City could afford to do at this time. He pointed out that even with the Ambulance out on a call there would still be five firemen on duty. He stated that the firemen themselves agreed that the best method of operating the Ambulance was from the Fire Hall as a piece of Firehall equipment. They did not like the old method of operating the Ambulance. He advised that the Council should decide on the number of firemen they could afford and stick to it.

Alderman Stewart said that the Commissioner is green on the proposal now submitted and he should be considered in the operation of the Ambulance.

Alderman Gostick and Alderman Templeton advised that the Commissioner had heartily agreed to the proposal and the former pointed out that the District's fire cost this year is less than last year and they are getting a reduction in insurance rates.

Further discussion followed.

RECOMMEND that the Fire Chief be instructed to operate the Ambulance as a part of the Fire Department equipment and under his supervision.

Moved by Alderman Templeton, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the above recommendation of the Ambulance Committee be adopted. Carried. Alderman Stewart asked to be recorded as voting against the motion.

RECOMMEND that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Mr. J. Groundwater for his faithful service during the past many years and that the usual one month's pay be granted in accordance with Council policy.

Moved by Alderman Templeton, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Ambulance Committee be adopted. Carried

Alderman Templeton advised that his Committee felt it desirable to take an active part in the operation of the Greater Vancouver Tourist Bureau and that a contribution should also be made to the operation of such Bureau.

RECOMMEND that the sum of \$250.00 be expended from the budget of the Publicity Committee as a contribution toward the expenses of the Greater Vancouver Tourist Association.

Moved by Alderman Templeton, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the above recommendation of the Publicity Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that this Committee be authorized to spend the sum of \$70.00 to aid the Kitsilano Boys Band in their forthcoming tour, in view of the fact that seven members of the Band are from North Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Templeton, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the above recommendation of the Publicity Committee be adopted. Carried

#### NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted an application from Earl Robinson and Clarence Pughe for a fourth taxi license, being 1949 Chev. Sedan, License No. 161-625.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the above application for taxi license be granted. Carried

A request was received from Mr. C. V. Brown, advising that he is only able to pay the sum of \$25.00 towards a sewer connection at this time and he asked that the balance of \$55.00 be added to his current taxes.

His Worship referred this letter to the Board of Works Committee to establish a policy on this, should future applications of a similar nature be received.



The Clerk submitted certificates from the County Court, advising that By-laws No. 1967, 1968, 1969 and 1970 have now been registered in the County Court.

Ordered received and filed.

#### BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 3" be now reconsidered, finally adopted and passed by the Council, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was reconsidered, finally adopted and passed by the Council, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 1971.

All the members of the Council present voted for this By-law.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1950" be introduced and read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1950" be now read a second time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the Committee proceedings be dispensed with and that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1950" be read a third time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a third time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1950" be passed by the Council subject to reconsideration. Carried

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law, 1950, No. 4" be introduced and read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 4" be now read a second time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the Committee proceedings be dispensed with and that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 4" be read a third time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a third time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 4" be passed by the Council subject to reconsideration. Carried

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Letter was received from the Hon. J. H. Cates, advising that our representations with regard to amendment to the "Hospital Act" will be brought to the attention of the Government.

Ordered received and filed.

Letter was received from School District No. 44, advising that the Board had agreed to reduce its 1950 Ordinary Estimates by the sum of \$5600.00.

Ordered acknowledged and received and filed.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

His Worship Mayor Goldsworthy advised that since the last meeting of the Council the community has lost a very well respected citizen, namely Mrs. C. H. Cates, the mother of Alderman Cates and the Honourable John H. Cates and he asked the Council to stand for a few minutes in silence.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the Council adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

  
MAYOR

Minutes of meeting of the Council,  
held in the Council Chamber, City  
Hall, on Monday, April 17th 1950  
at 8 p.m.

Present

His Worship Mayor F.R. Goldsworthy,  
Alderman C. W. Cates, Alderman K.H.  
Gostick, Alderman J. C. McDevitt,  
Alderman A. Stewart, Alderman J.A.S.  
Suttis and Alderman W.L. Templeton.

#### MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the Minutes of the meeting of Council held on April 4th 1950 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been supplied to each member of the Council. Carried

#### CORRESPONDENCE

From Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, advising that although it feels that the removal and conversion of the Wartime Houses should be done by private enterprise, it nevertheless is taking up with its Head Office the City's request that the Housing Corporation look after the removal and conversion of these units.

Mayor Goldsworthy outlined his understanding of the situation to date. He advised that the Council feared that if the houses were moved on an individual basis some of them might never be finished as regards alterations. On the other hand the Council was against the sale of the houses on a mass basis to contractors because of the opportunity for profiteering. The Council is therefore of the opinion that either the conversion should be handled by Central Mortgage and Housing on its own account or that the provisions of the Federal-Provincial-Municipal Housing legislation should be utilized as this would give protection as to the prices for which the houses would be sold.

He advised that Mr. Sinclair, M.P. has a copy of our letter to the Housing Corporation regarding this and will talk with Mr. Mansur upon his return East.

In the meantime the Council ordered the above letter tabled.

Mayor Goldsworthy pointed out that in a recent article in one of the local daily papers it was intimated that the City did not have serviced lots available for new building and he pointed out that this was quite untrue as there was approximately one thousand serviced lots available in the City for new buildings.

From the Minister of Municipal Affairs, extending an invitation to send representatives to the annual conference of the Municipal Officers Association on June 1st and 2nd.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Cates that the Clerk and Comptroller be authorized to attend the above Convention as representatives of this City. Carried

From the North Shore Sports Planning Committee asking if the Council will install back rests for the seats in the Mahon Park Grandstand and also sheet-in the back of the stand.

Alderman Stewart asked that this matter be laid over until he makes his Park's Committee report.

#### APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE TAX SALE PROPERTY

The Clerk presented 4 applications to purchase Tax Sale lots.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the following sales of tax sale land be placed on the next By-law for conveyance:-

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Resub.</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>D.L.</u>	<u>Name of Purchaser</u>	<u>Price</u>
6		6	265	Ernest Scott Livsey & Ian Hamilton	\$775.00
12		10	273	Harold Ambrose Stackhouse Jr.	300.00
4		4	273	Neil Albert Friis & Frances Alexandria Friis	500.00
A	8/9	39	548	Pearl Eileen Bredin	550.00 Carried

DUE ACCOUNTS

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

	58 Finance			\$4,975.51 <sup>v</sup>	
	70 "			2,074.74 <sup>v</sup>	
	71 "			3,327.85 <sup>v</sup>	
	69 Authorization			875.94 <sup>v</sup>	
	64 Police			585.16 <sup>v</sup>	
2.	78 "			67.28 <sup>v</sup>	
	67 Social Welfare			839.82 <sup>v</sup>	
	82 " "			1,105.25 <sup>v</sup>	
	83 " "			3,606.59 <sup>v</sup>	
	62 Health			1,762.32 <sup>v</sup>	
	76 "			13.74 <sup>v</sup>	\$19,234.20 Carried

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

	61 Parks			2,413.67 <sup>v</sup>	
	75 "			98.58 <sup>v</sup>	
3	65 Fire			4,684.00 <sup>v</sup>	
	68 Light			5.11 <sup>v</sup>	
	80 "			1,049.79 <sup>v</sup>	\$ 8,251.15 Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Cates that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:-

4	79 Fire			511.19 <sup>v</sup>	Carried. Alderman Stewart refrained from voting.
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Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

	60 Waterworks			2,865.57 <sup>v</sup>	
	74 "			111.91 <sup>v</sup>	
5	59 Board of Works			9,870.81 <sup>v</sup>	
	72 " "			4,949.70 <sup>v</sup>	
	63 Building			612.30 <sup>v</sup>	
	77 "			16.64 <sup>v</sup>	\$18,426.93 Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Cates that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:-

6	73 Board of Works			4,842.26 <sup>v</sup>	Carried. Alderman Stewart refrained from voting.
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Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Templeton that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

7	66 Ferry			11,802.37 <sup>v</sup>	
	81 "			4,731.97 <sup>v</sup>	\$16,534.34 Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEESFINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Gostick advised that the annual conference of Mayors and Municipalities would be held in Saskatoon in June but it was necessary for reservations to be made by May 1st.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that Mayor Goldsworthy and Deputy Mayor Gostick be authorized to attend the Mayors Conference at Saskatoon in June of this year as representatives of this City. Carried

Alderman Gostick reported that the Solicitor had investigated the matter of policing contracts and had found that because of the new Legislation the R.C.M.P. could take over any Provincial Police contracts entered into by the Municipalities even though the contracts called for policing by the Provincial Police.

Alderman Gostick felt that the Council should have further information on the matter before the new Provincial Policing contract is signed.

RECOMMEND that the Attorney-General be requested to consult with the Municipalities being policed by Provincial Police before any contract affecting the Municipalities is signed by the Province with the R.C.M.P.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried

LEGAL & POLICY COMMITTEE

RECOMMEND that the Lease between the North Vancouver Memorial Community Centre and the Corporation covering the Heywood Community Centre be renewed for a further term, expiring October 31st 1950, and that such renewal contain a covenant that the Lessee must repaint the exterior of the buildings on the premises prior to July 31st 1950.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Legal and Policy Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that Mr. F. D. Goddard be re-appointed for a further term of 3 years on the Town Planning Commission and that Mr. H. J. Malcolm be appointed a member of the Commission, both appointments to take effect as from January 1st 1950.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Legal and Policy Committee be adopted. Carried

PARKS, FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

Alderman Stewart reported that the Swimming Pool Committee had met on April 12th 1950 with a full attendance.

The work for the coming year had been laid out by Superintendent Greenwood and a discussion as to the operation for the coming year took place.

The desirability of a filtration plant this year was also considered. He advised that approximately \$6,000.00 would be forthcoming from the Kinsmen Carnival this year as a contribution towards the cost of installation of filtration equipment. However he said it may be necessary for the City to underwrite the cost, go ahead with the work and be reimbursed by the Kinsmen Club. By so doing it might be possible to have the equipment installed by the middle of July.

Alderman Stewart reported that his Committee had made a tour of the Parks with the Superintendent and found that a great deal of improvement had been carried out at Mahon Park by landscaping around the Pool, widening the access to the Pool and providing suitable Parking space.

It is proposed to sheet-in the Grandstand in Mahon Park but it had not been found possible to install back rests as in many cases the seats had dry rot.

Several of the old buildings in the Park will be demolished and a new Barbecue stand will be constructed.

RECOMMEND that the Ladies Auxiliary to the Fraternal Order of Eagles be advised that its request for the use of Mahon Park for the 24th of May cannot be granted as a Sports Day is being held in the Park on that day by the North Shore Sports Planning Committee in conjunction with the North Shore Schools.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Cates that the above recommendation of the Parks Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the Clerk be authorized to prepare a By-law to expend from Works Reserve the sum of \$2500.00 to provide for the carrying out of the following work in Mahon Park:

- 3 Demolition of certain buildings
- Sheeting-in back of Grandstand
- Installation of Rest-rooms in Grandstand
- Certain road widening and shrubbery.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Parks Committee be adopted. Carried

The Clerk was instructed to advise the North Shore Sports Planning Committee of the work which it is proposed to carry out in Mahon Park as outlined by Alderman Stewart.

RECOMMEND that the B. C. Electric be authorized to install additional lights on Marine Drive and on 13th Street in accordance with the Company's letter of February 16th 1950 and Plan No. T.D. 1479.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above recommendation of the Fire and Light Committee be adopted. Carried

#### BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

RECOMMEND that the request of Mr. C. V. Brown to pay a portion of his sewer connection charge through the tax roll be not granted as the policy of the Council in this regard is to collect the charge prior to the actual connection being made.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Board of Works Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the necessary By-law be prepared to provide for the exchange of lane allowances requested by Mr. W.P. Radford - 430 Somerset Street on March 16th 1950.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Board of Works Committee be adopted. Carried

#### FERRY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be instructed to install a 20' loading zone, centred on the main entrance to the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Express Company, 132 West Esplanade.

RECOMMEND that the policy of this Council on Loading Zones be to establish such zones only where there is no other means of suitable access.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Templeton that the above recommendations of the Transportation Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be authorized to order two pontoons from the Canada Creosoting Co.Ltd., at a total price of \$6063.32 and that the necessary funds be expended from Ferry Reserve for this purpose.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Templeton that the above recommendation of the Ferry Committee be adopted. Carried



RECOMMEND that the Ferry Superintendent be authorized to call for tenders for the construction and installation of the inner section of the East Lead at the Vancouver Wharf, such tenders to be in the hands of the Clerk by 5 p.m. on June 2nd 1950.

Moved by Alderman Cates, seconded by Alderman Templeton that the above recommendation of the Ferry Committee be adopted. Carried

Alderman Cates reported that the B. C. Electric Railway Company have promised to submit a proposal to the Council this coming week for a bus connection at the Vancouver Ferry Terminal.

#### PUBLICITY AND AMBULANCE COMMITTEE

RECOMMEND that Mr. James Sinclair, M.P. be advised that this Council feels there is a need for a local radio station on the North Shore, and would appreciate his co-operation and any support he might be able to give in securing such facilities.

Moved by Alderman Templeton, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above recommendation of the Publicity Committee be adopted. Carried

Alderman Templeton advised that his Committee would like to give further consideration to the matter of Ambulance rates and would probably make a definite recommendation at the next meeting.

Alderman Gostick asked the various Committee Chairmen to ascertain what expenditures they propose to make from Reserve Funds during the year so that these may be tabulated and dealt with at one time.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted the report of the Fire Chief for the month of March 1950.

Ordered received and filed.

The Clerk submitted a certificate from the County Court, Vancouver covering registration of By-law No. 1971. Filed.

#### BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1950" be reconsidered, finally adopted and passed by the Council, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was reconsidered, finally adopted and passed by the Council signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 1972.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 4" be reconsidered, finally adopted and passed by the Council, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was reconsidered, finally adopted and passed by the Council, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 1973.

All the members of the Council present voted for this By-law.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law 1950" be introduced and read a first time. Carried  
Whereupon the By-law was read a first time.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law 1950" be now read a second time. Carried  
Whereupon the By-law was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the Committee proceedings be dispensed with and that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law 1950" be now read a third time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a third time.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law, 1950" be passed by the Council subject to reconsideration. Carried

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the "City of North Vancouver Accident and Sickness Insurance Contribution By-law" be introduced and read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a first time.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the "City of North Vancouver Accident and Sickness Insurance Contribution By-law" be now read a second time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the Committee proceedings be dispensed with and that the "City of North Vancouver Accident and Sickness Insurance Contribution By-law" be now read a third time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a third time.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the "City of North Vancouver Accident and Sickness Insurance Contribution By-law" be passed by the Council subject to reconsideration. Carried

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 5" be introduced and read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 5" be now read a second time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a second time.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the Committee proceedings be dispensed with and that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 5" be now read a third time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read a third time.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1950, No. 5" be passed by the Council subject to reconsideration. Carried

All the members of the Council present voted for this By-law.

#### ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Mr. E. Murphy of the North Vancouver Civic Labour Association was present and asked to be heard.

The Mayor advised that the request of the Association for an audience had been received but that the Clerk had advised the Association that it would be more satisfactory if they met the Building Committee of the Council to discuss the matter in hand, that is the moving and conversion of the Wartime Houses.

Mayor Goldsworthy stated that for this reason the letter from the Association had not been read at this meeting.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Stewart that Mr. Murphy be heard. Carried

Mr. Murphy stated that on April 5th the City had advised his Association that it was writing to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation asking the latter to consider the removal and conversion of the houses by the Housing Corporation in accordance with a suggestion made by the President of Central Mortgage & Housing to City Officials last year.

He said the City had notified the Association that this was being done in order that the houses might be removed to other City lots, altered in accordance with approved plans and re-sold at a reasonable price on terms which could be met by the average individual.

Mr. Murphy said that his Association agreed with the stand taken by the City in this matter but in addition would like the people in the houses to have an opportunity to rent the same. He said that his Association was against the sale of any of the houses to contractors. He did not feel that they should be moved out of the City as they were well constructed as compared with new buildings being built.

He advised that his Association was going to fight for the retention of these houses in North Vancouver and he suggested a meeting of Housing Officials, City officials and representatives of his Association to discuss the matter.

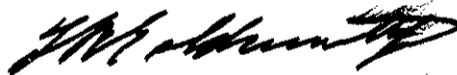
He complained that approximately 20 eviction notices had been served on tenants for non-payment of rent and that such rent had not been paid because of unemployment. His Association thought a Debt Moratorium should be created.

Mayor Goldsworthy said that he was sorry that the Association could not see its way clear to discuss these matters with the Building Committee rather than the Council as the Building Committee had considerable information on the matter and had been working on various proposals for the past four or five months. He said however, that he would again take the matter up with the Provincial and Federal Authorities as there is a strong possibility that a satisfactory scheme might be worked out through the new Housing Legislation either on a purchase or rental basis.

Alderman Suttis stated that he regretted the delegation did not take our suggestion to discuss these matters with his Committee as the latter has a lot of information of interest to the Association and in addition it would have appreciated any help and suggestions which the Association might care to submit.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that this Council do now adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 9.05 p.m.



MAYOR