

Minutes of a Postponed Regular Meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall on Wednesday, September 5, 1951 at 8 p.m.

Present

His Worship Mayor F.R. Goldsworthy, Alderman M.F. Aldous, Alderman K.H. Gostick, Alderman J.C. McDevitt, and Alderman A. Stewart.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Stewart seconded by Alderman Gostick that the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the City Council held on August 20, 1951 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all members of the Council. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

From the Community Chest and Council of Greater Vancouver, requesting permission to erect street banners on Lonsdale at 15th Street and 2nd Street during the coming campaign.

Moved by Alderman Gostick seconded by Alderman Aldous that the Community Chest and Council of Greater Vancouver be given permission to place street banners over Lonsdale Avenue at 15th Street and 2nd Street for a period not exceeding two weeks during the 1951 Campaign. Carried

From the Kinsmen Club of North Vancouver requesting permission to hold its Annual Apple Day in the City on September 29th.

Moved by Alderman Stewart seconded by Alderman Gostick that the Kinsmen Club be given permission to sell apples on City streets and on the Ferry approaches on the occasion of the Club's Annual Apple Day being held on September 29, 1951. Carried

From the Social Welfare Branch of the Department of Health and Welfare advising that all municipalities must share the recent increase in social allowances on an 80/20; 50-50 basis.

His Worship pointed out that this was the basis upon which this City shares the recent increase with the Provincial Government. Accordingly, the circular does not affect this City.

Ordered received and filed.

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY

The Clerk submitted five applications to purchase tax sale land.

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

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>D.L.</u>	<u>Name of Purchaser</u>	<u>Price</u>	
14	9	273	Walter James and Eileen Elizabeth James	\$ 300.00	
11 & E. $\frac{1}{2}$ 12	41	271	Ferdinand Victor LeMoine	525.00	
11 & E. $\frac{1}{2}$ 10	240	545	Knute Nelson	450.00	
7	36A	550	Ethel Catherine Sinclair Petter	400.00	
5 (N. of lane)	6	548	Frederick George Tanner and Winnifred Agnes Tanner	1300.00	Carried

DUE ACCOUNTS

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

191 Social Welfare \$1,718.06 Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Gostick advised that in the absence of Alderman Suttis he wished to submit a recommendation on behalf of the Finance Committee authorizing the execution of a Certificate of Loss with regard to certain interest coupons which had been lost and which had formerly been attached to certain bonds of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, now held by the City.

RECOMMEND that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal with the Corporate Seal, a Certificate of Loss in the form hereto attached, indemnifying the Montreal Trust Company against any further liability for payment of coupon interest amounting to \$345.00 due and now paid for certain coupons which have been lost and which had been attached to the following bonds of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company;

Series "A" - 6%

<u>Bond No.</u>	
197	744
204	745
628	753
631	

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

2 Mayor Goldsworthy pointed out that as a matter of interest that the City has collected a sum of \$42,000.00 from the Bridge already and that any further amounts which will be received this year will be over and above our estimated revenue from this source.

3 Alderman Gostick advised that there were several other matters being considered by the Finance Committee but these will be laid over and considered at a Committee meeting to be held next Monday night.

LEGAL, POLICY & CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

4 Alderman Gostick advised that no definite matters had been referred to his Committee by the Council recently, although he presumed that the application of the B.C. Electric Company for an increase in its fair rate of return would be referred to his Committee for study. In the meantime he said he wished to report progress.

Alderman Gostick said that no doubt many people who read the press will be disappointed as recent news items had indicated that there was an argument going on between the Mayor and himself as to the handling of the Ferry situation. He said that the press had stated that there would definitely be a referendum on the matter of the continuation of the Ferries operation but he said that as far as he knew there had been no discussion by the Council or decision made as to the holding of such a plebiscite.

5 He said that until the nine months financial picture is available no satisfactory decision can be made as to the future operation of the system and he said his Committee was leaving their study of the matter until such a statement was available. He said that he did not think his Committee would go along with the same kind of a plebiscite as that held last year as that kind of a plebiscite was of no help in solving the situation. He said that personally he was not in favour of that kind of a vote being taken because if the electors voted in favour of continuing the operation of the Ferries, this would be of no help in providing the necessary finances to carry on and if the electors voted no, the Council still had the problem of what to do with the Ferries.

Alderman Gostick said that before any plebiscite is taken the Council should take its stand on the matter as it could not expect the people to make a reasonable decision unless the Council has a definite recommendation to make to the electors.

2 Mayor Goldsworthy said as far as he is concerned there will be a plebiscite in December as to whether the electors wish to continue to operate and subsidize the Ferry system. He said that the Council should know prior to the December Elections, the financial position of the Ferries and should be in a position to place this information before the electors. His Worship advised that those people who voted last December on this question should have a right to vote again this year and in fact each year that the problem remains with us.

3 Alderman Gostick re-affirmed his statement that he was not in favour of a plebiscite in the same manner as last year. He said that the electors at that time were told that the Ferry system would incur a \$50,000.00 deficit this year and they have approved of a subsidy of this amount although actually the anticipated cash deficit during 1951 should be only \$43,000.00. He felt that unless the Council feels in its own mind that it is not right to continue the operation of a subsidized ferry system, we should leave the matter entirely alone as the electors have voted in favour of subsidization.

FIRE, LIGHT & PARKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Aldous reported that his Committee had met with interested community groups with a view to improving this year's Christmas lighting. After a great deal of study with Department Heads, the Committee had come to the conclusion that it would be preferable to do away with the former wreaths which had been devised and substitute continuous strings of lights. His Committee therefore recommended as follows:-

4 RECOMMEND that the City Electrician be authorized to proceed with the preparation and purchase of the necessary equipment and materials to provide parallel strings of coloured lights in the business sections of the City during the Christmas season, the said cost not to exceed the sum of \$1,500.00 as provided in the 1951 Estimates.

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above recommendation of the Fire and Light Committee be adopted.

Alderman Stewart said that when he was Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee he had been blamed for criticising his own Committee as to the type of Christmas illumination used. He said that he was now glad to see that what he had said at that time is bearing fruit and that a more improved system of Christmas Lighting has been devised.

Further discussion took place on the motion.
On the motion being put the same was carried unanimously.

Alderman Gostick advised that Fire Chief Thomson will be absent on vacation from September 9th to the 30th.

5 RECOMMEND that Captain William Galbraith be appointed Acting Fire Chief during the absence of Fire Chief William Thomson on vacation from September 9th to September 30th, 1951.

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

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

6 Alderman McDevitt advised that in the absence of Alderman Cates, he wished to submit a recommendation from the Board of Works Committee with regard to the improvement of Dudley Road and a portion of Fell Avenue from 20th to 21st Streets.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be authorized to proceed with the construction of a new sub-grade on Dudley Road from 21st Street north to the City boundary and on Fell Avenue from 20th Street north to 21st Street, the cost of the said work to be taken, if necessary, from Works Reserve.

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

2 Mayor Goldsworthy then asked the Clerk to write to the residents in the Dudley Road and upper Fell Avenue area advising them that the City will proceed with the construction of a new sub-grade on Dudley Road and a portion of Fell Avenue and that due to the considerable amount of work involved in reconstructing this road, it will have to be closed to traffic for a period of approximately two weeks.

Mr. B.A. Grant, 720 Westmoreland Crescent was present and thanked the Council for authorizing the improvement to the roads in his area.

FERRY COMMITTEE

3 Alderman McDevitt said that during the discussion on the Ferry situation between His Worship and Alderman Gostick, he purposely refrained from speaking as he had certain information which he wished to place before the Council on this matter. He said that there had been a great deal of irresponsible statements made outside of the Council as to the position of the Ferries but he said that the Council members are in a position to know exactly where the Ferries stand.

He then submitted the following traffic report from the Ferry Superintendent for the month of August, 1951 as compared with the same month last year;-

"August, 1951

No. of vehicles carried	<u>12,042</u>
No. of passengers through Vancouver turnstiles	60,980
No. of passengers through North Vanc. turnstiles	53,353
No. of passengers carried in vehicles	<u>9,022</u>
Total passengers carried	123,355

August, 1950

No. of vehicles carried	10,501
No. of passengers carried	131,338"

4 Alderman McDevitt maintained that actually the Ferry situation is not bad even after considering that the above figures include the good months of July and August. He said that he had received a comparative statement of Ferry Revenues for January 1st to August 31st, 1951 compared with the same period last year and that copies of this would be made available to the members of the Council and to the press. He pointed out that such statement indicates that there has been a marked improvement in the operating position of the Ferry system.

5 Mayor Goldsworthy said that he wished that he could share Alderman McDevitt's optimistic views on the Ferries. He said that he personally had been speaking of a \$50,000.00 deficit but that possibly this will be a \$43,000.00 deficit. However, he pointed out that the Ferry situation is something that we must face within the next six weeks in order to give our people the necessary information before the December elections. He pointed out that if it has taken the Council

a year to gather the necessary information as to the future operation of the Ferries, we can't expect our people to be fully informed on this matter at the last minute. He said that the members of the City Council should individually and collectively come to some concrete decision on the matter not later than October 17th.

Alderman McDevitt said that he agreed with His Worship as to the necessity of advising the electors at an early date as to the Ferry system and that if any publication is made it should be brief and factual.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Alderman McDevitt advised that there had been several accidents at the corner of Ridgeway and 11th Street and that Staff Sergeant MacAndrew had recommended the installation of stop signs on a trial basis at this intersection.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be authorized to install stop signs on a trial basis at the following locations:

1. At the north-west corner of the intersection of 11th Street and Ridgeway Avenue.
2. At the south-east corner of the intersection of 11th Street and Ridgeway Avenue.

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

Alderman McDevitt reported that due to the construction of a new service station on the north-west corner of 23rd Street and Lonsdale that it would be necessary in the interests of safety and convenience to move the present B.C. Electric bus stop on the north side of 23rd Street to a point further west.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be instructed to make the necessary arrangements with the B.C. Electric to move the bus stop on the north side of 23rd Street at Lonsdale Avenue to a location further west on the same street to permit the construction of safe access to and egress from the Tremblay Service Station, provided that the latter pays the full cost of the expense involved.

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

NEW BUSINESS

3 The Clerk submitted the report of the Police Department for the month of August, 1951.
Ordered received and filed.

4 The Clerk submitted the report of the Fire Department for the month of August, 1951.
Ordered received and filed.

The Clerk submitted a notice from the Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada advising that the Board will hold a hearing in Vancouver on October 9, 1951 to deal with the application of the B.C. Telephone Company for revisions of certain long distance message tolls and exchange service tariffs.

5 His Worship pointed out that it seems strange that the sitting of the Board had been set for October 9th as this was the first day of the Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention in Harrison where most of the elected representatives would be in conference. Accordingly, he had instructed the Clerk to write to the Board asking if the hearing of the Board could be changed to either the week before or the week after the said Convention.
Ordered received and filed.

6 The Clerk reported that By-law No. 2043 was now registered in the County Court, Vancouver.
Ordered received and filed.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1951, No. 8" be now 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 Tax Lands Sale By-law 1951, No. 8" be 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 1951, No. 8" be 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 Tax Lands Sale By-law 1951, No. 8" be passed by the Council subject to reconsideration.

All the members of the Council present voted for this Bylaw.

Alderman Aldous then left the Council Chamber.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A letter was received from Mr. T.D. MacDonald of the Combines Investigation Commission, acknowledging receipt of a copy of a letter from the North Shore Chapter of the Congress of Canadian Women with reference to the price of Bread.

Ordered received and filed.

2 Letter was received from the Secretary of James Sinclair, M.P. advising that advice had now been received from the Postmaster General's Department to the effect that additional carriers have been authorized in the North Vancouver Postal Station and accordingly the letter carrier delivery can now be made to the 400 Block East 25th and East 26th Streets.

The Clerk was instructed to thank Mr. Sinclair's Secretary for her successful efforts in this matter and was also instructed to advise Mr. E.G. Thomson, 402 East 25th Street of the result of the Council's negotiations.

Letter was received from the Public Utilities Commission advising that it has received an application from the B.C. Electric Company Limited to have its fair rate of return increased to 7½%. The Commission advised that this application together with the Company's application for an interim increase in electric rates will be heard during the week commencing September 24, 1951.

3 Alderman Gostick said that he felt that this was a very important matter and would take a lot of study. He pointed out, however, that there is only a matter of two weeks to work out any information and that a lot more time is required in order to give effective study and gather any necessary data. He advised that the City of Vancouver have asked for a postponement of the hearing and he felt that we should add our voice to their request. He felt that the new application of the Company is more important than any other application they have made. He said that the Company had received the consent of the Commission years ago to pool their power and transit rates but whether or not they were making the allowed 5.8% profit, he did not know, although apparently they were not. Personally, he was inclined to feel that the Company should pool all of its resources including B.C. Power Company for the purpose of computing its allowable profit. He said the whole situation, however, was very complicated but that one thing was clear and that was, those people using electricity will certainly pay a lot more to cover the transportation deficits.

Alderman Gostick moved that the Public Utilities Commission be requested to postpone the proposed date of hearing of the application of the B.C. Electric for an increase in its fair rate of return. There was no seconder.

Mayor Goldsworthy said he felt that this was not a matter which would take any considerable time. He said that the Company is now allowed to earn from 5.3% to 5.8% but that they have actually been making a profit of only 4%. He said that an increase in the fair rate of return of the Company will allow the Company to borrow new money on an improved basis. He pointed out that of the other Provinces of Canada there are only four that have Public Utility Commissions and that outside of B.C. there are only two commissions who have a fixed profit for utility companies and in these cases the profits allowed are 7% and 7½%. He said the situation is as simple as that and that is a matter for the Public Utilities Commission to handle. He said that he agreed that the Council should interest itself in the application of the B.C. Telephone Company because the Public Utilities Commission did not have jurisdiction in this case. On the other hand he said that if the Council feels that 7½% is too high a profit for the B.C. Electric, the Council should say so, but personally he was of the opinion that there are much more important things, such as Education costs which should be taking the attention of the Council.

Alderman Gostick pointed out that this is the only Province which allows utility companies to pool their various utility rates. He said it would not be too bad except that in this case one of the utilities is losing considerable money while the other one shows a considerable profit.

Alderman Stewart said that as the City of Vancouver is going to submit a Brief to the Public Utilities Commission and have a much larger interest in the matter, we should go along with them so that the Greater Vancouver area can be represented.

Alderman Gostick reiterated his claim that the date of the hearing should be advanced.

Alderman McDevitt said that he could not see any point in advancing the date of hearing and did not feel that there was any benefit in making such a request. He said he did not think that this Council should side with Vancouver or West Vancouver necessarily as in many cases he felt their position was a negative one. He recommended that if any action is to be taken by this Council we should do so on the 24th of September.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the letter from the Public Utilities Commission be received and referred to the Legal and Policy Committee for consideration.
Carried

A letter was received from the Memorial Community Centre asking that the Council give a grant in aid to help the Centre continue its program activities for the balance of the year.

His Worship referred this request to the Finance Committee to consider at its next meeting.

Letter was received from the B. C. Telephone Company advising that there is no increase proposed in the Vancouver telephone rates as a result of the inclusion of the North and other exchanges in the proposed free calling area, although there would be an increase in the local flat rates.

Ordered received and filed.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

The Clerk advised that it will be necessary to appoint five official delegates to the 1951 Convention of the Union of B.C. Municipalities.

His Worship suggested that as in preceding years the Mayor, Acting Mayor and the three Aldermen whose terms expire next year, be appointed.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt, that Mayor F. R. Goldsworthy, Acting Mayor K. H. Gostick, Alderman M. F. Aldous, Alderman J. C. McDevitt and Alderman J. A. Suttis be appointed as the official delegates representing this City at the 1951 Convention of the Union of B.C. Municipalities and that the Union be so advised. Carried

Mayor Goldsworthy reported that a memorandum had been prepared by Mr. Richards on Education Costs not only for the City of North Vancouver but for the Province as a whole. He said that the basic idea is simple. At present the Province is paying enough money through its grants (including Motor Vehicle and School Construction) to pay for the cost of administering Education, Social Welfare, Hospital and Health Unit facilities. These are services to persons which we contend are the direct responsibility of the Senior Governments. Our proposal will not cost the Provincial Government any more money. At the present time we get certain grants from the Province and we pay a certain percentage of the cost of Education and Social Welfare, but in lieu of sharing such costs we propose that the Province pay 100% of these services which are to persons, and the Municipalities would assume 100% of the cost of school construction. He estimated the saving that would result would be around \$34,000. to this City.

Mayor Goldsworthy said that the additional amount which the Province would have to find to pay the municipal share of the services to persons would be about \$4,286,000 per year. This is almost exactly the same amount which the Province would be relieved of by the municipalities assuming the full cost of school construction.

He pointed out also that the present method of distributing the S. S. and M. A. Tax was very inequitable. Some Cities such as Vancouver, New Westminster and Victoria receive an amount equal to \$88.00 per pupil, yet the City of North Vancouver receives \$52.00 per pupil, and the District only \$46. per pupil. Villages receive S. S. and M. A. Tax grants but do not have any education costs to bear. In addition, he said that Mayor Goldsworthy said that the B. C. average grant from S. S. and M. A. sources is \$66.00 per pupil. If we could get ours up to that average there would be a considerable saving to us. The larger cities such as Vancouver would bear a larger share of the cost of education but because of their large population in relation to their school population would be better able to do so.

Mayor Goldsworthy then asked the Council to study the proposal and consider same at the Committee meeting next Monday evening and if agreeable submit the Brief to the other Municipalities and the 1951 Convention in October.

He then thanked Mr. Richards for the preparation of the draft brief pointing out that the figures therein are a summary of the detailed data which Mr. Richards has on file.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that this Council now adjourn. Carried
Whereupon the Council adjourned at 9.05 p.m.



MAYOR.

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, September 17th 1951 at 8 p.m.

Present

His Worship Mayor F.R. Goldsworthy,
Alderman M.F. Aldous, Alderman K.H. Gostick, Alderman J.C. McDevitt, Alderman A. Stewart and Alderman J. A. Suttis.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the Minutes of the Postponed Regular meeting of the Council, held on September 5th 1951 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all members of the Council. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

1 From Mr. H.B. Miles, 2233 Fell Avenue, requesting a name for the Lane at the rear of the 2200 Block Fell Avenue.

Referred to Board of Works Committee report.

2 From Mrs. Wm. Smith, 328 East 13th Street, requesting lane improvements.

Referred to Board of Works Committee report.

Circular from the B.C. Aviation Council, was read, extending an invitation for Council members to attend the 1951 Conference on October 12th following the U.B.C.M. Convention.

3 His Worship felt that there was little chance of an airport being developed on the North Shore at least, not without some considerable expense but he suggested that if possible some members of the Council might agree to stay over and attend this Conference.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the B. C. Aviation Council be advised that if possible this City will have a representative at the Annual Conference to be held on October 12th. Carried

4 From Seaboard Advertising Co. Ltd., making application to erect three poster panels on Lots 28 and 29, Block 228, D.L. 545.

Referred to Board of Works Committee report.

From Mr. George Scholes on behalf of the North Vancouver Traffic and Safety Council setting out a revised draft of the policy, powers and duties of the proposed Traffic Committee.

5 His Worship said that Mr. Scholes had previously submitted a proposed draft of such a Committee but that the Council had turned it back for amendment and revision, being of the opinion that some of the powers requested would be an infringement on the powers that are exercised by the Council and its officials.

Alderman McDevitt felt that the new draft as now submitted by Mr. Scholes was quite modified.

Alderman Gostick said he would like to know how the proposed Committee is to be financed.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that this matter be referred to the Transportation Committee for consideration and report. Carried

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE TAX SALE PROPERTY

The Clerk submitted four applications and inquiries to purchase tax sale property.

6 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>Block</u>	<u>D.L.</u>	<u>Name of Purchaser</u>	<u>Price</u>
14	157	271/4	Dona Straiton	\$300.00
9	90	550	Joseph Hoffner	\$500.00 Carried

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Gostick that Mr. Alfred Hewett be advised that Lots 1 to 16, Block 13, D.L. 272 are on reserve for Industrial replotting and accordingly will not be sold at this time. Carried

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that Mr. Charles E. Harper, 571 West 28th Street be advised that Lots 1 and 2, Block 243, D.L. 544 are being reserved from sale because of the fact that a creek traverses this property and accordingly the said property will not be sold to any person. Carried

PETITIONS

The Clerk submitted a petition on a Local Improvement form for the construction of a sand sidewalk on 27th Street between Lonsdale and St. George's Avenue.

The Clerk advised that inasmuch as it is not the Council's policy to construct sand sidewalks under the "Local Improvement Act" the petition had not been certified under the Act, but had been considered by the Board of Works Committee at its last meeting and a recommendation regarding same would be made later on this evening.

Referred to Board of Works Committee report.

DUE ACCOUNTS

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

192	Finance	\$10,297.23	
203	"	984.34	
202	Authorization	76,292.30	
200	Social Welfare	857.26	
215	" "	496.73	
196	Health	2,253.83	
209	"	13.78	\$91,195.47 Carried

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

198	Police	\$ 1,112.18	
211	"	634.13	\$ 1,746.31 Carried

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

199	Fire	\$ 7,138.86	
212	"	2,183.04	
213	Light	1,156.53	
195	Parks	3,769.01	
208	"	239.57	\$14,487.01 Carried

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

193	Board of Works	\$ 8,390.11	
205	" "	4,284.87	
206	" "	4,909.13	
197	Building	693.72	
210	"	22.44	\$18,300.27 Carried

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

201	Ferry	\$16,786.58	
214	"	2,846.00	\$19,632.58 Carried

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

194	Waterworks	\$ 4,382.59	
207	"	94.10	\$ 4,476.69 Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEESFINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Suttis advised that his Committee had felt it desirable to adopt a definite policy covering the sale of single lots in large blocks of commercial or industrial property owned by the Corporation so that such Blocks would not be spoiled for use by some large business concern.

RECOMMEND that the Council adopt a policy of not selling any single lots it owns in the centre of large blocks of commercial or industrial property owned by the Corporation and that wherever possible sales be made from either end of such block.

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

Alderman Suttis advised that on June 5th 1951 the Council had agreed to make a grant to the North Vancouver Memorial Community Centre with certain conditions attached. Since that time however, the Centre has reorganized and a new budget had been submitted to his Committee. He said that it was now the desire of the Committee to remove the former restrictions which were attached to the original Grant made to the Centre and in order to do that it would be necessary to rescind a resolution passed respecting this matter on June 5th 1951.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the resolution passed on June 5th 1951 with respect to a Grant to the North Vancouver Memorial Community Centre be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the resolution passed on June 5th 1951 with respect to a grant to the North Vancouver Memorial Community Centre be rescinded. Carried

RECOMMEND that a Grant of \$750.00 be now made to the North Vancouver Memorial Community Centre. The Council will give further consideration to the Centre's position before December 31st 1951 based on their actual operating figures to the end of the year.

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

Alderman Suttis said that this does not mean that the Centre is out of its troubles and that everything is plain sailing. He said that they have submitted a revised budget and his Committee feels that they have made a determined effort to put the Centre on a sound footing.

Alderman Gostick pointed out that the grant which is now being authorized is an emergency grant for the purpose of helping the Centre re-establish itself. He said that it was always the Council's opinion that the Centre did not come within the scope of organizations which should receive financial assistance from the City. He pointed out however, that where such organizations have shown the desire to provide a service to the citizens of the Community the Council has followed the policy of giving a Grant for this specified purpose to enable them to make a successful start.

On the motion being put the same was carried unanimously.

Alderman Suttis advised that an application had been received from Mr. A. Hewett on behalf of a client to purchase or lease industrial property on 1st Street.

RECOMMEND that Mr. Hewett be advised that the Council is willing to sell Lot 16 or Lot 24, Block 167, D.L. 274 immediately to his client and at the same time is willing to lease any or all of the balance of the Lots 16 to 24 at an annual rental of 2 cents per square foot plus normal taxes.

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

WATERWORKS & INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE

Alderman Stewart asked for permission to present his report as he had to leave this Council meeting at 8.30 p.m. Permission was granted.

Alderman Stewart then advised that he had attended a meeting in the Vancouver City Hall last week of the Metropolitan Industrial Commission. He said that the only change in the situation from his previous report is that the Commission has approached a Mr. Ekman to take the Chairmanship of the Commission and he will, when he takes over, have the same voting privileges as the members of the Commission. Alderman Stewart said that Mr. Ekman is retired and has had lots of industrial experience and everybody feels that he will be an A.1 man for the job and will be neutral as between Municipalities. The meetings of the Industrial Commission will be held on the second Thursday of each month. He said that an Advertising Committee is being organized and that North Vancouver will be represented on such Committee.

Alderman Stewart said that he will appreciate any other member of the Council attending these meetings of the Commission with him.

Alderman Stewart then left the Council Room.

LEGAL & POLICY COMMITTEE

2 Alderman Gostick reported that he did not have any official report to make. He said there were several matters that he would like to discuss with the other members of the Council, when this Council meeting is over.

3 Alderman Gostick advised that because of the requirements of the Superannuation Commissioner it would be necessary to pass a resolution granting leave of absence to Miss Elsa Carlson who has been absent from her duties as Police Court stenographer for reasons of health.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that Miss Elsa Carlson, Police Court Stenographer, be granted leave of absence without pay, for the period commencing May 1st 1951 and extending until September 30th 1951. Carried

FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

4 Alderman Aldous said that his Committee did not have any particular recommendations to make this evening but he wished to draw to the attention of the Council the remarkable record which had been established in the matter of fire control during the month of August. He said that there had been no loss at all in the City during August and that the report for the District of North Vancouver showed that only \$50.00 loss had been sustained in that Municipality and that had been covered by insurance.

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

5 Alderman McDevitt advised that in the absence of Alderman Cates, Chairman of the Board of Works Committee, he would like to submit certain resolutions which had been agreed to at the last Committee meeting:

6 RECOMMEND that the lane at the rear of the 2200 block Fell Avenue be given a name as requested by Mr. H.B. Miles, and that the property owners affected be given the opportunity of selecting the name to be used.

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

7 RECOMMEND that Mrs. Patricia Smith be advised that a lane could be constructed between 13th and 14th Streets and St. Andrew's and Ridgeway Avenues, under the Local Improvement Act, or as an alternative, the portion of lane could be constructed at the rear of the properties concerned by

each owner paying cash for such work, but in either case any land required for this lane must be deeded to the City for dedication.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick and the above recommendation of the Board of Works Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that Superintendent Greenwood draw up a policy relating to surface treatment of boulevards in the City, and draw up a policy relating to culverts.

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

Mayor Goldsworthy pointed out that the Board of Works Department has followed a policy during the past three years of providing surface treatment for boulevards where it is desired by the owners. He said that he thought it was a good idea to make the fact known to our citizens that such surface treatment can be obtained at a cost to the owner of 60 cents per front foot which covered the area from the property line to the edge of the road. He said of course that it should be borne in mind that any extra fill or culverts would be additional to the above 60 cents per front foot.

On the motion being put the same was carried unanimously.

RECOMMEND that authorization be given to prepare a By-law to change the name of Dudley Road from the City boundary south to 21st Street to the name of Edgemont Boulevard.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. T. E. O'Neill and other Petitioners under the provisions of the Local Improvement Act, be advised that the construction of a sand sidewalk on 27th Street between Lonsdale and St. George's Avenues, cannot be made under the provisions of the Act, and the City Budget for 1951 does not allow for such work to be done this year.

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

Alderman McDevitt advised that the B.C. Electric Railway Co., Ltd., had requested certain changes in four bus stops of the local system. He said that this had been considered by the Board of Works Committee which had now recommended as follows:-

RECOMMEND that

(a) The proposed eastbound stop on Marine Drive at Hamilton Avenue, instead of the existing stop on the west side of McKay Avenue north of Marine Drive, be approved;

(b) The B.C.E.R. Company be notified that the City has no jurisdiction over the location of the stop as proposed on Marine Drive west of Bewicke Avenue, and that if such a stop is desired the Provincial Government be approached.

(c) The proposed stop on the west side of Lonsdale Avenue south of 27th Street to replace the present stop on the north side of 27th Street east of Lonsdale, be approved, and that the existing stop on the west side of Lonsdale Avenue north of 27th Street be discontinued; southbound Upper Lonsdale buses in future using the new stop on the west side of Lonsdale south of 27th Street.

(d) The request that the existing eastbound stop on 15th Street at Bewicke Avenue be relocated on the east side of Bewicke north of 15th Street, be not approved, but the Committee would approve of buses stopping on 15th Street approximately 100 feet west of the present Stop Sign. Since buses must stop at the intersection of 15th and Bewicke, the Committee does not see any point making any other change at this time.

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

RECOMMEND that the application of Seaboard Advertising Co., Ltd., to erect three advertising panels on Lots 28 and 29, Block 228, D.L. 545 be refused.

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

NEW BUSINESS

A tender was received from Mr. J. Titos #1 Lonsdale Avenue, offering the sum of \$275.00 per month as a rental of the Ferry Coffee bars.

2 Alderman McDevitt suggested that this offer should be turned over to the Ferry Committee for consideration pointing out that while it was a larger rental than was now being received, nevertheless there were other factors which must be considered.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Gostick that this matter be referred to the Ferry Committee for consideration and report. Carried

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the "Fire Department Regulation By-law, 1951" in the form attached to this resolution be now 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 "Fire Department Regulation By-law, 1951" 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 "Fire Department Regulation By-law, 1951" 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 "Fire Department Regulation By-law, 1951" 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, 1951, No. 8" 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 2044.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A letter was received from the Public Utilities Commission advising that a Public Hearing of the Commission will be held on September 24th 1951 in the Medical Dental Building, Vancouver, commencing at 10 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing the recent general increase in electrical rates made by the B.C.E.R. Company and its subsidiaries.

3 In the same letter the Commission advised that the application of the above Companies for an increase in "Fair Return" will be dealt with separately at a later date.

Alderman Gostick pointed out that he was sure that the matter of an increase in the "Fair Return" of the B.C.E.R. Company and its subsidiaries would be discussed at the 1951 Convention of the U.B.C.M.

Alderman Gostick said that the Hearing which is to be held on the 24th will consider increases in domestic rates which were granted on an interim basis in March of this year and will also consider interim increases granted in the Company's commercial and industrial rates. He said that the City has prepared no briefs against these latter two applications.

His Worship referred the letter from the Public Utilities Commission to the Legal and Policy Committee for study and any action it deems necessary.

Letter was received from the Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada, advising that it regrets that it cannot grant the request of the City for a change in the date of the Hearing of the B.C. Telephone Company's application for increased rates and accordingly the same will be held in Vancouver on October 9th.

2 Mayor Goldsworthy pointed out that it would be difficult for any of the elected representatives of the affected Municipalities to be present because October 9th is the opening date of the U.B.C.M. Convention. However, he said that Mr. Richards, City Comptroller, will be present at the hearing on behalf of the City.

A letter was received from the B.C. Telephone Company extending an invitation to send a representative to scrutinize the opening and counting of the extended service ballots which will be counted on October 3rd 1951.

3 Mayor Goldsworthy said that he felt the citizens of North Vancouver would expect the City to have a representative present on the above occasion and he suggested that the City Clerk be present as the Council's representative.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the City Clerk be authorized to attend the counting of the B.C. Telephone Company's extended service ballots on October 3rd 1951. Carried

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Mayor Goldsworthy said that he would like to report to the Council with regard to certain changes in the operation of the Second Narrows Bridge. He said that an application had been made to the Board of Transport Commissioners to alter the collection methods of the Bridge both for auditing purposes and for the purpose of speeding up traffic. He said the principle of such change had been tentatively approved by the Board of Transport Commissioners and that now a 30 day period is required for the hearing of any objections to such change. The principal alteration would be that there would be one fare for the car including all passengers which is the same practise followed on the Pattulo Bridge. The rates he said for one non-commercial vehicle would be 20 cents instead of the former fare of 15 cents for car and driver plus 5¢ for each passenger. He said that on the First Narrows Bridge the charge is 25¢ per car at the present time but this does not include passengers.

4 On the Second Narrows Bridge a commutation card good for 8 trips for \$1.00 and valid for a period of three months from the date of issue will also be available. This might be compared with the First Narrows Bridge commutation ticket of 12 trips for \$2.00 but the latter does not include passengers. The Second Narrows Bridge will also sell a weekly pass valid until 7 a.m. on the Monday following date of issue, giving a maximum of 16 trips for the sum of \$1.00. This might be compared with the First Narrows Bridge tariff of 24 trips for \$1.25 but again this does not include passengers. The truck tariff has been simplified and there will be a single fare of 20¢ for trucks not over 4,500 lbs. and 30¢ for trucks over 4,500 lbs.

All cars will be required to stop and have their commutation tickets punched. The stubs of same will then be tallied at the end of the day. New toll booths are to be constructed and have been approved by the Directors. Tenders for this work are to be in by September 26th. Such toll booths would

handle two lines of traffic each way and would be located approximately 400 feet north of the present site. Offices will be constructed above the toll booths for the purpose of handling the accounting and clerical administration.

Mayor Goldsworthy reported that repair work is proceeding satisfactorily on the Bridge approaches. He said there were several alterations to be made to take place on the south end of the Bridge which included widening of some portions of the approaches. It is hoped to have this work completed at the end of the month he stated.

He said the City of Vancouver will then extend its black topping to the south boundary of the Bridge by October 15th. He advised also that certain work also had been done under the Bridge trestles which carries the roadway from the Vancouver side to the Bridge itself.

Mayor Goldsworthy reported that changes in the design in the north end approaches had been completed and are awaiting the approval of the Directors at the next meeting.

Mayor Goldsworthy reported that the Bridge revenue is standing up very well and that the City will receive this year more than it estimated for in its 1951 Estimates.

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

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 9.05 p.m.



MAYOR