

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday, October 3rd 1952 at 5.30 p.m.

Present.

Alderman E. N. Copping, Alderman V.M. Johnson, Alderman J. C. McDevitt, Alderman A. Stewart and Alderman J. A. Suttis.

His Worship Mayor Goldsworthy arrived at 5.35 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Christie McDevitt took the Chair until His Worship Mayor Goldsworthy arrived.

The Clerk reported that this Special Meeting had been posted for 24 hours as required by the "Municipal Act" and had been called for the consideration of any regular business.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1952, No. 15" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1952, No. 15" be finally adopted and passed, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and registered pursuant to the "Municipal Act." Carried

Whereupon the By-law was finally adopted and passed, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 2121.

Alderman Copping refrained from voting.

The Mayor entered and took his seat.

COMMUNITY CENTRE GRANT

Alderman Suttis stated that the last time we spoke about this Grant every member of the Council had different ideas and everyone was going to come back with a suggestion as to how they wished to see it handled. It evolved around the Civil Defence. We were going to ask Mr. Cartwright of the Community Centre to take over the duties of Office Manager for the North Shore area provided the three Municipalities agreed and we were all agreed on this but so far we have not heard from West Vancouver. He said while the District has not officially said so, their representative is in favour. He said this means an expense of about \$50.00 per month for extra help for Mr. Cartwright and on top of this the Community Centre wants \$1000.00. He said they had \$1200.00 last year and nothing this year so far; their first request being for \$1500.00 this year.

Alderman Suttis stated the Community Centre have kept down to economical operating and are trying to do good work with the help of the Police. He said he thought we could give them \$1000.00 and a little rent for Civil Defence. He said it seems unfair to drag it along any longer.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the North Vancouver Community Centre be given a grant of \$1000.00. Carried

NEON SIGN

Alderman McDevitt reported on the application of Neon Products of Western Canada Ltd., to put up a "Province" Neon Sign over the Paine Hardware Building. He said after seeing the sign and talking with some officials he thinks that we should amend the By-law to get it. He said it is a beautiful sign and he thinks it would be an acquisition to the City. He said it tends to be rather gloomy in that part of the Town and the sign would brighten it up.

A discussion took place and Alderman McDevitt explained that the Sign is very big and the By-law at present does not allow such a large sign and also it has to be attached to a building strong enough to hold it.

The Mayor suggested it might be better up at 8th and Lonsdale over Barlow's but Alderman McDevitt said that building would not hold it.

Alderman McDevitt said it was thought that the Paine Hardware building would be suitable but the Sign people would have to see the roof first as the sign is very heavy.

It was agreed that if the Neon Products of Western Canada Ltd., find a suitable location for the "Province" Sign the Council would be prepared to amend the Sign By-law.

Letter was read from School District No. 44 in which they amended the date for filing Supplementary Extraordinary Estimates, to October 20th 1952.

Filed.

DOG POUND

Alderman Suttis stated the Council would remember that we were going to do away with the present arrangement with the S.P.C.A. and take the present man on the City Staff. However, since that time the S. P. C. A. officials have interviewed himself and Mayor Goldsworthy and they are very upset about the whole thing and the matter was left in abeyance.

His Worship suggested that it should be left in abeyance for a bit more.

Alderman Suttis said at the present time the Treasurer is probably being asked questions by the Pound man and he would like to have a ruling of the Council.

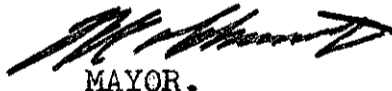
Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Suttis that Mr. Richards, City Comptroller, be notified to continue the former arrangement with the S. P. C. A. until October 31st 1952, re dog pound.

Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the Council adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 5.55 p.m.



MAYOR.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER

IN THE MATTER OF

A By-law relating to the submission of an agreement between The Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company and Canadian National Railway Company and The Canadian Northern Railway Company to the vote of the electors entitled to vote on any by-law for raising money upon the credit of the Municipality.

I, Ronald Clement Gibbs, Returning Officer hereby certify that the votes of the Electors entitled to vote on any By-law for raising money upon the credit of The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver was duly taken on the 3rd day of October 1952, pursuant to the said By-law by ballot on the question "Yes" or "No" in the following form:-

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER		
"CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER SECOND NARROWS BRIDGE BY-LAW 1952"		
	Yes	No
Do you assent to the Agreement between The Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company the Canadian National Railway Company and The Canadian Northern Railway Company as set forth in the Schedule to the above mentioned By-law ?		
If you are in favour of the above Agreement mark "X" under the word "Yes" above.		
If you are not in favour of the above Agreement mark "X" under the word "No" above.		

And I hereby state and certify that the number of the said votes cast in favour of the said agreement on the taking of the said votes as aforesaid was 2225 votes and that the number of the said votes cast against the said agreement on the taking of the said votes as aforesaid was 728 votes.

Dated and signed by me at the City of North Vancouver on this 3rd day of October 1952.

"R.C.GIBBS"
RETURNING OFFICER

named by the Council of The Corporation
of the City of North Vancouver for the
taking of said votes.

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, October 20th 1952 at 8 p.m.

Present

His Worship Mayor F. R. Goldsworthy, Alderman M. F. Aldous, Alderman E. N. Copping, Alderman V. M. Johnson, 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 Special meeting of the Council, held on September 29th 1952 and of the Special meeting held on October 3rd 1952 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to each member of the Council. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

From Mayor R. E. Sang, President, Union of B. C. Municipalities advising that -

- (1) The Convention Minutes will be mimeographed and distributed shortly.
- (2) Resolutions of the previous year will be dealt with along with those of the current year.
- (3) The Executive will meet the Provincial Cabinet early in November for the purpose of submitting Union matters.
- (4) A Committee consisting of Mayor F. H. Jackson, Reeve W.R. Beamish and Mayor W. A. Rathbun was appointed to look into the matter of appointing an Executive Director and would be pleased to receive suggested names from any Municipalities.

Mayor Goldsworthy asked the Council to think over the matter of suggesting a name for the Executive Director of the Union and to forward any suggestions to the Chairman, Mayor Jackson of New Westminster.

The letter was then ordered received and filed.

From Croft and Clela Haynes, 2128 Grand Boulevard, requesting permission to use a portion of the unopened lane allowance East of their property for the purpose of erecting a temporary carport.

Petition was received from Mr. & Mrs. Comba and Mrs. Annie L. J. Shannon protesting against the granting of any permission as requested by Mr. and Mrs. Haynes.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Stewart that this matter be left until a Committee of the Council has had a chance to examine the location. Carried

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that this matter be referred to the Board of Works Committee for investigation and report. Carried

Mayor Goldsworthy said that he had inspected the location and found that the only access to the property was by a lane and that some reasonable provision should be made to take care of the request of Mr. & Mrs. Haynes because of the fact that their premises are on a very steep side hill.

Mr. Comba was present at the meeting.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that Mr. Comba be allowed to speak to the Council on this matter. Carried

Mr. Comba advised that he owned six lots on either side of the lane allowance which Mr. & Mrs. Haynes desire to use. He said he had offered part of his own property to the latter to use for garage purposes but this offer had not been accepted. He said that the new owners (Mr. & Mrs. Haynes) have dug into the lane allowance already and he said he had no objection to this although he pointed out that they are undermining his hedge. He said he objected to unsightly posts being put in and the building to be erected would probably be unsightly.

Mayor Goldsworthy said he was sure that the Committee would go into this matter thoroughly and he was sure it was not the intention of Mr. & Mrs. Haynes to erect a building which would deteriorate the area.

From the Fraternal Order of Eagles expressing appreciation to the City and the Works Department Staff for their help and co-operation in clearing a playground for the Neighbourhood House.

1 Alderman McDevitt said that the Eagles have done good work in the Community but he pointed out that they were never too busy to write a letter expressing appreciation when same was in order.

Ordered received and filed.

From Jack Loutet and Co. Ltd., asking that the lane on the west side of his premises at 110 West Esplanade be re-opened and that the present bus stop on Esplanade be moved further west and a loading zone marked out in the present area now used by the buses.

Alderman Aldous advised that as far as the bus zone is concerned his Committee have under consideration the whole question of bus stops not only in the area referred to by Mr. Loutet but also on Lonsdale Avenue just north of Esplanade. He said that a recommendation on this point would be made at the next Council meeting.

2 Mayor Goldsworthy pointed out that there were two matters referred to in this letter, the first dealing with the bus stop which will be dealt with at the next meeting of the Council and the other matter is that of the closed lane. He said that at the present time there is a Court action going on in the Supreme Court between the owner of the Building on the west side of the lane and the City and there is nothing we can do at this time to change the situation.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Aldous that the Clerk advise Jack Loutet and Company in accordance with the foregoing. Carried

From the North Vancouver Community Players asking for a meeting with members of the Council to discuss the future use by their Group of the Scout Hall.

3 Mayor Goldsworthy asked the Finance and Parks Committee to meet with representatives of the Community Players at an early date.

Mayor Goldsworthy, Alderman Aldous and Alderman McDevitt expressed their commendation of the recent production of the North Vancouver Community Players pointed out that this local production had been well received and had played to a full house each evening.

From R. V. Winch & Co. Ltd., advising that they have rented premises at 120 Esplanade to Mr. Harry Lim on the understanding that the latter is responsible for any repairs and decoration.

The Company had been advised however by Building and Electrical officials to take up this matter with the Council.

4 In view of the fact that the City is involved in litigation with respect to these premises His Worship suggested that the request should be referred to a Council Committee for investigation.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the result of R. V. Winch & Co. Ltd., be referred to the Legal and Policy Committee. Carried

From W. W. Emsley, President, Shrine Club, asking for permission to display an African Animal Zoo in North Vancouver on November 13th, 14th and 15th.

5 Alderman Suttis said he was sure that we would like the Shrine Club to carry on with their fine community work and the display referred to would help in raising funds for their community efforts.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that permission be granted the North Shore Shrine Club to display an African Animal Zoo in North Vancouver on November 13, 14, and 15 and that the matter of licence fees be left to the Finance Committee. Carried

From Mayor F. J. Hume, asking for financial aid to help in holding the British Empire Games in Vancouver in 1954.

Alderman Suttis said that everyone was interested in the success of the Games especially in view of the fact that they were being held in this Province. He said that the question of what the Council can do to help financially he could not say at this time but his Committee would like to go into the matter.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the request of Mayor Hume with reference to the British Empire Games be referred to the Finance Committee for a recommendation. Carried

2 From the Kinsmen Club of North Vancouver, enclosing cheque for \$5000.00 as an initial contribution toward the development of the area north of and adjoining Confederation Park as a Playing Field, which would include a proper stadium.

Alderman Aldous asked that this Council express its appreciation to the Kinsmen Club for their generous offer. He said that a Committee has already been set up consisting of two representatives of the Kinsmen Club, Superintendent Greenwood and himself and Mr. J. Enwright representing the Sports Planning Committee. He said that on the recommendation of the Kinsmen Club the first funds were allocated to the clearing of the new Park area and he was hoping that this programme could be continued this year on a joint financial basis in the same manner as was done with the Mahon Park Swimming Pool.

Mayor Goldsworthy said he was sure that all Council members agreed with the remarks of Alderman Aldous and he asked that the Clerk convey the Council's appreciation to the Kinsmen Club.

From the Town Planning Commission, enclosing a sketch plan showing a suggested re-plotting of D.L. 272 for Industrial use.

3 His Worship referred this letter to the Legal & Policy Committee for consideration pointing out that Industrial representatives of the C. N. R. will be here on October 24th to pick out Industrial sites, spur line locations and to suggest any re-zoning which might be required on the North Shore. He said that as far as he knew no re-zoning would be necessary in the City.

Mayor Goldsworthy said that the C. N. R. representatives will assist the Town Planning Commission in every way, pointing out that one of the areas which will be affected by the discussions will be D.L.272, referred to in the above letter from the Town Planning Commission.

He said that the Commission has been notified of the forthcoming visit of Canadian National Railway officials and asked that our Planning Committee keep in touch with the discussions which will be held.

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE TAX SALE PROPERTY

The Clerk submitted 16 applications to purchase tax sale land.

Moved by Alderman Aldous, 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>
9	Ex.S.10'	58	550	Edgar Frederick Stock & Florence Roberta Stock (Subject to N.H.A.Loan)	\$450.00

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Resub.</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>D.L.</u>	<u>Name of Purchaser</u>	<u>Price</u>
22	ex.N.10'	53	550	Keith Montgomery Yelland & Margaret Rose Yelland (Subject to N.H.A.Loan)	\$450.00
10	ex.S.10'	211	544	Howard William Swift	\$450.00
24&E $\frac{1}{2}$ 25)		240	545	Rose Stewart & John Stewart	\$900.00
26&W $\frac{1}{2}$ 25)					
12&W $\frac{1}{2}$ 13)		240	545	Rose Stewart & John Stewart	\$900.00
14&E $\frac{1}{2}$ 13)					
11		26	552	Mrs. Jessie Reid	\$450.00
1,2,3	2/3	5	548	Joe Peter Clay & Voy Clay	\$1200.00
1&W $\frac{1}{2}$ 2		226A	544	Leonard Emil Lynge & Peter K. S. Damgaard	\$ 650.00
25	ex.S.10'	6/7 30	548	Cyril Kenneth Johnston & Lorraine Doris Johnston (and question of Trade Licence & Commission referred to Reference Committee)	\$ 500.00
8&E $\frac{1}{2}$ 7		8	549	Mabel Jessie Wrisberg, Helen Webster Gerow & Mabel Jessie Speedie	\$ 450.00
1 C	S $\frac{1}{2}$ 5	18	549	Sidney Leslie Dunbar	\$ 500.00
30,31		213	544/5	Robert Angus MacLeod & Patricia Rose Marie McLeod	\$ 800.00
15	Ex.N.10'	91	550	David Reid Taylor McKinlay & Annie McKinlay	\$ 500.00
10		46	271	Marjorie Helen McLaughlin	\$ 500.00
65		235	546	Anna Barbara Scott	\$ 600.00
36	B	33	550	Norman Bernard Wallace	\$ 375.00

Carried

PETITIONS

The Clerk submitted a petition from Elmer Wylie and others requesting the construction of a cement sidewalk on the north side of 13th Street West and Keith Road West between Delbruck and Mahon Avenues, together with a certificate from the Clerk to the effect that the petition is signed by a sufficient number of owners as required by the "Local Improvement Act."

Alderman Copping said that ordinarily these petitions were referred to the Superintendent of Works for reports and estimates of cost, etc., but because it was not possible to do the work this year he felt that further consideration should be given before asking for such estimates and reports.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above petition be referred to the Board of Works Committee and the Superintendent for a recommendation. Carried

DUE ACCOUNTS

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

234 Finance	^	\$12,417.26	
245 "	^	3,368.23	
246 "	^	343.37	
244 Authorization	^	128,660.60	
242 Social Welfare	^	977.60	
257 "	^	1,420.53	\$147,187.59 Carried

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

243 Ferry	7	\$13,678.53	
256 "	7	<u>4,173.39</u>	\$17,851.92 Carried

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

238 Health	7	\$5,631.66	
251 "	7	29.17	
241 Fire	7	8,398.75	
254 "	7	2,447.06	
255 Light	7	<u>1,195.77</u>	\$17,702.41 Carried

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

235 Board of Works	7	\$11,469.13	
247 " "	7	7,571.55	
248 " "	7	<u>5,164.24</u>	\$24,204.92 Carried

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

237 Parks	7	\$ 3,167.73	
250 "	7	<u>226.00</u>	\$ 3,393.73 Carried

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

236 Waterworks	7	\$ 4,039.10	
249 "	7	128.37	
239 Building	7	745.14	
252 "	7	<u>22.68</u>	\$ 4,935.29 Carried

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

240 Police	7	\$ 1,718.67	
253 "	7	<u>34.07</u>	\$ 1,752.74 Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

LEGAL, POLICY & FERRY COMMITTEE

Alderman McDevitt said he had had a further discussion with representatives of Neon Products of Western Canada Ltd., with respect to the Company's application to install a large Neon Sign in the City. He pointed out that the sign is larger than the present By-law will allow but the Council would be prepared to make the necessary amendment to the By-law to permit the installation if a suitable location can be found. He advised that the Company has just about completed arrangements with a local store to erect a display on the building and accordingly he advised that he will bring in a definite recommendation on this matter at the next meeting of the Council.

Alderman McDevitt reported that because of the absence of Council members at the Union of B. C. Municipalities Convention the matter of the Meat Store Closing By-law had not been dealt with by his Committee.

Alderman McDevitt submitted the following Ferry Traffic report for the month of September 1952 pointing out that while the number of vehicles carried is up from last year the passengers carried are down and he attributed this decrease to the lay-offs in the local Shipyards:-

September 1952

No. of Vehicles carried	12,759
No of Passengers through Vancouver	
turnstiles	46,950
" " " North Van. "	40,574
" passenger fares collected on	
vessels	7,678
" passengers on Sightseeing Buses	330
	<u>95,532</u>

September 1951

No. of Vehicles carried	11,309
No. of passengers carried	108,895

A lderman McDevitt advised that the deficit at the end of September was approximately \$39,000.00 and that the Council had budgeted for a deficit for the year \$58,000.00

Alderman McDevitt advised that Ferry revenues collected to September 30th 1952 amounted to \$134,173.92 or 81.8% of the estimated annual revenues and expenditures for the same period were \$167,970.12 or 75.7% of the estimated expenditure for the year.

HEALTH, FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

Alderman Johnson advised that because of prior commitments she had been unable to attend the last meeting of the Metropolitan Health Committee and the North Shore Union Board of Health meetings.

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

A lderman Copping advised that the Board of Works Committee have just completed a very creditable job in connecting the new St. David's Avenue Sewer outfall with the main trunk north of the National Harbours Board Railway at the foot of St. David's Avenue. To do this five lines of track had to be lifted. He said the completed project would give an outfall comparable in size to some of the larger sewer outfalls in Vancouver. He said the work had proceeded without a hitch except that there had been some hold-up in the operation of the shovel and the Department had only the period between 8 a.m. Saturday and 8 p.m. Sunday to do the job and he felt that the Staff should be commended for the fine work which had been done.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that this Council express its appreciation to Superintendent Greenwood and his Staff for the expeditious and efficient manner in which the St. David's Avenue Sewer outfall work had been carried out.

The Council members agreed and the motion was carried unanimously.

PARKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Aldous advised that there are a number of Parking complaints which have been received by the Council in the past and his Committee will be dealing with these matters this week.

WATERWORKS & INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE

A lderman Stewart said that the Metropolitan Industrial Development Commission had recently had the opportunity of hearing an address by Mr. James Sinclair, M.P. He said that the latter was very interested in getting new industries into British Columbia and especially into his own riding. Mr. Sinclair had advised that his taxes in Ottawa were approximately \$550.00 a year for a 50' lot with an average dwelling on it. He had stated that one of the reasons why the taxes were so high was because they did not have industries.

Alderman Stewart said that when we get more industries into North Vancouver our taxes will be greatly reduced. He advised that he had had a letter from Mr. Ekman, Chairman of the Industrial Commission to the effect that inquiries for Industrial sites on the North Shore had been held in abeyance during the

recent vote on the Bridge Agreement. He thought they have now been opened and advised that they can come in to the North Shore.

Mayor Goldsworthy said that he believed that the Metropolitan Industrial Commission is doing a very good job especially in regard to the finding of Industrial sites on the North Shore.

NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted the certificate of the Returning Officer of the result of the Poll held on October 3rd 1952 dealing with the Schedule attached to the "City of North Vancouver Second Narrows Bridge By-law, 1952."

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Aldous that the Certificate of the Returning Officer be recorded in the Minute Book. Carried

The Clerk submitted a letter of resignation from R. W. Richards, City Comptroller, effective November 14th 1952 together with a copy of a letter from Mayor Goldsworthy to Mr. Richards conveying his appreciation for Mr. Richards' past services to the City, and enclosing a cheque for one month's salary.

Alderman Suttis said that it was with a great deal of regret that he moved the following resolution to accept the resignation of Mr. Richards:-

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that the resignation of R. W. Richards, City Comptroller, effective November 14th 1952 be accepted and that the Mayor's action in granting Mr. Richards a month's salary be approved. Carried

The Clerk submitted an application from R. E. Climie, 1260 Rosewood Crescent, for a trade licence to collect paper in the City of North Vancouver.

The Clerk stated that this application had been refused by the Licence Inspector and had been referred to the Council for a decision.

Mayor Goldsworthy said that the application had been turned down by the Licence Inspector because there were a number of charitable and Community organizations which derived a good deal of their finances from paper drives, etc., and he asked that the Legal and Policy Committee contact these groups with a view to ascertaining if they are still interested in conducting such drives in the future.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Copping that the application of Mr. Climie be referred to the Legal & Policy Committee for study and report. Carried

The Clerk submitted an application from Seaboard Advertising Co. Ltd., for permission to erect four advertising panels on Lots 34 to 37, Block 167, D.L. 274.

Attached to the application was a report from the Building Inspector advising that the granting of the application would be advantageous as the present unsightly excavation and embankment would be covered up.

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Clerk be authorized to issue the necessary permit under the "Billboards Regulation By-law" to Seaboard Advertising Co. Ltd., for the erection of four poster panels on Lots 34 to 37, Block 167, D.L. 274. Carried

The Clerk submitted the report of the Police Department for the month of September 1952.

Ordered received and filed.

The Clerk submitted the report of the Fire Department for the month of September 1952.

Ordered received and filed.

The Clerk submitted a report from the Building Inspector with respect to permits issued up until Sept. 30th 1952.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the report of the Building Inspector be placed in the Minutes as follows:-

"The following permits were issued during the first nine months of the year 1952:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Value</u>
	261	\$1,651,345.00
Made up as follows:		
Dwellings	138	1,143,200.00
Miscellaneous	<u>123</u>	<u>508,145.00</u>
	261	1,651,345.00
Comparison with first 9 months of 1951:		
Dwellings	99	703,200.00
Miscellaneous	<u>125</u>	<u>297,245.00</u>
	224	\$1,000,445.00 "
		Carried

The Clerk advised that he had received a report from the Superintendent of Works giving the actual cost of sidewalks constructed under the "Local Improvement Act" at 10th and St. George's and at 8th and 13th Streets.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Copping that this Council sit as a Court of Revision under the Local Improvement Act on December 1st 1952, at 7 p.m. in the City Hall, 209 West 4th Street, in the City of North Vancouver for the purpose of hearing complaints against the Special Assessments in respect of the following described works;

1. Six (6) foot concrete sidewalk on the north side of East 10th Street extending easterly a distance of 99 feet from St. George's Avenue and on the east side of St. George's Avenue extending Northerly a distance of 140 feet from the said 10th Street East and on the intersection of St. George's Avenue and the said 10th Street East a distance of 18 feet.
2. Six (6) foot concrete sidewalk in Block 72, D.L. 548 being 317.52 feet on 13th Street and 234.82 feet on 8th Street and 23.14 feet at the intersection of 13th Street and 8th Street or a total length of 575.48 feet. Carried

The Clerk submitted a notice from the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company advising of a Special General meeting of the shareholders of the Company to be held on November 24th 1952 and enclosing a form of proxy for completion by the City.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that Mayor F. R. Goldsworthy is hereby named and appointed to attend, act and vote as the proxy for and on behalf of The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver at the Special General Meeting of the shareholders of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company to be held on the 24th day of November 1952 and on every adjournment of said meeting in respect of all shares held by the said City in said Company. AND THAT a written form of proxy appointing him as aforesaid, in a form approved by the City Solicitor be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and be sealed by them with the Corporate Seal of the City. Carried

The Clerk submitted certificates from the County Court with respect to the registration of By-laws No. 2120 and 2121.
Ordered received and filed.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Copping that "A By-law to repeal By-law No. 393" be now read a first time.
Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Copping that "A By-law to repeal By-law No. 393" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Suttis that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1952, No. 16" be now read a first time. Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Suttis that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1952, No. 16" be now passed. Carried

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

Moved by Alderman Aldous, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the "Lynn Creek Zinc Mines Easement By-law" be laid on the table until again brought forward by the Council. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted a report with respect to the powers of the Council to deal with unfinished and unsightly buildings in the City.

With respect to unfinished buildings he pointed out that to more effectively deal with same it will be necessary to amend the "Municipal Act" and the "Building By-law" and suitable amendments had been previously prepared by the former Solicitor Mr. Donaghy.

With respect to unsightly buildings such as the Lonsdale Theatre the Clerk advised that Legal advice should be obtained before taking any action in such cases.

Moved by Alderman McDevitt, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the Clerk be authorized to secure a legal opinion as to the Council's powers to deal with unsightly buildings such as the Lonsdale Theatre. Carried

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Alderman McDevitt said that having read the column in the "North Shore Press" under the heading of the "Sidewalk Inspector" in the last issue, he would like to point out that the reference to the Council and some of the City's employees were lies and he would like to take issue with the writer of the column and ask him to appear at a public meeting to substantiate his charges. He said that the great difficulty was that people accepted such remarks as gospel. He referred to a statement which had been made that new blood was required in the Council. Alderman McDevitt said that it was very difficult to encourage new blood in the Council because of unwarranted attacks which were made on Council members such as this one he was referring to. He said that he had known the author of the article for a long time and he had never done anything constructive in the past to his knowledge. He said that whenever the Council had something constructive it was opposed by the author of the column referred to. He said that the remarks of the columnist in the last issue had reflected not only on the Council but on some of its Department Heads. He said that people should have confidence in our employees and in the Council and he felt very badly because of the tremendous work which had been done for example by the Council and the Mayor in the recent Bridge Plebiscite. He said that never at any time had the remarks referred to come close to the truth and he felt that the author should be compelled to bring any facts that he has forward.

Alderman Stewart agreed and pointed out that this was his seventh year on the Council and at his last election he had offered to step down but was voted in by the Electors. He said he thought that the writer referred to by Alderman McDevitt was trying to get the Council's goat and we should not pay too much attention to him. Alderman Copping said that the Council took too much notice of these things referring to past criticism of the Council which Alderman McDevitt had made when he was a columnist.

Alderman McDevitt said that there was no objection to receiving criticism but he did object to the lies which had been printed.

Mayor Goldsworthy said he was sure we endorsed the remarks of Alderman McDevitt. He said we are driving people away from public office. He said that Mr. Loutet, who writes the "Sidewalk Inspector" has done good service, but if he has any constructive criticism he should bring it before the Council or at least write under his own name.


Alderman Suttis said that he had no comment except to say we have confidence in our Department Heads and he would hate to think also that the remarks of the columnist referred to our former Comptroller. He said that he agreed with Alderman Copping and you always go through this sort of thing in any public office. He said also that he did not think we should worry unless it affects our Department heads.

Mayor Goldsworthy said that he appreciated Alderman McDevitt bringing this matter up for discussion in the Council.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McDevitt that Mr. John O'Neill be appointed Acting Treasurer. Carried

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

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 9.15 p.m.


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