Minutes of Regular meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, March 1st, 1954 at 8 p.m.

Present His Worship Mayor C. W. Cates, Alderman J. M. Bryan, Alderman E. N. Copping, Alderman V. M. Johnson, Alderman T. C. McMillan, Alderman A. Stewart and Alderman J. A. Suttis.

MINUTES Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council held on February 15th, 1954 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all the members of the Council.

Alderman Copping said he would like to amend the Minutes of the Special meeting held on February 22nd, 1954. He said his reference to discourtesy in the 5th paragraph referred to discourtesy on the part of the Council in allowing information to go to the Press before the subject of the Bus routes etc., had been discussed by Council.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on February 22nd, 1954 be amended by striking out the last sentence in the fifth paragraph under "B.C. ELECTRIC BUS ROUTES AND SCHEDULES" and substituting the following: -

"He felt it was discourteous to the B. C. Electric Railway Company to have this information come out ahead of time."

Alderman Bryan said that the Press was being blamed for giving this information ahead of time but this was not right. He said the Press was absolutely in the clear and should not have been / criticized.

The motion was then put and carried

The Clerk advised that there was one further amendment which he would like to make concerning the same matter and concerning a statement made by Mayor Cates, immediately following the second paragraph on Page 262 of the Minute Book

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the following words be inserted at the end of the second paragraph of the Minutes of the Special meeting held on February 22nd, 1954 on Page 262 of the Minute Book:-"He said he wasn't blaming any member of the Council for this information getting to the press prematurely."

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Minutes of the Special meeting held on February 22nd, 1954, as now amended be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all the members of the Council.

Alderman Johnson said that in the Minutes of the Special meeting of February 26th 1954 she had made reference to the School population as being 3800 at the present time and that this should have read "in 1948".

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the Minutes of the Special meeting of the Council held on February 26th, 1954 be amended by striking out the words "is now" in the 4th line of the second paragraph on Page 266 and substituting the words "in 1948 was".

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the Minutes of the Special meeting held on February 26th, 1954 as now amended be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all members of the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE :

From School District No. 44, North Vancouver, requesting a payment of \$40,000.00 on account of their 1954 operating expenses.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above request be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration. Carried

From the North Vancouver Baseball Association, asking that bleachers presently located in Confederation Park be transferred to the Baseball Field in Mahon Park.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Copping that the above letter be referred to the Parks Committee. Carried

From the North Vancouver Junior Chamber of Commerce, advising that their recent resolution asking for further information from Premier Bennett as to the P. G. E. Railway extension had been passed on the basis that the J.C.'s wished to have further information before going on record as to the desirability of such extension.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above letter from the North Vancouver J.C. is be received and filed. Carried

From the North Vancouver Memorial Community Centre, requesting a Grant of \$2500.00.

Alderman Suttis advised that his Committee has a recommendation regarding this request.

Mayor Cates suggested that we lay this request on the table and consider it later under Committee reports.

Alderman Copping said he would be interested to know why the Community Chest Grant to the Centre had been reduced and why 5 the Chest feels no obligation. He said we as a City had to dig down for additional funds every year and he felt that this matter should be looked into. Laid over to Committee reports.

From the B. C. Library Association, asking for support of their resolution to the Provincial Government to have the 3% tax removed from books.

Mayor Cates said he understood that this would mean a loss of about \$4500.00.0n the one hand we are asking for more money from the Province to finance services and on the other hand we are taking it away from them.

Alderman Copping said we are asking the Government for more money for education etc., and he thought that this was a fair tax.

Laid over to Committee reports.

From the North Vancouver Public Library Association, reques-7 ting a grant of \$11,680.00. Referred to Committee reports.

From the Victorian Order of Nurses, requesting a Grant of \$2,000.00.

Laid over to Committee Reports.

From the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd., advising that faulty equipment has resulted in poor operation of the new mercury vapor installation and that a credit will be made to the City because of the non burning of some of these lights.

Laid over to Committee reports.

From H. E. Moss & Company, Newcastle, England, asking if our Ferry vessels are for sale. Laid over to Committee reports.

From ANVA, 119 E. 3rd Street, asking for permission to make alterations to the rotunda of the East Staff House at 239 East 3rd Street.

Laid over to Committee reports.

From Mrs. Mary Tassell, 302 East 27th Street, re sand sidewalk. Laid over to Committee reports.

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY

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

	<u>Lot</u>	Block	D.L.	Name of Purchaser	Price
2	8	160	271	William Richard Cavanagh	\$600.00
3	45&46	224	544	Gordon Decimus Agg & Elena Nemsia Agg	\$750.00
4	17	9	549	Alexander Allan Munro	\$525.00
5	16	90	5 50	Victoria Thibert	\$750.00
6	14	95	550	lssie Feldstein	\$1050.00
1	53&54	241	544/5	Agnes Allan Smith & Albert George Trueman Smith (Subject to Loan Approval and Consolidation)	\$1200.00
				•	Carried

Alderman Copping refrained from voting.

The Clerk advised that an application had been received from A. A. Munro to purchase Lot 27, Resub. B, Block 33, D.L. 550, but both the Superintendent of Works and Building Inspector advised that this property was very wet and should be held 8 until the installation of a sanitary sewer in the Block.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Suttis that

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the application of A. A. Munro to purchase Lot 27, Resub. B, Block 33, D.L. 550 be not accepted because of the poor drainage of this property and that the Treasurer be authorized to return the deposit paid by Mr. Munro and further that the Land Agent be instructed to reserve the said lot until a sanitary sewer is constructed which will serve the property. Carried

The Clerk advised that an application had been received from C. Bumstead to purchase Lot 10, Resub. 2, Block 239, D.L. 545 but that since the application had been filed the City had been advised by the applicant that N.H.A. will not approve the lot for loan purposes and therefore requested a refund.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the deposit made by C. Bumstead on the purchase of Lot 10, Resub. 2, Block 239, D.L. 545, amounting to \$266.50. Carried

The Clerk advised that he had on file an application from the Active Construction Company to purchase Parcel "B", D.L. 272 at the foot of Brooksbank Avenue on the waterfront.

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Mayor Cates said this piece of property is one on which the Council needs to have the full picture before making a decision and he suggested that the application be tabled for the time being. Agreed to.

PETITIONS

The Clerk submitted a petition from residents on the East side of St. George's Avenue between 21st and 23rd Streets complaining of drainage conditions.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that this petition be referred to the Board of Works Committee for consideration. Carried

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local Improvement act for the construction of a Sanitary Sewer on 15th Street from St. Andrews to Moody Avenues, together with his Certificate of Sufficiency.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above petition be referred to the Superintendent of Works for the necessary reports and estimates as required under the "Local Improvement Act". Carried

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local Improvement Act for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of 4th Street from Queensbury to Sutherland Avenues, together with his Certificate of Sufficiency.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above petition be referred to the Superintendent of works for the necessary reports and estimates as required under the "Local Improvement Act". Carried

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local Improvement Act for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of 6th Street from Lonsdale to St. Georges Avenue, together with his Certificate of Sufficiency.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the above petition be referred to the Superintendent of Works for the necessary reports and estimates as required under the "Local Improvement Act". Carried

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local Improvement Act for the construction of a sanitary sewer on 20th Street from St. Andrews Avenue to Ridgeway Avenue, together with his Certificate of sufficiency.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the above petition be referred to the Superintendent of Works for the necessary reports and estimates as required under the "Local Improvement Act". Carried

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local Improvement Act for the construction of a sidewalk on 14th Street from Ridgeway Avenue to Lonsdale Avenue. He requested that this petition be referred back to him for further investigation particularly as to whether the sidewalk is being petitioned for on both sides of the street.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above petition be referred back to the Clerk for further investigation. Carried.

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local improvement Act for the construction of a sewer on 14th Street from Lonsdale Avenue to Ridgeway Avenue. He advised that this petition had been signed by 72.7% of the owners but this represented only 37.1% of the assessed value of the land because of the fact that the North Vancouver General Hospital had frontage on this street. He suggested that the petition might be forwarded to the Hospital Board for their consideration.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the above petition for a sewer on 14th Street be submitted to the North Vancouver General Hospital Board, advising the Board that the residents on the north side of 14th Street have signified their willingness to pay for the installation of a sanitary sewer on 14th Street from Lonsdale to Ridgeway Avenues, and asking if the Hospital Board is prepared to sign the petition. Carried

DUE ACCOUNTS

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

29	Finance	9	\$25,985.70		
40	Author	ization	31,123.31		
38	Social	Welfare	662.07		
41	Social	Welfare	5,612.17		
42	11	11	2,709.44		
<i>4</i> 3	11	11		\$70,958.67	Carried

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

34 Building 566.25 36 Police 432.35 \$ 998.60 Carried

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

33 Health \$1,700.02 37 Fire 4,382.25 \$ 6,082.27 Carried

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

30 Board of Works \$4,566.40 31 Waterworks \$4,566.40 \$6,395.56 Carried

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

39 Ferries \$6,736.01 Carried

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

32 Parks \$1,376.58 Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Suttis submitted the following recommendation with respect to the request of the Community Centre for financial / aid:-

RECOMMEND that the request of the Memorial Community Centre forta grant of \$2500.00 be referred to the Preliminary Estimates for consideration.

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

Alderman Suttis said that his Committee had considered the letter from the B. C. Library Association and have already heard the opinion of the Council members with respect to the Association's request to have books exempted from the 3% tax. He said his Committee thought that as this matter affected all Municipalities they are recommending that it be referred to the U.B.C.M. and submitted the following recommendation:—RECOMMEND that the request of the B.C. Library Association be referred to the Union of B. C. Municipalities for consideration and advice.

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

Alderman Suttis submitted the following recommendation with respect to the request of the North Vancouver Public Library Association for financial and:

RECOMMEND that the request of the North Vancouver Public Library Association for a grant in 1954 of \$11,680.00 be referred to the Preliminary Estimates, for consideration.

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

Alderman Suttis submitted the following recommendation with respect to the request of the V.O.N. for financial aid: - RECOMMEND that the application of the Victorian Order of Nurses for a grant in 1954 of \$2,000.00 be referred to the Preliminary Estimates for consideration.

Preliminary Estimates for consideration.

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

Alderman Suttis advised that his Committee had considered the tenders received at the last regular Council meeting for the purchase of Lot 2 and 3, Resub. 2, Block 239, D.L. 545, and are now recommending that the highest tender be accepted.

RECOMMEND that the tender of Bond Realty to purchase Lot 2, Resub. 2, Block 239, D.L. 545 for the sum of \$1081.00 be accepted, provided the usual registration fees and amount in lieu of taxes are paid on or before March 15th, 1954.

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

RECOMMEND that the tender of Bond Realty to purchase Lot 3, Resub. 2, Block 239, D.L. 545 for the sum of \$1055.00 be accepted, provided the usual registration fees and amount in lieu of taxes are paid on or before March 15, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan

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

Alderman Suttis advised that some time ago Marine Realty and Insurance Agencies had requested the closure of 3rd Street between Bewicke and Fell Avenues and at the same time had applied for the purchase of lots facing on this Block and his Committee now wished to recommend as follows:—

RECOMMEND that Marine Realty and Insurance Agencies be advised that their request for the closure of 3rd Street between Bewicke Avenue and Fell Avenue cannot be granted, but that the Council will giveravourable consideration to an application for the purchase of Lots 2, 4, 6-12 inclusive in Block 15, D.L. 265 and Lot 19, Block 10, D.L. 265, provided the applicant will install road and water facilities at its own expense to the said lots.

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

Alderman Suttis advised that the City has on hand three surplus Ross Rifles which had formerly been used by the local police. He said there was no reason to hold them any longer and they should be disposed of.

RECOMMEND that the City Clerk be authorized to advertise for sale three Ross Rifles which are no longer required by the Corporation.

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

LEGAL & INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE

Alderman McMillan submitted the following recommendation with respect to the request of ANVA for permission to make certain alterations to the Rotunda of the City building at 239 East 3rd Street.

RECOMMEND that ANVA inc. be given permission to make all alterations to the rotunda of the former No. 2 Staff House at 239 East 3rd Street, so as to provide a lounge room for the tenants, provided that such alterations are approved by the Building Inspector,

/ AND FURTHER that ANVA be advised that provision will be made

in the 1954 Estimates for the early completion of the repair work to the foundation of the building.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above recommendation of the Legal & Industrial Committee be adopted. Carried

FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

Alderman Johnson submitted the following recommendation with respect to the recent report of the B. C. Electric Railway Company regarding breakages of street lights.

RECOMMEND that Sgt. MacBrayne, N.C.O. i/c of the local R.C.M.P. detachment be asked to have his men keep closer supervision on the street lighting circuits during the coming year, with a view to reducing the number of breakages of these lights through vandalism.

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

Alderman Johnson submitted the following recommendation with respect to the maintenance of street lighting circuits in the City.

RECOMMEND that the letter from the British Columbia Electric 3 Railway Company with respect to the maintenance of street lighting circuits be acknowledged with thanks, and that Sgt. MacBrayne be instructed to have his men report any outages in street lights promptly to the B. C. Electric Railway Co.

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

Alderman Johnson submitted the following report with respect to the meeting of the Metropolitan Health Committee on January 20th: -

"Attended Annual meeting of the Metropolitan Health Committee on January 20th at Vancouver City Hall. Your delegate was elected Chairman and Councillor Wilkes of Burnaby, Vice-Chairman.

Dr. Stewart Murray gave valuable comments on gas poisoning, some of the points mentioned may be of value to our City if either artificial or natural gas is used here to any extent. Unlike artificial gas, natural gas has no odour and for safety's sake a smell of some kind has to be added - garlic was mentioned, but perhaps fish odour would do as well. Natural gas does not suffocate but kills by explosions and this must be guarded against.

Alderman McTaggart, Q.C. was emphatic that the enforcement of Vancouver's Gas By-law must not be postponed, and moved a resolution to this effect which was carried. He stated that the By-law made it obligatory to take the safety precautions set out therein but the City was not responsible for the type of safety device used.

Alderman Sprott said that 20,000 people were involved, and if left in their present quarters without any heating apparatus it would work a hardship on them but the low rental situation

was such that there was not accommodation for them elsewhere.

Mr. Walters of the B. C. Electric was doubtful if there were any safety appliances on the market suitable for all types of gas stoves and plates."

Mayor Cates said he wished to congratulate Alderman Johnson on behalf of the Council on her appointment as Chairman of the Metropolitan Health Committee.

Alderman Johnson acknowledged the Mayor's congratulatory remarks and congratulated His Worship on being appointed V Chairman of the Towboat Owners Association.

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Copping said that some time ago the City had received a request from Mrs. Tassell, 302 East 27th Street for a sand sidewalk. He said the City is not anxious to build sand sidewalks but had advised Mrs. Tassell last year that if any funds were left over after rebuilding the street a sand sidewalk would be built on the north side.

He advised that it had been necessary to repair the sidewalk on the south side of the street and no funds had been left over after the work had been completed and therefore no footpath could be provided on the north side of the street.

He said the Council should encourage people desiring sidewalks to apply for them under the "Local Improvement Act".

RECOMMEND that Mrs. Tassell be advised that the footpath on the south side of 27th Street was destroyed during construction work on the street which necessitated the re-building of that walk and there was no money left to build a walk on the north side of the street as requested; however the policy of the Council is to construct concrete sidewalks under the Local Improvement Plan upon petition and this plan applies to the whole of the City.

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

Alderman Copping said some months ago he talked to the B.C. Telephone Company with respect to the removal of Poles on West Keith Road and the Company had been asked to give an estimate of the cost of having the poles placed in the lane. He said this estimate had now been received and amounted to \$41,000.00, with the City's share being \$8,000.00. He said the City does not have \$8,000.00 to put up at this time, although it might be possible later when the School costs have lessened. His Committee therefore wished to recommend as follows:-

RECOMMEND that the B. C. Telephone Company be advised that after consideration the City finds it cannot afford to spend \$8,000.00 on the removal of poles on Keith Road between Be-wicke and Mahon Avenues at this time.

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

Alderman Copping said that some time ago we wrote to the Provincial Government asking them to continue their paving and widening of 3rd Street East of Lonsdale. He said we recently have learned that the Provincial Government were not going to do this work this year and as the City had gone to considerable expense in 1953 in lowering manhole covers and services preparatory to the paving work being continued it was felt that another effort should be made to have the Government proceed with such work this year.

RECOMMEND that the Council solicit the support of the Provincial Member in applying for the widening and paving of 3rd Street from Lonsdale Avenue easterly, asking him to use every effort to have this paving work continued this year, pointing out that in anticipation of this work being carried out the service connections have been lowered on that portion of the street lying east of Lonsdale at considerable expense to the City.

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

Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

Alderman Copping advised that his Committee have considered the request of Mr. J. Edwards, 244 East 20th Street, for the removal of trees on a City lot adjacent to Mr. Edwards' property, but as it was not the policy of the Council to cut down these trees his Committee wished to recommend that Mr. Edwards be advised accordingly but granted permission to remove them

himself if he so desires.

RECOMMEND that Mr. J. Edwards, 244 East 20th Street be advised that it is not the policy of the Council to remove trees but he is hereby granted permission to remove the trees himself if he so desires.

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

FERRY COMMITTEE

Alderman Bryan submitted the following recommendation with respect to the inquiry from H. E. Moss & Co., as to the possibility of purchasing the North Vancouver Ferry.

ity of purchasing the North Vancouver Ferry.

RECOMMEND that H. E. Moss & Company be thanked for their letter and advised that the North Vancouver Ferry is not for sale at

the present time.

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

PARKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Stewart advised that an invitation had been extended to the Lower Mainland Park Advisory Committee to hold its March meeting in the City of North Vancouver. He said it was the usual custom for the Municipalities to take their turn in this regard.

RECOMMEND that the City Clerk be authorized to make the necessary arrangements to hold the March meeting of the Lower Mainland Parks Planning Committee in the City of North Vancouver on March

25th, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the above recommendation of the Parks Committee be adopted. Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried

Alderman Stewart reported to the Council on his recent trip to Victoria as Chairman of the City Council Recreation Commission. He advised that he had left on Sunday and had returned on Tuesday night and during the period in Victoria he heard talks by different professional people, consultants and directors, etc. He said there were over 65 representatives present. He said he had received considerable information as to the operation and responsibilities of the Commission and that he was glad that he had gone over and secured this information as it was not his idea that a Chairman of the Commission should be a mythical figure simply for the purpose of obtaining the former Pro-Rec grant of \$600.00 a year.

Alderman Stewart then outlined the set-up of the Commissions as laid down in the pamphlet from the Department of Education. He said the new Recreation Commissions are to operate in place of the former Pro Rec and that while the latter was generally run by Government people the present scheme is to have local citizens do most of the work.

Alderman Stewart advised that the members of the Recreation Commission did not have to be Council members but could be private people. He said that for example if an assistant coach was appointed for the Little League it would be possible to secure an additional Grant of \$25.00 per month.

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Alderman Stewart said he had been written up in Mr. Hall's newspaper that he had been away for one whole week enjoying himself in Victoria, which was not correct.

Mayor Cates said he felt it was very good of Alderman Stewart to attend the meeting in Victoria on behalf of the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted a report from Superintendent Greenwood under the Local Improvement Act, advising that the estimated cost of constructing a 6" sanitary sewer in the Lane between 9th and 10th Streets west of the Grand Boulevard, would be \$2307.88, the Owners' share being \$1914.60 and the City's share \$393.28. The special assessment would be paid in 5 instalments and the estimated annual assessment would be \$1.0162.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the necessary Construction By-law be prepared for the construction of a 6" Sanitary sewer in the Lane between 9th and 10th Streets west of the Grand Boulevard and that a copy of the estimated costs etc., be forwarded to each owner. Carried

The Clerk submitted a report from Superintendent Greenwood showing that the estimated cost of constructing a 6" sanitary sewer on Eastern Avenue between 16th and 17th Streets would be \$3151.54, the owners portion being \$2912.45, and the City's share \$239.09. The Special assessment would be

paid in 5 instalments and the estimated annual assessment would be \$0.66342.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the necessary Construction By-law be prepared for the construction of a 6" sanitary sewer on Eastern Avenue between 16th and 17th Streets and that a copy of the estimated costs etc. be forwarded to each owner. Carried

The Clerk submitted a report from Superintendent Greenwood showing that the estimated cost of construction of a 6" Sanitary sewer in the Lane between 10th and 11th Streets west of the Grand Boulevard would be \$1615.51, the Owners! share being \$1376.43 and the City's share \$239.08. The Special assessment would be paid in 5 instalments and the estimated annual assessment would be \$0.8767.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the necessary Construction By-law be prepared for the construction of a 6" sanitary sewer in the Lane between 10th and 11th Streets west of the Grand Boulevard and that a copy of the estimated costs etc., be forwarded to each owner.

Carried

The Clerk submitted an application for a Trade Licence from B. C. Cashato to operate an Auto wrecking and wrecker service at 1204 Cotton Drive.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above application be referred to the finance Committee for consideration. Carried

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Johnson that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1954, No. 3" be now read a first time. Whereupon the By-law was read. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1954, No. 3" be now passed. Carried All the members of the Council voted for this By-law.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Letter was received from the B. C. Electric Railway Company suggesting that a meeting be arranged this week between representatives of the City and District and the Company to go into the North Vancouver Bus routes and schedules.

Alderman Stewart said he had received a copy of this letter and had discussed the matter with Reeve Scanlan to-day. He said he was not sure of a day for a meeting but asked the Council members for their suggestions.

Discussion followed.

It was suggested that if possible arrangements be made for a joint meeting for Friday, March 5th, 1954, at 4:30 p.m.

Letter was received from Horne Bros. Shingle Company, 305 West Esplanade, advising that they are making changes in their Smoke control equipment and also asking for information as to the cost of a precipitator which had been recommended by the Smoke inspector of the City of Vancouver.

mended by the Smoke inspector of the City of Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the letter from Horne Bros. Shingle Company be acknowledged with thanks and referred to the Legal Committee for consideration. Carried

Letter was received from Keay Lumber Company Ltd., 369 East Esplanade, advising that they are making certain changes to their burner and hoped to further improve combustion which 2 will reduce their smoke output.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above letter from Keay Lumber Co. Ltd. be acknowledged with thanks and referred to the Legal Committee for consideration. Carried

The Clerk submitted a copy of a letter from Collins, Green, Eades, Collins and McDonald, Solicitors, to the B.C. Bridge and Dredging Co. Ltd., advising that their client, Miss P. Il Wayne at 207 East 2nd Street, is fearful of damage from the blasting operations being carried out by the Company on the waterfront.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that a copy of the above letter be referred to the Solicitor for his information and guidance. Carried

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Mayor Cates said that next week he will be attending a meeting of the Indian Advisory Committee and will be absent from the City from Tuesday until Friday in Victoria. He said he had some interesting relics which he was going to turn over to the new Navy Museum including a copy of a newspaper telling of Nelson's Victory on the Nile. He said he might have to stay over on the following Monday and he asked if Alderman Stewart would be available during his absence; otherwise he himself will be available by long distance telephone.

He said he knew most of the Provincial Cabinet members quite well and there were several matters of City business which he would like to talk to them about while he was in Victoria.

Alderman Stewart said he expected to be available during the period when His Worship was away.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the Council do now adjourn.
Whereupon the Council adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Mayor.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on Monday, March 8th, 1954, at 7 p.m.

Present:

His Worsnip Mayor C. W. Cates, Alderman J. M. Bryan, Alderman E. N. Copping, Aiderman Violet M. Johnson, Alderman T. C. McMillan, Alderman A. Stewart, and Alderman J. A. Suttis.

The Clerk advised that this special meeting had been posted for 24 hours as required by the Municipal Act, and had been called to consider the following business:

By-laws Approval of the 1954 Estimates Any other competent ousiness

BY-LAWS
The Clerk submitted certificates from the County Court with respect to By-laws Nos. 2227, 2230 and 2231. Received and filed.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Suttis that "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Johnson that "The City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes By-law, 1954" be finally adopted and passed, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal and registered pursuant to the "Municipal Carried Act".

Whereupon the By-law was finally adopted and passed, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the corporate Seal and numbered 2235.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Bryan that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1954, No. 3" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Johnson that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale sy-law 1954, No. 3" 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 py-law was finally adopted and passed, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate seal and numbered 2236.

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

1954 ESTIMATES
His Worship Mayor Cates called on Alderman Suttis, Chairman of the Finance Committee to submit the 1954 Budget.

Alderman Suttis said that he wished that he was the bearer of glad tidings. He said it was not often that the Finance Committee of the Council was able to bring in glad tidings. In recent years, he said, there had been one time when they had been able to, but this type of Budget doesn't happen very often.

Alderman Suttis said that before going into the Budget details, he would like to express his appreciation to the Council and Department Heads for the great deal or work put in by them over and above the normal hours of work. He said that he would also like to thank the sentlemen of the Press for the fair way in which they had handled

Budget matters, without treading on the right of the Finance Committee to oring in the Budget details at the proper time. He pointed out there is always a chance of changes in the Budget, right up until the last minute.

Alderman Suttis said the first thing he would like to discuss is what the Council had to do in order to balance

the Budget this year.

He said the Estimates are based on 60 per cent of the improvements, with the mill rate remaining the same, at 55 mills. He said that the Preliminary Budget had indicated that there was \$150,000.00 which had to be found in some manner, and the Council had been forced to consider both an increase in the percentage of improvements taxed and an increase in the mill rate. He said they had abandoned the thought of a mill rate increase as the taxes must be raised because of an increase in the amount of services required by people living in the City, and it had therefore been decided to increase to 60 per cent and have the mill rate remain at 55 mills.

Alderman Suttis said the first great item of expenditure is for ordinary school costs.

These are fixed at 27.7246 mills, or \$396,804.64 Extranordinary School Expenses 1.7947 mills, or \$25,686.07 for a total School Budget this year of \$422,490.71.

This compared to the 1953 figure of \$354,291.68.

Alderman Suttis said, however, that this does not quite tell the story.

He said that in 1953 School Ordinary Estimates were

Alderman Suttis said that the Finance Committee had met with the School Board, and the Mayor and other officials had discussed the Estimates with the Chairman of the School Board, in the hope of a reduction in the costs. He said he had to-day received a letter from the Board, explaining the reasons why the Board has declined to alter its current Estimates, and he then read the letter to the Council.

The Board's letter said that its decision not to reduce its Estimates had been reached only after very careful consideration and discussion with representatives of the City and District. The Board pointed out that this year's Budget can be considered as an average Budget when taken in comparison with the previous five years. The Board also pointed out that they are faced with increased enrollment running from an 8 per cent annual increase in the early 1950's to 13 per cent increase in 1953. Indications were that in September this year there would be a further increase of 14 per cent, requiring 25 new class-rooms. The Board pointed out that the School Loan By-law provides only 20 new rooms by September, and that other accommodation will have to be found.

The Board further pointed out that municipalities are required to pay annually achigher percentage of school costs: in 1946, the School District received 52% of its Ordinary Budget from government grants, while in 1954 only 26.6% will be received from this source.

The Board drew attention to the general population growth and to the increase in the number of building permits being issued.

The Board advised that Provincial Govt. figures show that of the 77 school districts in the Province, District #44 has the third lowest operating cost per pupil. The Board referred to the fact that many of the older

The Board referred to the fact that many of the older schools were neglected during the days of Commissioner-ship and the Board has through the years been faced with these extra costs.

In conclusion, the Board advised that they were well aware of the problems of the Council, and were prepared to offer its assistance in finding ways and means, so that the tax-payers might find relief from this burden of municipal taxation.

Alderman Suttis said that there are no startling new revenues in the Estimates, although the Council had looked for them. He said the Council has tried to be as optimistic as possible without having to face retrenchment at a later date. He said that the S.S. & M.A. subsidies had been estimated at \$210,000.00, which was the figure estimated for in 1953, and for which we had received \$210,712.65. He said that the Estimate for this year had been reached after discussion with other municipalities and Government officials. He said there have been some adjustments in the revenue figures, which affect the Board of Works Committee, but these have been added in to offset some expenditures under that Committee.

Alderman Suttis then gave additional details with respect to the Ferry Revenue, Permits and Fees and Rents and Refunds.

Alderman Suttis said that on the Expenditure side, we have a refunding instalment to meet this year of \$110,000.00, plus the school costs of \$422,490.71, and the following Committee expenditures:

Board of Works - Maintenance \$	152,725.00	
" - Construction	80,364.08	
Fire	127,717.50	
Finance	170,541.22	
Health	41,463.76	
Hospital & Social Welfare	157,924.61	
Parks	54,450.00	
Police	50,583.72	
Street Lighting	25,470.00	
Waterworks - Maintenance		
" - Construction	17,000.00	
Building	36,604.93	
Ferries	233,619.00 \$1	.202.538.82

In other words, Alderman Suttis advised that the total expenditures of the City for the year 1954 would be

He said it was probably the perogative of the different Committees to break down their expenditures in their own Department in greater detail, if they wish to do so. He said that with the cuts which most of them had to make in their Budgets, this would likely be done with a bleeding heart.

Alderman Suttis then went on to explain in more detail the figures in the various Committee Estimates.

He said that it had been originally intended to hold these estimate figures back until the Council had reached agreement with its various Civic Employee groups, but it was felt that this could not be done because of the necessity for the work to go ahead. He said with the wages not being settled and with the knowledge that if we cannot satisfy our employees with the offer already made and a large increase has to be made, then our work will have to be curtailed accordingly. He said he was sure that the employees would see the difficulties under which the Budget was prepared. He said the City does not want to budget with work curtailed, coupled with an increase in taxes. He pointed out that taxes can only be increased to some reasonable figure in this period of increased costs. He said the Council is attempting to hold taxes at a level within the ability to pay and still make progress. He said it was decided to increase the percentage to 60 per cent, because it was not felt that we have gone beyond reasonable limits.

Alderman Suttis said that when these Estimates are approved by Council, they must go to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, for approval, and at the same time, he said, he would like to submit to the Minister certain proposed expenditures from Tax Sale Lands Reserve. These expenditures will be made after further consideration by the Council, and are as follows:

_	Graphotype Machine	\$	1,925.00
Z.	2 Fire Proof Filing Cabinets		,,,,,,,,,,
	- 15th & " 3,000.00		
	- 13th & " 1,000.00		
	- Esplanade & Lonsdale 1.000.00		
	- Bewicke & Marine1,000.00	\$	7,500.00
	- Bewicke & Marine 1,000.00 Hose & Pumper Truck	\$2	25,000.00
	Inspection Vehicles	P	2,645.00

Alderman puttis said that it is possible that there may be a grant received from Civil Defence authorities towards the purchase of the Fire Pumper.

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He said he would like to advise the Minister of Municipal Affairs of our intention to make these expenditures
when the Annual Estimates are submitted for approval.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Annual Estimates of the City of North Vancouver, for the year 1954, totalling \$1,735,029.53, and the Supplementary Estimates for Capital Expenditures from Tax Sale Lands Reserve, amounting to \$37,845.00, be now passed by this Council, subject to approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the City of North Vancouver Debt Refunding Act.

Mayor Cates asked if there was any discussion desired on the subject of Estimates. He said that Alderman Suttis should be commended for his able job in presenting the Budget for the year.

Alderman Copping said that he would like to congratulate Alderman Suttis and the City Treasurer, Mr. O'Neill on the fine job of work they had done. He said it was satisfying to know that the mill rate would stand for the year. However, he said, the Board of Works Committeehad approached these Estimates with a feeling of frustration. He said that his Budget is \$10,000.00 less than last year. He said that \$7,750.00 had been cut off from the Maintenance figure of the Preliminary Estimates, and Construction Estimates had been cut by \$23,000.00. He said it is the intention of his Committee to be talking about some of these items later on.

Alderman Copping said that \$9,280.00 had been taken off the Waterworks Committee. He said in spite of the fact that the Budget balances, there has been some sacrifice, and if we are going to be continually saddled with this situation, then there has got to be a new approach to Municipal finance. He said there is a need for a service tax to be paid by all persons up to pensionable age. He said it is easy to say this but it is a matter which should go up to the U.B.C.M. He said the Council is continually getting requests for this and that and sometimes from some source which does not contribute any revenue to the City. He said he could go into detail, but preferred at this time to congratulate Alderman Suttis on a fine Budget, but he pointed out that the Budget had been balanced at some sacrifice.

Alderman Stewart said he would like to congratulate the Finance Chairman and Department heads. He said he knew the work which had been done and that it has been heart-breaking. He said he himself, as Chairman of the Parks Committee, is aware of this. He pointed out that many sports organizations have requested improvements and his friend Ralph wants to get the new park going. He said that these cuts in the Parks budget can only be blamed on the increasing school costs and he hoped the sportsmen of the City would take this in good order. He said it was hoped that we might have some extra revenue for Park purposes at the end of the year.

Alderman McMillan said he and Alderman Bryan and Johnson had felt that the remarks respecting the Budget should come from the older members of the Council, but he said as far as the Building Committee is concerned, this totalled \$29,000.00 in 1953 and this year it is \$36,000.00. He said the extra money is to take care of a depreciation fund. A good deal of the Budget, he said, is going into the maintenance of buildings such as the Lonsdale Hall and the City Hall.

Alderman Johnson said she would like to add her thanks to Alderman Suttis for making the Budget sound most cheerful, especially with respect to the Street-lighting Budget. She said she did not expect much this year, because of the amount of lights which had been provided last year. She said she was glad to hear the recommendation with respect to traffic signals. As regards the Library, she said she would like the people to know how fortunate we are to have a library, at such a reasonable cost. She said in 1953 West Vancouver's Library cost \$23,000.00 and it was felt that we have a remarkable Library for the \$7,000.00 which has been set aside by the City, and she hoped that the Province will accept further financial responsibility in this regard.

Alderman Bryan said that he could not add much to what has already been said, but he believed the Department Heads deserved a lot of credit in the compiling of the current year's Budget.

Alderman Copping said that a book entitled "Land Value Taxation in Canada" was available from the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, and suggested that copies be got for the Council.

The Clerk advised that he would get copies of this publication.

Alderman Johnson asked if it was correct that the expected loss on the Ferry Estimates this year would be \$57,000.00 and Mayor Cates agreed that this was correct.

Mayor Cates said that before putting the motion, he would like to thank everyone for the help they had given in compiling this year's Budget.

He said he had been out of Council for two years, and had come in again green, although he still was familiar with the fundamentals of City Council work. He said he wanted to thank everyone both on the Council and the Staff for the help which they had given. He said that many members of the Council have worked all day, and he said he had never yet heard a grumble from anyone. He said he did not think the citizens realized how much work the Council puts in and said if there is anything he could do to help the Council in any way, he would certainly like to reciprocate.

The motion was then put and carried.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the 1954 Annual Estimates, together with the proposed expenditures from Tax Sale Land Reserve, be forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs, for approval. Carried

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted the report of the Fire Department for the month of February, 1954.

Ordered received and filea.

Alderman McMillan said that he understood that a Bill was to be presented to the Provincial Legislature with respect to the establishment of a Greater Vancouver Sewerage Board.

2 He said the Council would like to have the opportunity of seeing this Bill and studying same before it is submitted. He said, therefore, he had a Resolution to submit, as follows:

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that

WHEREAS this Council has been informed that it is proposed to introduce legislation at this Session of the Legislature establishing a Greater Vancouver Sewerage Board AND WHEREAS this Council has had no opportunity to study the proposed Act

THEREFORE BE 1T RESOLVED that this Council opposes the introduction of Legislation establishing a Greater Vancouver Sewerage Board at this Session of the Provincial Legislature AND THAT the Minister of Municipal Affairs be advised accordingly and a copy sent to Mr. George Tomlinson, our M.L.A.

Alderman Copping said he thought we should send a copy of this to our Local member. He said he took a very serious view of the situation and in spite of the overall plan as proposed being a matter of progress he said the municipalities like ourselves are pretty well set up as far as sewage facilities are concerned, and we should study this legislation very carefully. Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

Alderman Bryan said that he wished to refer to the lack of Municipal control over clubs operating under Provincial charter. He said a resolution had been approved to strengthen this control at last year's Convention of the U.B.C.M. $\mathcal Q$ He said the marathon Court case recently concluded has brought home the responsibility of amending our Municipal legislation so he felt that a little more push from us would not do any harm. He said therefore that he and the City Solicitor had prepared a resolution along these lines. as follows:

Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman McMillan that

WHEREAS municipal councils have no authority under the Municipal Act to refuse, revoke and suspend club licences AND WHEREAS it is considered in the best interests of this City that this Council should be granted such authority NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Provincial Government be urged to amend the Municipal Act at this Session of the Legislature, granting unto Municipal Councils the authority to refuse, revoke and suspend licences of clubs operating within their jurisdiction

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution 3 be forwarded to Mr. George Tomlinson, M.L.A.

Discussion followed.

The Clerk confirmed that a resolution asking for power to refuse, revoke or suspend a club licence had been submitted by the Municipality of Richmond to last year's Union of B. C. Municipalities Convention, and would be submitted to the Municipal Committee of the Legislature at this Session.

Further Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

Alderman Johnson said that her Committee had received a complaint with respect to the lighting of the cross-walk at Fell Avenue and Marine Drive. She said she had inspected this intersection, and at the time a bus was unloading and people were crossing in front of the bus to go 5 across Marine Drive, creating aserious traffic hazard. said, however, as cross-walks come under the Transportation Committee, it would seem that their location must be studied by this Committee, or the Reference Committee, as the Fire & Light Committee cannot look after the installation of the lights until the location of the cross-walk is fixed. She suggested that possibly a cross-walk might be installed in the middle of the block, instead of at the intersection. She said she would like the Board of Works Committee, or

the Transportation Committee to go into this, as she felt it was a dangerous situation.

Alderman Suttis said before the meeting adjourned he would like to express his thanks to the Mayor and Council for the kind remarks accorded him earlier in the evening, and to say how much we owe to the members of the Council for the work put in on this year's Estimates.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that this meeting now adjourn.

Whereupon the meeting adjourned, at 8:30 p.m.

MAYOR.

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Minutes of Regular meeting of the Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, March 15th, 1954, at 8 p.m.

Present
His Worship Mayor C. W. Cates,
Alderman J. M. Bryan, Alderman E. N. Copping, Alderman
V. M. Johnson, Alderman T. C.
McMillan and Alderman A. Stewart.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council held on March 1st, 1954 and of the Special meeting of the Council held on March 8th, 1954 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all members of the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

From the B. C. Automobile Association asking for an audience to discuss the proposed road to be built between Vancouver and Squamish.

Alderman McMillan wondered if the Association was referring to the road over the Capilano Watershed and if not he suggested that this letter be held in abeyance.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the B. C. Automobile Association be requested to submit more details with respect to the proposed road referred to in their letter of March 11th, 1954. Carried

From Mrs. H. Mains on behalf of the Wrenette Corps, asking for permission to hold a Peanut Drive from May 1st to 31st inclusive.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the above request be referred to the Finance Committee. Discussion followed.

Alderman Stewart said that this Drive may conflict with a Kiwanis Drive about that time.

The motion was then put and carried.

From the Loyal Protestant Home for Children, asking for per-3 mission to hold their annual tag day on October 2nd, 1954. Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that permission be granted the Loyal Protestant Home for Children to hold their annual Tag day on October 2nd, 1954.

From the Volunteer Ambulance Corps asking for improvements to the plumbing facilities in the Casualty Station in Mahon # Park.

Alderman McMillan said most of the Parks Buildings have been transferred back to the Parks Committee.

Alderman Stewart said he wanted some clarification as to this matter.

Mayor Cates explained that during the balancing of the Budget this matter had been discussed and Superintendent Greenwood said that as his men were working in the Park he could look after the Park Buildings under his Maintenance Budget.

Further discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the request of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps be referred to the Parks Committee for consideration. Carried

From the Burrard Funeral hapel, Ltd., complaining of the condition of the pavement on the East side of the 1200 Block on Lonsdale Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that this request be referred to the Board of Works Committee.

Carried.

From the Lynn Valley Ratepayers Association, asking for the installation of a Crosswalk at 17th and the Grand Boulevard.

A report was received from Sgt. MacBrayne, advising that a Crosswalk is in existence at 17th and Boulevard but is poorly marked and further that the usual crosswalk signs are already installed in this area.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the letter from the Lynn Valley Ratepayers! Association be tabled and that the report of Sgt. MacBrayne be referred to the Transportation Committee for consideration. Carried

From Mrs. Edith Parle, 315 West 1st Street, complaining of blackberries encroaching on her property.

Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that this complaint be referred to the Board of Works Committee.

Carried

From Mitchell Press Ltd., asking if the City will take adver- 3 tising space in its "Municipal Year Book."

Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above matter be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried

From the Kinsmen Club, requesting permission to hold their Annual Carnival in Mahon Park on June 28th, 29th, 30th and UJuly 1st, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Bryan that this matter be referred to the Parks Committee for consideration. Carried

From the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, enclosing policy statement issued by the Canadian Welfare Council with respect to residence requirements as they affect unmarried mothers.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the above letter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration. Carried

From the "Vancouver Sun" asking if the City will take advertising space in its "1954 Industrial Review" edition. Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the above request be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried

From School District No. 44, advising that they cannot make any alterations in their Ordinary Estimates.

Referred to Committee reports.

From School District No. 44, requesting payments of \$42,000.00 on account of Ordinary expenses during the months of March to June, inclusive

Referred to Committee reports.

From the North Vancouver Schools Band, asking for an increase in their annual grant.

Referred to Committee reports.

From School District No. 44. requesting approval of the use of portable school units.

Referred to Committee reports.

From Heywood Community Centre asking for financial assistance for the maintenance of the Centre building.

Referred to Committee reports.

From CedarRealty and Insurance Agencies asking if the City would re-zone Lots 1&2, resub. 1, Block 20, D.L. 548 on the north east corner of Mahon and 18th Streets from Single-Family to Duplex area.

Referred to Committee reports.

From the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd., enclosing credit note for \$448.05 because of impaired street lighting service from December 1st, 1953 to February 15th, 1954 and advising that all mercury vapor lamps are being replaced with a different make. Referred to Committee reports.

From Superintendent Archer, RCMP, asking if the City will approve an increase of 4 additional members in the local

detachment.

Referred to Committee reports.

From Priscilla Rowley, 746 East 2nd Street, requesting Lane

improvements and street lights.
Alderman Johnson said that she had inspected this area ${\mathfrak Z}$ but her Committee is waiting for a report from the Electrical Inspector as to the need for a street light as requested.

Referred to Committee reports.

From the North Vancouver City and District Property Owners' Association commending the Council for their action in requesting the B. C. Electric Railway Company to revert to the Bus routes and schedules in effect prior to October 23rd, 1953 and suggesting that the City and District Councils engage a Transportation Expert to guide them in the future. Referred to Committee reports.

From the "Vancouver Province" asking if the City will take advertising space in its 1954 Industrial Progress edition. Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the above request be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration. Carried

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY

The Clerk submitted 9 applications to purchase tax sale land. Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the following sales of tax sale land be placed on the next By-law for conveyance: -

þ	Lot Resub. 2,3,4 61	Block D.	L. <u>Name of Purchaser</u> 16 Ernest Eliot Evernden \$	<u>Price</u> 1 9 87.50
7	Ptn.5 Nth of Lane	7 6		700x00 L050.00
8	19	73 5	48 Thomas Francis Fitz-	975.00
9	20	9 0 5	50 Bella Jane Johnson & Stanley S. Johnson	750.00
10	21&E222	215	47 Harold Gordon Wolverton Muriel Beatrice Wolverton	
πl	24	6.7. 5	47 Angus Morrison	750.00
12	8	211 5	44 Fernand Charles Barre & Mary Joyce Barre	525.00
13	7	2115	44 Violet Elizabeth MacLeod	525.00
14	6	211. 5	44 Violet Elizabeth MacLeod	450.00

Carried

TENDERS

The Clerk reported that 5 tenders had been received by him within the time limit for the purchase of 3 Ross Rifles which were no longer required by the Corporation.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson that these tenders be now opened. Carried Whereupon tenders were opened as follows:-

H.W.D. Thomas, 1000 Cortell Rd. bid \$7.50 for 1 Rifle

W.P. Dixon, 1077 Kings Ave., Hollyburn, bid \$15.00 for Ross Rifle No. 9904 (with strap)

E. D.Dodson, P. O. Box 106 bid \$16.00 for one Rifle 9574 or 9904.

J. Dunn, 326 E. 17th St. bid \$20.00 for two rifles or \$30.00 for 3 rifles

Howard Scott, 235 West 1st Street bid \$50.00 for the 3 Rifles Nos. 8907, 9574 and 9904.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that these tenders be referred to the Finance Committee for a recommendation. Carried

DUE ACCOUNTS

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

44	Finance	9	\$ 3,574.90		
54	A II		12,234.29		
64	Authori	ization	53.34		
52	Social	Welfare	528.18		
65	11	ff	2,321.61	\$18,712.32	Carried

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

49 Building	\$ 625.75		
60 "	468.27		
51 Police	415.92		
62 #	309.71	\$ 1,819.65	Carried

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

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48 Health $ 1,059.24

50 Fire 4,411.50

63 " 873.67

61 Light 3,376.06 $ 9,720.47 Carried
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Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

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45 Board of Works $ 4,402.88

55 " 5,824.46

56 " 4,190.46 $14,417.80 Carried
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Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

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46 Waterworks $ 1,504.84
57 " 357.53 $ 1,862.37 Carried
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Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrants:-

53	Ferries	\$ 5,703.32	
66	tt	5,422.44	\$11,125.76

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

47 Parks 58 "

\$ 1,104.83 136.69

\$1,241.52 Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mayor Cates advised that Alderman Suttis is quite sick and therefore Alderman McMillan would be reporting on behalf of the Finance Committee this evening.

Alderman McMillan said that a recommendation with respect to an application from B. A. Cashato for a licence to operate an Auto Wrecking and Wrecker service at 1204 Cotton Drive was being withdrawn for further consideration, in view of possible re-zoning in the area.

Alderman McMillan then submitted the following recommendations on behalf of the Finance Committee:-

RECOMMEND that the letter from School District No. 44 dated March 4th with respect to the 1954 Ordinary Estimates be 3 received and filed.

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

RECOMMEND that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay School District No. 44 the sum of \$40,000 on account of the 1954 Ordinary Estimates of the Board and that any Loan expenses incurred by reason of the payment of these monies be invoiced to the said School Board.

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

RECOMMEND that the City Treasurer be authorized to meet the monthly payments requested by the School District in its letter of March 25th 1954 for Ordinary expenses and that any Loan expenses incurred by the City by reason of the payment of such monies be invoiced to the said School Board

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

RECOMMEND that the Memorial Community Centre be advised that the Council has included the sum of \$1500.00 in its 1954 Estimates as a Grant to the Centre for the year 1954.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson

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

RECOMMEND that the North Vancouver Public Library Association be advised that the Council has included a sum of \$7,500.00 in its 1954 Estimates as a Grant to the Association for the year 1954.

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

RECOMMEND that the Victorian Order of Nurses be advised that the Council has included the sum of \$2,000.00 in the 1954 Estimates as a Grant to the Order for the year 1954.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson

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

RECOMMEND that the North Vancouver Schools Band be advised that its request for a Grant in the current year in the amount of \$150.00 cannot be granted but that the Council is willing to make a Grant of \$25.00 for each Public Band Concert staged by the Band during the Summer of 1954 up to a maximum of \$100.00.

Discussion arose.

Alderman Stewart pointed out that last year the Band played all of its public concerts within a very short period of time in one month.

The Council members agreed that these public band concerts should be spread over two months and the Clerk was instructed to notify the Band accordingly.

The motion was then put and carried.

LEGAL & BUILDING COMMITTEE

RECOMMEND that School District No. 44 be advised that although this Council recognizes the need for more buildings for School purposes they cannot grant permission for portable School Units as proposed as they do not meet with the Building or Zoning By-laws of the City, and further, the Architectural Control Committee of the Council feels that the Architectural design of the buildings is not attractive

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above recommendation of the Legal and Building Committee be adopted.

Discussion followed.

Alderman Copping felt that if there was any way of helping the Board out in providing Schools at a lower cost we should give consideration to it.

Alderman McMillan said the main objection to these portable units is that they have no eye appeal and would depreciate property and it would not be fair to surrounding residents. He said we agree we should not go into expensive construction and certainly need economy of operation. He said also that he understood new plans were being prepared for submission and these would be considered shortly.

The motion was then put and carried.

RECOMMEND that Heywood Community Centre be advised that after the Community Chest and Council has indicated the extent of its financial aid to the Centre this Council will be prepared to discuss any maintenance and repairs requirements with their representatives.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above recommendation of the Legal & Building Committee be adopted.... Carried

RECOMMEND that Cedar Realty and Insurance Agencies be advised that although the Zoning Committee of the Council is not in favour of rezoning Lots 1&2, Resub. 1, Block 20, D.L. 548 from "Single Family Dwelling" to "Two Family Dwelling" any application for such re-zoning must be submitted by the owner to the Council and then referred to the Town Planning Commission for report.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above recommendation of the Legal and Building Committee be adopted. Carried

RECOMMEND that the Keay Lumber Company and Horne Bros. Shingle Company be thanked for their letters advising of steps which they have taken or propose to take to improve their smoke control equipment and that Fire Chief Thomson be instructed to discuss the suggested improvements with officials of the Companies at the earliest opportunity.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above recommendation of the Legal and Building

Committee be adopted ... Carried

FIRE & LIGHT COMMITTEE

Alderman Johnson submitted the following recommendation on behalf of her Committee:-

RECOMMEND that the B. C. Electric Railway Company be thanked for their credit adjustment on our street lighting account and advised that the Council hopes that the new equipment will be more satisfactory.

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

POLICE COMMITTEE

RECOMMEND that Superintendent Archer be advised that the City regrets that it is unable to consider an increase in the City's R. C. M. P. Detachment this year.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above recommendation of the Police Committee be adopted. Carried

HEALTH COMMITTEE

Alderman Johnson submitted the following report with respect to a meeting of the Union Board of Health held on March 9th, 1954:-

"Attended meeting Union Board of Health on Tuesday 9th March. The resignation of Dr. Bell, Medical Health Officer was accepted.

A letter was read from Mr. Bragg, Administrator of Hospital stating that present Health Unit would be needed by the Hospital.

Discussion with Dr. Stewart Murray as to raising funds to build a new Unit, the probable cost to be in the neighbourhood of \$72,000. This was allocated as follows:-

From Federal Government \$16,500.
From Provincial Government 16,500.
From City of North Vancouver 13,000.
From District of West Vancouver 13,000.
\$72,000.

It was also proposed that other Health organizations might later be approached for aid."

Alderman Johnson said she would like to add her tribute to Wilbur Bryan who recently passed away and who sat at our Press table for so many years.

To my mind he not only gave a fair account of the Council meetings but wrote them up in such an interesting manner that they were read by hundreds of people who did not live in our City. He was a man of such wide experience and knowledge of the general situation in B. C. that many of our leading citizens went to him for consultation and advice. He was a good friend of the Library and the valuable publicity he gave to the efforts to get it on its feet had a lot to do with the present success. He also donated valuable books. Now that he is freed of the clogging flesh one can picture him as enjoying the Happy Hunting Ground or running the politics of the spheres.

Alderman Copping said he would like to endorse the sentiment expressed by Alderman Johnson although he would not have used the same words. He said we will miss him very much and he was a true gentleman of the Press.

Alderman Stewart said that Mr. Bryan was a very faithful man and easy to get along with.

Mayor Cates said that he had seen Wilbur Bryan recently and had always found him in gay spirits. Even recently he was planning a holiday. Mayor Cates said Mr. Bryan was a man of another age of journalism who could talk on any feature of journalism and had an amazing memory. He said that he personally will miss him very much and felt very sorry for his wife.

The Clerk was instructed to send a wreath on behalf of the City Council.

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Copping said he would like to lay over a recommendation with respect to a request from Mr. S. A. Lane for permission to construct an entrance to the rear of his Lot 3, Block 102, D.L. 550.

Alderman Copping advised that it was desirable to discontinue the practise of sending reports of the estimated cost of works to be constructed under the "Local Improvement Act" to the various owners both from an administrative standpoint and also as there is not statutory provision requiring this to be done.

The Committee therefore recommended as follows:-

RECOMMEND that the previous policy of notifying the property owners of the cost of Local Improvement work be discontinued as there is no provision in the "Local Improvement Act" requiring this to be done.

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

The Clerk advised that up until the present time petitioners have been advised that before the work is commenced they will be notified as to the estimated cost so as to be fair to those already petitioning the reports should not be discontinued until all of the present works petitioned for have been authorized.

The motion was then put and carried.

Alderman Copping said that with respect to the request of Priscilla Rowley, 746 East 2nd Street, he pointed out there is no road to serve the property and the lane is in fair shape. He said further that there is no way of constructing a road into the property and as far as Lane access is concerned it will receive the usual maintenance. His Committee therefore 3 recommended as follows:-

RECOMMEND that Priscilla Rowley be advised that the Council regrets that there is no provision in the Budget this year for work other than maintenance on the Lane in the 700 Block East 2nd Street but the question of a light has been referred to the Fire and Light Committee.

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

Alderman Copping reported that his Committee had considered the petition of residents on St. Georges Avenue between 21st and 23rd Streets received at the last meeting of the Council and that it was desirable to have the Superintendent of Works 4 clear one of the ditches.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that Superintendent Greenwood be instructed to clear the ditch on the East side of St. Georges Avenue between 21st and 23rd Streets, with a view to improving the drainage conditions in the area. Carried

<u>PARKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE</u>
RECOMMEND that the North Vancouver Baseball Association be advised that the Council regrets that it cannot comply with their request to move the bleachers from Confederation Park to Mahon Park.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. Davis be advised that the Parks Budget has been severely cut and as the Lonsdale Hall Tennis Courts are public courts and the rental received from them is negligible, the Council regrets that it has no funds available for resurfacing the Courts this year.

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

RECOMMEND that the following amendments be made to the Cemetery By-law:-

That Section 19 be struck out and the following substituted: "A grave shall be dug to a depth of four feet for the interment of a child two years of age or over but less than 12 years."

That Section 20 be amended by labelling it clause (a) and adding the following as clause (b).
"(b) Upon the request of the owner of a Cemetery Plot, the interment of ashes, or a child less than two years of age, may be permitted in such a plot in addition to any interment referred to in Clause (a) of this Section, provided the provisions of this By-law respecting permits and fees are complied with."

That markers such as referred to in Section 32 (a) be permitted on standard size plots where ash interments have been made in such plots.

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

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be authorized to install a crosswalk on Marine Drive at Mackay Avenue.

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

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be authorized to remove the pedestrian crossing Stop Sign on the North side of Keith Road at the Grand Boulevard, owing to the fact that Stop Signs are now placed at the intersection of East Keith Road and Grand Boulevard to permit East Keith Road to be designated as a through street.

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

RECOMMEND that during the installation of a watermain on 28th Street from View to Mahon Avenue that no parking be permitted on either side of the road.

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

RECOMMEND that the North Vancouver City and District Property Owners' Association be advised that the Council has already requested the B. C. Electric Railway Company Ltd. to revert to the old schedules.

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

Alderman Stewart said with respect to the question of Parking meters all Council members have been spoken to by different business men and all wished to have a say with respect to the installation of parking meters. He said he was going to have a meeting this week with representatives from the various Associations but Alderman Suttis asked that this be laid over so that he could be present.

Alderman Stewart said he understood from the Clerk that Alderman Suttis would be away for about a week so this matter would have to be laid over in the meantime.

NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted an application for amendments to the Zoning By-law from Alderman McMillan under which those areas in D.L. 272 and 265 presently zoned as "Light Industrial" would be zoned as "Heavy Industrial" and restricted for use of Industries which would require rail or marine transportation.

Alderman McMillan said that this application is being made so that we can plan that where we have tracks and possible spur lines the area should be zoned for Heavy Industrial. He said certain Light Industrial uses could come into the area if they need rail or water facilities. He said these are the main reasons why we are asking for am amendment to our present By-law.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the above application from Alderman McMillan for rezoning and amendments to our Zoning By-law be referred to the Town Planning Commission for a recommendation. Carried

Alderman Copping said that Alderman McMillan is doing a good job and is trying to see that Industries which require rail service will be centralized in the areas where such services can be built.

The motion was then put and carried.

An application was received from North Van Automotive, 121 West 2nd Street for a Loading Zone.

West 2nd Street for a Loading Zone.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Bryan that this application be referred to the Transportation Committee. Carried

The Clerk submitted release forms for signature by the Mayor and Clerk pursuant to the settlement of the claim between the City and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company as agreed to by Council on February 15th, 1954.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal with the Corporate Seal a Release between the City and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in consideration of the payment by the latter of the sum of \$676.60 being settlement reached with respect to the City's claim resulting from the accident at the Vancouver Ferry dock involving the S. S. Princess Norah on or about June 18th, 1952. Carried

Report was received from Superintendent Greenwood with respect to the construction of a concrete sidewalk 5' wide on the south side of Keith Road from Chesterfield to Forbes Avenue, under the "Local Improvement Act". The total estimated cost of the work is \$5868.13, the owners' portion being \$3911.97 and the City's share \$1956.16.

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The Assessment is to be paid over 5 years at an estimated per front foot assessment of \$2.0986.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the necessary By-law be prepared to authorize the construction of a concrete sidewalk 5' wide on the south side of Keith Road from Chesterfield Avenue to Forbes Avenue under the "Local Improvement Act" and that the owners affected be advised as to the estimated cost of the work. Carried

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between 9th and 10th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Lane between 9th and 10th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Eastern Avenue - 15th to 17th Streets Sanitary Sewer

Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried
Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the "Eastern Avenue - 15th to 17th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Johnson that the "Lane between 10th and 11th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between 10th and 11th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication By-law 1954, No. 2" be now read a first time. Carried Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication By-law 1954, No. 2" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1954, No. 4" be now read a first time. Carried Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Copping that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1954. No. 4" be now passed. Carried

1954, No. 4" be now passed. Carried
All the members of the Council voted for this By-law, with
the exception of Alderman Copping, who refrained.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Letter was received from Mrs. Violet Jackson, 233 West 2nd Street complaining of damage to her premises allegedly from Blasting operations by Burrard Dry Dock Co. Ltd.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the above complaint from Mrs. Jackson be referred to the Legal Committee for consideration. Carried

Letter was received from the U. B. C. M. advising that they have not received any representations from the B. C. Library Association for support of its proposal to have the Provincial Sales Tax removed from books.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above letter be received and filed. Carried

Report was received from Sgt. MacBrayne with respect to the maintenance of Street Lighting services. He advised that outages are reported promptly to the Company but sometimes there have been delays by the latter before repairs are made. He said his men are constantly on the lookout for breakages from vandalism but this is difficult to control as patrol cars are easily distinguishable. He advised however that further instructions have been given to the officers to make every effort to control these breakages and prosecute whenever sufficient evidence is obtained.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above report be received and filed. Carried

Letter was received from the District of North Vancouver, advising that the City's proposal of January 21st, 1954 to provide fire protection to the District as set out therein for the sum of \$40,000.00 plus \$400.00 per fire call for attendance outside certain areas was acceptable to the District provided that no charge would be made for any call relative to Schools.

Discussion followed. Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Copping that the District of North Vancouver's counter-proposal with

respect to fire protection for 1954 be accepted.

Letter was received from the Department of Municipal Affairs advising that the Union of B. C. Municipalities will be advancing legislation shortly which will authorize Municipal Councils to regulate and licence Clubs.

Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs be

received and filed. Carried

Letter was received from the Hon. W. D. Black, Minister of Municipal Affairs, enclosing copy of a Bill to be known as "Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act" and asking if the Council would give the Bill its early attention and advise within ten days as to their wishes in this matter.

Alderman Copping said this is a very vital and serious matter. He said some of the Council members have made a study of the scheme and while it may be a good overall proposal for Vancouver it would mean that if this City participates we would be shouldering a financial burden which we see no need to be forced into. He said we have considerable sewer facilities in the City and plans for further extension and we should not be called on to come under the Greater Vancouver Board. He said from a brief reading of the Bill it is a challenge to the existence of local government making it mandatory for Municipalities to join if the present Bill passes.
Alderman Johnson said if this proposed Bill goes through then

local government will be through.

Alderman Copping said the implications of the Bill are shocking. He said may be such things may be found in Europe but not in Canada and therefore he said he would like to submit the following resolution:-

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that WHEREAS this Council has received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs a copy of a proposed Bill entitled "Greater Vancouver"

Sewerage and Drainage DistrictAct";

AND WHEREAS this Council has been requested by the Minister of Municipal Affairs to study the said Bill and to advise the said Minister whether this Council approves of the enactment of this said Bill at this session of the Legislature;

AND WHEREAS this Council has considered the said Bill; AND WHEREAS this Council does not consider that it would be in the best interests of the City of North Vancouver to become a member of the said Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District;

NOW THERÉFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council unanimously disapproves of the introduction of Legislation requiring the City of North Vancouver to participate as a member of the proposed Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District, and in addition strongly condemns the principle contained in Clause 66 of the proposed Bill.

Discussion.

Mayor Cates said he felt the Council should be praised very highly for the manner in which we have dealt with this matter.

Alderman Stewart said he would like to suggest that a strong delegation be sent to Victoria to back up our resolution and interview the Minister and our M.L.A. and he suggested that Mayor Cates, Alderman Copping, the City Solicitor and the Superintendent of Works be delegated to go over to Victoria. Further discussion followed.

Alderman McMillan said we have had wonderful Co-operation from the Provincial Government from the point of information being received on this matter and that they should be thanked and he suggested that a clause be added to the main resolution to take care of this point.

Discussion followed.

The resolution was then put and carried.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Johnson that Mayor Cates, Alderman Copping, the City Solicitor and Superintendent of Works be appointed as a delegation to go to Victoria to interview the Minister of Municipal Affairs and our M.L.A. in order to support this Council's opposition to the proposed Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act. Carried

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Minister conveying this Council's appreciation for the prompt manner in which he and his Department have supplied this Council with information respecting the proposed Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District legislation. Carried

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the Council do now adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned, at 9:45 p.m.

Sharle W. Cate

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Monday, March 29th, 1954, at 7 p.m. Present

His Worship Deputy Mayor A. Stewart, Alderman J. M. Bryan, Alderman E. N. Copping, Alderman V. M. Johnson, Alderman T. C. McMillan, Alderman J. A. Suttis.

The Clerk reported that this Special Meeting of the Council had been posted for 24 hours, as required by the Municipal Act, and had been called to consider the following business:

Final passage of 1954 Estimates By-laws Report of delegation to Victoria, re sewerage legislation Unfinished Business Any other Competent Business

1954 ESTIMATES

Letter was received from the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, enclosing the 1954 Estimates, duly approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the 1954 Estimates, as approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, be now finally passed, and the necessary tax rate and penalty By-laws prepared. Carried

Alderman Johnson said that she felt that Alderman Suttis and the Treasurer have done wonderful work, but that the public Committees in having to slash their expenditures. She said her Committee had had to be cut about \$10,000.00 and although it was not a case of not being willing to co-operate, she opd said that a diagram showing the relationship of school and although should know of the feeling of frustration of the various said that a diagram showing the relationship of school costs to the other costs of operation from 1947 to date showed that while school costs equalled the other costs of operation of the City in 1947, they had increased since that time to approximately double the other operating costs. She said she thought these figures should be included with the tax bills and suggested that the Provincial Government might help by cancelling our debts.

The Clerk submitted certificates from the County Court covering By-laws Nos. 2235 and 2236. Ordered received and filed.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication By-law 1954, No. 2" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "City of North Vancouver Highways Dedication By-law 1954, No. 2" 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 2237.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Suttis that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law 1954, Carried No. 4" be reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Johnson that "The City of North Vancouver Tax Lands Sale By-law, 1954, No. 4" 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 2238. Alderman Copping refrained from voting.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Lane between 9th and 10th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Lane between 9th and 10th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" 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 2239.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between 10th and 11th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between 10th and 11th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" 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 2240.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Eastern Avenue - 15th to 17th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Eastern Avenue - 15th to 17th Streets Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" 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 2241.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Keith Road South Side, Chesterfield Avenue to Forbes Avenue Sidewalk Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Suttis, that the "Keith Road South Side, Chesterfield Avenue to Forbes Avenue Sidewalk Local Improvement Construction Bylaw, 1954" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Grand Boulevard, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets Sidewalk Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the "Grand Boulevard, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets Sidewalk Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried ...

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Lane between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Streets, East of St. Georges Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried

Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Streets, East of St. Georges Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" be now passed.

Carried

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried Whereupon the By-law was read.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law, 1954" be now read a first time. Carried

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law, 1954" be now passed. Carried

GREATER VANCOUVER SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT LEGISLATION Alderman Copping reported that he, Mayor Cates, Superintendent Greenwood and Mr. Howard, the City Solicitor, had met with the Minister of Municipal Affairs on March 22nd, and had received a very cordial reception in their submission of objections to the proposed Greater Vancouver Sewerage Legislation.

He said he thought the delegation had covered all the points which the Council had in mind, and thought any action taken by the Government will be affected by the delegation's representations and by the submissions made by other interested parties. He said that this City does not object to the proposed Act, provided this Municipality is not included. He said it can be pointed out that we are not a part of the Vancouver area — we have our own sewerage system, approved by the Provincial Department of Health, and this could be expanded satisfactorily, if necessary, in the future. He said it was the feeling that the Minister should be thanked for the reception which was given to the delegation, and that also our objections to the proposed legislation should be summarized in the same letter.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that a letter be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, expressing the appreciation of this Council for the courtesies extended to the Council's recent delegation to Victoria opposing introduction of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District legislation

AND THAT a summary of the Council's objections to the said legislation be included in such letter.

Discussion followed.

In reply to a question, the Solicitor advised that it was not known when the proposed Bill was to be introduced, if at all. He said he understood that the Bill would be going to the Party Caucus, and that first of all the overnment had asked that the legislation be circularized

among the Municipalities concerned. He did not know whether they had all got their views back to the Government in the 10-day limit specified by the Minister. He said, however, he knew that West Vancouver, the District of North Vancouver, the District of Richmond, the City of Port Moody and the City of Port Coquitlam were all opposed to any such legislation being passed at this Session of the House.

Further discussion followed.

Alderman Copping referred to a recent editorial in the "Vancouver Daily Province". He said that we were not arguing that the proposed legislation was not a good thing, but he did not think that the newspaper was aware of the facilities which this City has already constructed, otherwise they would not have written an editorial such as they had.

The motion was then put and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Letter was received, asking if the views of the Building Committee that lots in Blocks 90 and 95, D.L. 550 could not be used for Wartime Houses and also that any such relocated houses must comply with our minimum floor requirements of 800 square feet should be passed through the Council, as the Housing Corporation has in the past dealt with the Council and not with the Building Committee.

Alderman McMillan said some weeks ago Central Mortgage had picked out certain lots for the re-location of Wartime Houses, and some of these were in Blocks 90 and 95, north of Eighth Street. He said it was also assumed last Fall by the Council that the Housing Corporation was going to remodel these buildings to bring them up to approximately 800 square feet in size. He said that although there was nothing in writing, that was our feeling. Later on, he pointed out, the Council had changed its minimum floor requirements from 600 to 800 square feet, and apparently they are taking exception to this new minimum floor area.

Alderman McMillan said he had a resolution to submit

with respect to this matter:

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Suttis that Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation be advised that this Council does not feel that it would be in the best interests of the City of North Vancouver to allow reconverted Wartime Houses to be moved to sites in Blocks 90 and 95 in D.L. 550

AND FURTHER THAT the said Housing Corporation be advised that this Council will not permit any of such buildings to be relocated in the City unless they comply with the requirements of the City's By-laws, particularly with respect

to the 800 sq. ft. minimum floor area.

Discussion followed. Acting Mayor Stewart said that when the remodelling of Wartime Houses had been discussed last year, sketches had been shown to the Council by Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation and the buildings at that time were based on approximately 800 square feet. He said in any event, the Council can only be guided by the provisions of its By-

The motion was then put and carried.

Letter was received from the Wrenette Corps, amending its previous request for permission to hold a Benefit Drive in the City for the period from May 3rd to May 17th, 1954. RECOMMEND that the North Vancouver Wrenettes Auxiliary of R.C.S.C.C."Lonsdale" be given permission to hold a Peanut

Drive in the City from May 3rd to May 17th, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above recommendation of the Finance Committee be

Carried adopted.

Letter was received from the Minister of Public Works, advising that improvements to Third Street, east of Lonsdale Avenue have not been passed in this year's Estimates, but he would look into the matter at a later date, and see if it will be possible to do anything concerning the Council's representations.

Alderman Copping said we were naturally disappointed at this work not being included in the Estimates this year, but possibly it might be found that it could be done later on.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that letters be sent to the Minister of Public Works, and to Mr. George Tomlinson, M.L.A., expressing the appreciation of this Council for their efforts to have the Provincial Highway improved this year between Lonsdale Avenue and the Easterly boundary of the City.

The Clerk submitted the Policing contract between the City and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for the period January 1st, 1954 to May 1st, 1955, on the same terms and conditions as the 1953 Contract.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal with the Corporate Seal the Policing Contract with the R.C.M.P., as now submitted, for the period January 1st, 1954 to May 31st, 1955. Carried

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. W. G. Grant, 903 East 15th Street, advising that he had received notice to vacate the said building occupied by him at that ad-

dress, as he had left the services of the Corporation. Mr. Grant asked that if he was unable to secure other accommodation by April 30th, 1954 that he be allowed an extension on the date that he must vacate.

The Clerk advised that he had given notice to Mr. Grant after he had left the employ of the City, because it would be necessary for Supt. Greenwood to place another City employee in this City House, in order that he might keep an eye on the City garbage dump which is adjacent to the property.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the action of the Clerk in giving notice to Mr. W. J. Grant, occupying premises at 903 East 15th Street, requiring him to vacate the premises on orbefore April 30th, 1954, be approved.

Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

A request was received from St. Agnes Sunday School Mothers' Auxiliary to have their picnic vessel dock at the North Vancouver Ferry Wharf on June 26th, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the St. Agnes Sunday School Mothers' Auxiliary be given permission to have their picnic vessel dock at the North Vancouver Ferry Wharf at 11 a.m. and re-dock again at approximately 8:30 p.m. on June 26th, 1954.

An invitation was received from the Canadian Legion, Branch 118, for Council members to attend a showing the film "Everybody's Handicapped" on April 14th at 8:30 p.m., in the Branch's Clubrooms, at Third & Lonsdale.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Canadian Legion be thanked for their invitation and advised that as many members of the Council as possible would be pleased to attend the above film showing.

Acting Mayor Stewart said that the film referred to was a very interesting one. He said that during the last War he had working in his shop a handicapped person, with no legs. He said this man sat on a stool all day long and did a marvellous job. He said that sometimes that type of person does better work than those without handicaps.

The motion was then put and carried.

Alderman Johnson said her Committee had received a request from Priscilla Rowley to have a street light installed in the lane at 746 East 2nd Street and that after investigation it was felt that this request could not be granted.

Moved by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Suttis that Priscilla Rowley be advised that the Council regrets that there is no provision in the Budget at the present time for a street light in the lane as requested. Carried

Moved by Alderman Bryan, seconded by Alderman Copping that this Council now adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned, at 7:45 p.m.

ACTING MAYOR.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on Wednesday, March 31st, 1954, at 8:30 a.m. Present:

His Worship Mayor C. W. Cates, Alderman J. M. Bryan, Alderman E. N. Copping and Alderman T. C. McMillan.

The Clerk reported that this Special Meeting had been posted as required by the "Municipal Act", and had been called for the purpose of considering By-laws and any other competent business.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the "Keith Road South Side, Chesterfield Avenue to Forbes Avenue Sidewalk Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the "Keith Road South Side, Chesterfield Avenue to Forbes Avenue Sidewalk Local Improvement Construction By-law, 1954" 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 2242.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Grand Boulevard, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets Sidewalk Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the "Grand Boulevard, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets Sidewalk Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" 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 2243.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Streets, East of St. Georges Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" be reconsidered.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the "Lane between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Streets, East of St. Georges Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1954" 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 2244.

Alderman Stewart entered the Council Meeting.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1954" be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the "City of North Vancouver Tax Levy By-law, 1954" 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 2245.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman $^{M}cMillon$ lan that the $^{II}City$ of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law, 1954 II be reconsidered. Carried

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Bryan that the "City of North Vancouver Percentage Additions By-law, 1954" 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 2246.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

The Clerk submitted an application from Alderman T. C. McMillan to amend the "Zoning By-law, 1950" to permit the use of Portable School Class-room Units in the City, provided the location and design have been approved by the Architectural Control Committee of the City Council.

Alderman McMillan explained that the proposed amendment is to allow the use by School District No. 44 of these portable school classroom units. He said otherwise the City would have no power to grant permission for their use.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Stewart that the above application to amend the Zoning By-law be referred to the Town Planning Commission, with a recommendation that the Commission give favourable consideration to same. Carried

Alderman Copping advised that several years ago we had considerable trouble with respect to a Company wishing to operate mining claims in our watershed area, and he said at that time an Agreement had been prepared outlining the conditions under which the Company could operate, as the Corporation had no power to stop the Company from going in to their claims.

He said Mayor Cates has gone one step further and interviewed certain Government officials in Victoria, and as a result of the interview, it was now desirable to make an application to have the Lynn Creek Watershed area made a mineral reserve, under the "Mineral Act".

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that an application be made to the Provincial Government to establish the Lynn Creek Watershed area as a mineral reserve, under the "Mineral Act" and the "Placer Mining Act".

Discussion Arose. The motion was then put and carried.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Copping that this Council adjourn.

Whereupon the Council adjourned, at 8:45 a.m.

MAYOR.