Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on Monday January 7th, 1957, at 8 p.m.

#### Present:

His Worship Mayor Charles W. Cates, Alderman W.M. Angus, Alderman E.N. Copping, Alderman K.H. Gostick, Alderman T.C. McMillan, Alderman J.A. Suttis and Alderman Elect D. Humphreys.

Mayor Cates called the Meeting to order, and asked Magistrate A.D. Pool to administer the Oaths of Office and Oaths of Allegiance to Alderman Elect D. Humphreys, Alderman T.C. McMillan, and Alderman J.A.S. Suttis.

Magistrate Pool then administered the Oaths as requested.

2 Mayor Cates then called on the Reverend J.O. Denny for prayers.

#### MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Mayor Cates advised that there were several distinguished persons present in the gallery including the Hon. James Sinclair, Minister of Fisheries, and our two M.L.A's, Mr. Mel Bryan and Mr. Newton Steacy, together with members of other public bodies in the community.

Mayor Cates Said that to begin with he would like to congratulate Alderman McMillan and Alderman Suttis on their re-election, and to offer his sincerest congratulations to Alderman Humphreys on his election. He said he hoped that Mr. Humphreys's tenure will be pleasant as a member of this Council.

Mayor Cates said that while listening to Magistrate Pool administer the Oaths of Office to the newly elected Aldermen, he had thought how wonderful it was to live in Canada and to be a part of the British Empire. He said that his firm's lawyer was of Jewish extraction and that recently he had been giving him a lecture on law. Mayor Cates said that he had been advised that the British had forgotten more about the rights of people because their traditions from the beginning had been a struggle for justice and fair play.

Mayor Cates said he thought that this starts at the Council level and that the Council members are not servants of the people but are their representatives and must administer the City's affairs without fear or favour. He said at times this is very difficult but that he could truly say of this Council that there had never been any selfish suggestion by any member over the past seven years that he had been a member.

Mayor Cates said that with respect to last year he felt it was a successful year, and that the Council had operated on an even basis.

He pointed out that the Provincial Government have been revising the new Municipal Act, and that he had been reelected again to the Union of B.C. Municipalities. He pointed out that both the City Clerk, Mr. Gibbs and himself had been consulted, along with other members of the Council, in the study of this new legislation, and that while the latter is not public, the Provincial Government have let the Union representatives give their views. He said he thought that it was very gratifying that a municipality such as ours has been allowed representation on

this very important matter.

Mayor Cates said he did not know of one move made by the Council during 1956 which he would now care to alter in any way. He pointed out that the Council had been made up of experienced men and that someone would always be able to pick up any loophole in any proposals which were under consideration.

Mayor Cates said there are very momentous days ahead and that while our finances are always severe we are in good shape despite the fact that we are still in the hands of the Receiver and still must raise about \$125,000 a year for debt purposes. He said we have lived within our budget and that he did not think that anyone had suffered because of the lack of ready cash.

Mayor Cates concluded by saying that he would like at this time to tell the Council he had appreciated the help it had given him in 1956.

Mayor Cates then submitted his Committee and Appointment recommendations, and these were read by the Clerk as follows:

#### COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 1957

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman E.N. Copping - Chairman Alderman K.H. Gostick Alderman T.C. McMillan

# LEGAL. INDUSTRIAL & BUILDING COMMITTEE Alderman T.C. McMillan - Chairman Alderman E.N. Copping

Alderman K.H. Gostick

# FIRE, LIGHT & HEALTH COMMITTEE Alderman K.H. Gostick - Chairman Alderman T.C. McMillan

Alderman E.N. Copping

### BOARD OF WORKS, WATERWORKS, POLICY COMMITTEE

Alderman J.A. Suttis - Chairman Alderman W.M. Angus

Alderman D. Humphreys

#### FERRY COMMITTEE

Alderman D. Humphreys - Chairman

Alderman J.A. Suttis, Alderman W.M. Angus

#### PARKS, TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

Alderman W.M. Angus - Chairman Alderman D. Humphreys

Alderman J.A. Suttis

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

POLICE COMMITTEE Mayor C.W. Cates Alderman T.C. McMillan Alderman E.N. Copping

### SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE

Alderman W.M. Angus Alderman D. Humphreys

#### LABOUR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Alderman E.N.Copping - Chairman Alderman J.A. Suttis Alderman T.C. McMillan Mayor C.W. Cates

#### APPOINTMENTS

Alderman T.C. McMillan Alderman J.A. Suttis Mayor C.W. Cates

TOWN PLANNING
Alderman W.M. Angus
Mayor C.W. Cates
Alderman T.C. McMillan

Mayor C.W. Cates
Alderman T.C. McMillan

COMMUNITY CENTRE
Alderman D. Humphreys
Alderman W.M. Angus

CIVIL DEFENCE
Alderman W.M. Angus
Mayor C.W. Cates

UNION BOARD OF HEALTH

NORTH VANCOUVER PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.
Alderman W.M. Angus.

Alderman K.H. Gostick

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above Committee and Appointment Recommendations of His Worship be adopted. Carried.

The Clerk advised that specific resolutions would be required to appoint the directors to the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co., to authorize Mayor Cates to vote the shares of the latter Company on behalf of the City, and to appoint the Council's representatives on the Board of Management of the North Vancouver General Hospital.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Angus that Mayor C.W. Cates and Alderman T.C. McMillan be appointed to represent this City as directors on the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that Mayor Charles W. Cates is hereby named and appointed to attend, act and vote as the proxy for and on behalf of The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver at the special general meeting of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company to be held on the 25th day of January, 1957, and at any other meeting of the shareholders of the said Company, in such manner as he, the said Mayor Charles W. Cates thinks proper; AND THAT a written form of proxy appointing him as aforesaid in a form approved by the City Solicitor, be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed by them with the Corporate Seal of the City. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Angus that Mayor C.W. Cates, Alderman T.C. McMillan and Alderman J.A. Suttis be appointed to represent the City for the year 1957 on the Board of Management of the North Vancouver General Hospital. Carried.

The Clerk advised that it was the usual practise to appoint an Acting Mayor at the first meeting of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Copping that Alderman William Angus be appointed Acting Mayor during the absence or illness of Mayor Cates. Carried.

Alderman Angus said he would like at this time to extend a vote of appreciation to Magistrate A.D. Pool for officiating at the swearing in ceremony this evening.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Copping that this Council record a vote of appreciation to Magistrate Pool for his assistance in officiating in the swearing in ceremony this evening. Carried unanimously.

Magistrate Pool said it was a pleasure to him to attend.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that this Council express its appreciation to the Reverend J.O. Denny for starting the Council off in the right direction with prayers. Carried unanimously.

The Reverend Denny acknowledged the vote of appreciation with thanks.

Mayor Cates then recessed the Council for ten minutes.

The Council reconvened.

#### MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council held on December 17th, 1956 and of the special meetings of the Council held on December 27th and December 31st, 1956, be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all Council members. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

From the Electrical Inspectors' Association of B.C. extending an invitation to the Council to send representatives to their 8th Annual Conference in Burnaby on February 7th, 8th and 9th 1957.

- Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping at that Mr. H.G. Robertson, Electrical Inspector be authorized to attend the 8th Annual Conference of the Electrical Inspectors Association of B.C. to be held in Burnaby February 7th, 8th and 9th, 1957. Carried.
- From the Memorial Community Centre requesting a meeting s between representatives of the Council and their committee to discuss the possible use of the City's Lonsdale and Scout halls.

Alderman Copping suggested that we advise them that we have referred the matter to the Council's Legal and Finance Committees for a suitable date.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the above request be referred to the Council's representatives on the Community Centre, Alderman Humphreys and Alderman Angus, to meet with the representatives of the Community Centre to ascertain what their requirements are, and report back. Carried

From the Capilano Nurseries, Marine Drive & Bewicke protesting against the indiscriminate issuance of licences for the sale of Christmas trees, and applying to rent City property on the south side of Marine Drive near the Heywood Community hall.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Copping that this request be referred to the Finance and Legal Committees for study.

Alderman Gostick said that in the meantime he was sure that any of the Council who had travelled around during the Christmas season had seen the tremendous waste of trees. He said that insofar as this Council is concerned we can only control the matter within our own boundary, but he said that he thought that next year we must restrict the sale of Christmas trees to licenced florists or nurserymen.

Alderman Humphreys said that he would like to support Alderman Gostick's remarks except that he thought the Boy Scouts should be allowed to sell Christmas trees. He said he was against itinerants coming into the municipality for the Christmas trade and picking up a fast buck.

Alderman Copping said that there was also the question of the waste of future forests.

Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

From the Community Planning Association of Canada advising that their third course in Community Planning will be 2 held shortly at the University of B.C.

Alderman McMillan said that he believed our own Town Planning Commission appointed someone to attend this course.

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

Alderman Humphreys asked for information as to the operation of the Town Planning Commission, and the Clerk gave an outline of their constitution and responsibilities.

Mayor Cates said that our Town Planning Commission is a very capable group.

The motion was then put and carried.

From Mr. Doug Yates, 136 East 6th Street advising that 4 his boy had been hit by a car at 6th and Lonsdale on December 20th, 1956, and asking for improvements to traffic conditions at this intersection.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Gostick that this matter be referred to the Traffic Committee for study and recommendation. Carried.

From Mr. E.R. Timlock and Mr. L.J. Martin applying for the construction of a road in front of their property in the 600 block East 21st Street.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Suttis that this request be referred to the Board of Works Committee for a recommendation. Carried.

6. From Mr. H.D. Bundy, 429 East 14th Street requesting street improvements.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Suttis that this request be referred to the Board of Works Committee for a recommendation. Carried.

7 From Mr. J.D. Jellis, City Assessor asking for advice as to what salary the City is prepared to pay for the hiring of a qualified structural appraiser this year.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Angus that the above request from Mr. Jellis be referred to the Finance Committee, but that he be advised not to advertise for an appraiser as suggested until the Committee has met with him. Carried.

Letters were received from Howard B. Hedley, W.H. Hilborn, George and Evelyn Furnadjieff, Mrs. W. K. Hackett, Ole D. Ulstein, Mrs. K.S. Brook, H.J. Foster and Edward Dawson complaining of drainage and flooding conditions in their respective areas.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that these complaints be referred to the Board of Works Committee for consideration at the next meeting on Monday January 14th, 1957. Carried.

A letter was received, signed by Superintendent Greenwood, and Mr. R.M. Howard, City Solicitor, advising that the complaint of Mr. H.B. Hedley, of 116 East 26th Street has been examined, and they are both of the opinion that the City has no responsibility with respect to the erosion of Mr. Hedley's property as a result of flood conditions in the said creek.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above letter be referred to the Board of Works Committee for consideration. Carried.

DUE ACCOUNTS

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

364 Finance

\$ 2,795.41 Carried with Mayor Cates refraining from voting.

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

371 Social Welfare 762.07 56.73 7 1 " " 3,934.39 374 Authorization 50.00 \$ 4,803.19 Carried.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

368 Building \$ 1,106.23 Carried.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

369 Police \$ 519.12 Carried

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

370 Fire \$ 5,210.90\tau Carried

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

365 Board of Works 11,173.58 \$12,952.13 Carried.

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

373 Ferry \$ 5,844.40 Carried.

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

367 Parks \$ 1,128.61 \ Carried.

MOTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS
The Clerk submitted a certificate from the County Court with respect to By-law 2501.

Moved by Alderman Gostick, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the above certificate be received and filed. Carried.

Alderman Copping said that the City has under consideration a new method of taking care of pension arrangements for employees over the age of 40 who are not taken care of under superannuation. He said the new plan will be cheaper for employees and of distinct advantage to them. He said that he would like, therefore, to submit the following resolution:

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that By-law No. 1758 known as "The City of North Vancouver Employees Life Insurance Authorization By-law, 1946" be amended to provide for the adoption and use of the London Life Group Retirement Plan as submitted in their brief dated November 27th, 1956, to take effect as from December 1st, 1956. Carried.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the "Inter-municipal Sewer Agreement By-law, 1956" be now reconsidered. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the "Inter-municipal Sewer Agreement By-law, 1956" 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 numbered 2506.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Gostick seconded by Alderman Humphreys that all unfinished Committee business or items referred to the 1956 Council, be now referred to the appropriate 1957 Committee for consideration. Carried.

A Letter was received from the District of North Vancouver expressing appreciation for the privilege of holding their regular Council meeting in the City Hall on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, and also asking if they might have the privilege of using the Council Chambers on Monday January 14th, 1957 in order to make the necessary change in their procedure By-law.

Moved by Alderman Angus, secondedby Alderman Suttis that the District of North Vancouver be advised that it will be in order for the District Council to use the City Hall Council Chambers on Monday January 14th, 1957, as requested in their letter of January 7th, 1957. Carried.

Alderman Humphreys asked for information with respect to the footbridges over McKay Creek.

Alderman Suttis advised that considerable vandalism had occurred to these bridges, but the City had repaired them and had advised the various school groups of the occurrence. The latter had investigated the situation and had promised to keep a watch on these facilities, but felt that some of the damage had been done by children not attending school, or outside of school hours.

Alderman Suttis said that we had run out of money East year and could not have repaired the bridges again if they had been damaged a second time.

Alderman Suttis said that the School Board and Principals'

Association and the P.T.A's had admitted that these bridges had been mainly used for children attending Hamilton Junior High School and because of this they would maintain a close watch on the situation and advise us as to any new developments. Alderman Suttis said that we think that they are co-operating very well on the problem.

Alderman Copping said that he would like at this point to give some information as to the breakdown of how the City spent each revenue dollar in 1956, as follows:

Schools	25.33¢
Debt	7.39¢
Ferry Deficit	5.09¢
Protection to Persons and Property:  Fire 7.92¢ )  Police 3.71¢ )  Street Lighting 1.72¢ ) Other Inspections 2.61¢ )	
Other Inspections 2.61¢)	15.96¢
Public Works	18.18¢
Sanitation and Waste Removal	2.32¢
Health	1.91¢
Social Welfare	4.45¢
Recreation and Community Services	4.84¢
Waterworks	5.94¢
Administration	8.59¢
	\$ 1.00
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Alderman Copping said that the City's revenue dollar was made up as follows:

55.5¢ from Taxes 44.5¢ from Grants, Permits and Water Rates, etc.

Alderman Copping said that a lot of people were complaining about Board of Works facilities, but he pointed out that only 18.18¢ of each dollar had been spent by our Public Works Department last year.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the figures as submitted by Alderman Copping be placed in the Minutes for the information of Council members. Carried.

Alderman Suttis said that he hoped that Alderman Copping's benevolent attitude will be maintained through the budget discussions, and if there was anything he could do to foster this feeling he said he would be only too glad to do so.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that this Council now adjourn. Carried.

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 9.15 p.m.

John Woots

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on Monday January 21st, 1957, at 8.00 p.m.

#### Present:

His Worship Mayor Charles W. Cates, Alderman W.M. Angus, Alderman E.N. Copping, Alderman D. Humphreys, Alderman T.C. McMillan and Alderman J.A. Suttis.

#### MINUTES

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on January 7th, 1957 be taken as read and adopted, copies of same having been given to all members of the Council. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Police Magistrate A.D. Pool requesting an increase in his monthly stipend to \$275.00 per month.

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

From the Lower Mainland Regional Planning Board of B.C. asking if the Council would appoint a representative to attend meetings of the Lower Mainland Municipalities to consider the Board's recent report on a Metropolitan Parks system.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman Humphreys, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Lower Mainland Regional Planning Board be asked for further information as to when and how often its proposed meetings would be held before this Council decides on whether it will send a representative or not. Carried.

From Mr. A.C. Robinson, 849 East 7th Street protesting against the condition of the maple floor in the North Vancouver Community Centre which was damaged because of leaks in the roof.

Alderman McMillan said that he thought this is a School Board matter.

Alderman Angus said that he had inspected the floor in question and that it is like corrugated iron and is in terrible shape. He said that he had been advised that it is a School Board responsibility, and he doubted whether the original roofing contractors bond would now apply.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Clerk forward the above letter from Mr. Robinson to the School Board expressing the Council's alarm at the situation, and that Mr. Robinson be advised accordingly.

Carried.

From R.J. Mitchell, President of the North Shore Ministerial Association advising that the Association has passed a resolution urging that something be done to provide more hospital space, and asking for permission to meet with the City and District Councils in Committee to explain their reasons for making such request.

Mayor Cates said that a meeting has been arranged for the 31st of January with the three North Shore municipalities, and it would not be possible to discuss the hospital situation with the Ministerial Association until after such meeting.

Discussion followed.

- Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the Clerk advise the Ministerial Association that -
  - (1) We are having a meeting shortly with the other North Shore municipalities to give further consideration to the need for additional hospital space.
  - (2) This Council realizes the need for more hospital accommodation on the North Shore.
  - (3) The Council appreciates the Association's interest in this matter.
  - (4) The Council may call on the Association for their help and support in the future when definite plans are formulated.
- Alderman Humphreys asked for information as to the situation and any progress that was being made towards securing additional hospital accommodation on the North Shore.

Mayor Cates and Alderman McMillan then outlined the previous discussions over the past two years with respect to negotiations and plans for additional hospital accommodation.

Alderman Humphreys said that he hoped that the Council will press on to get additional hospital accommodation for the North Shore as soon as possible.

Further discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

From the North Vancouver Kinsmens Club requesting permission to hold their annual Mothers' March on polio of February 16th, 1957 between the hours of 6.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Gostick that the North Vancouver Kinsmens Club be granted permission to hold their Mothers! March on Polio on February 16, 1957 between the hours of 6.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. Carried.

Two letters were received from the Totem Athletic Club asking, firstly, if the City would donate a trophy to the best all-round Indian Athlete, namely, Eddie Campbell of the Totem Athletic Club, and, secondly. if the Council would give some further support with respect to the activities of the Club.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the above letters from the Totem Athletic Club be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

Carried.

From the North Shore Union Board of Health asking for a pre-payment on account of the City's share of operating costs for the year 1957.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay the sum of \$1,000.00 a month to the North Shore Union Board for the year 1957, until the 1957 Budget of the Council is passed. Carried.

From the North Vancouver City & District Schools Band applying for a donation towards the annual operation of the band, and asking for the number and locations of public concerts to be played in order to qualify for the City's grant.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the request of the North Vancouver City & District Schools Band with reference to a 1957 grant be referred to Estimates for consideration, and that the Finance Committee be authorized to advise the Band with respect to the number and locations of public concerts which will be required in order to qualify for any grant.

From the Architectural Institute of B.C. recommending the acquisition of open spaces or plazas as a Centennial project.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the above letter from the Architectural Institute of B C. with respect to Centennial projects be referred to the City's Centennial Chairman, Alderman Angus. Carried.

From the Ratepayers' Federation of the District of North Vancouver asking the Council to appoint a representative # to sit on a special North Shore body to study and make recommendations concerning the possible integration of public services on the North Shore.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that we advise the Ratepayers' Federation of the District of North Vancouver that while this Council does not feel that a sitting member of Council should be an official representative on their proposed North Shore Committee for the study of integration of inter-municipal services, nevertheless any time any Council members could help by attending meetings of the joint committee for the purpose of giving information they would be only too pleased to do so.

Alderman Humphreys said he felt that the resolution is too lukewarm in view of the interest on the problems mentioned by the Federation, and that while it may be that the proposed committee of part-time workers might not be able to provide any satisfactory answer, he asked if it would not be better to advise them that proper machinery for studying this problem would likely be available in the new legislation.

Alderman Copping pointed out the letter was from the District organization and we might be treading on District toes. He said he felt we might be able to help better with inter-municipal meetings with other municipalities.

Alderman McMillan said that if the Council appointed a member on such a Committee he could not commit the Council at any meetings of the Committee and could only submit his own personal views.

Mayor Cates said that this Council body is the one that must make the decisions, therefore, we cannot turn over our control to another outside group, although we felt that we could go as individuals and submit our views to the proposed study group as suggested by the Federation.

Alderman Humphreys said that he agreed with His Worship pointing out, however, that the Federation group could not make decisions on its own but was for the purpose of research and study.

Alderman Humphreys moved an amendment to the effect that the Federation be informed that this Council is sympathetic with their wish for a study of integration and proposed amalgamation of services, and that this Council hopes that a study on a governmental or expert plane can be arranged in the near future which would relieve a citizens committee of having to conduct such a study, but there was no seconder to his suggested amendment.

Discussion followed.

Alderman Suttis said that the proposed study could be very costly. He pointed out that there has been considerable study by different groups on this matter in the past, and that we now have employees who could give us a lot of information first before we decide to undertake such a study. He suggested that this matter be tabled in the meantime.

Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

From Stanley A. Lane, 836 Grand Boulevard complaining / of drainage conditions.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that Mr. Stanley A. Lane be advised of the factors involved in effecting a permanent solution to the drainage problem he complains of, and also that the Superintendent of Works has been instructed to make what improvements he can with the money allotted to him. Carried.

2 From Mr. H. J. Foster, 234 East 17th Street complaining of drainage conditions.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus, that Mr. H.J. Foster be advised that the Council is aware of the serious drainage problem in his area, and hopes that funds may be found this year to finance the necessary works to alleviate this problem. Carried.

From Mr. Alex Baird, 109 East 14th Street complaining of flood damage caused by the overflow of a culvert in his

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that Mr. Alex Baird be advised that it is intended that the creek about which he has complained be intercepted on 15th Street and diverted entirely from its present course through private property and that it is hoped that funds will be found for this project soon. Carried.

4 From the Town Planning Commission requesting a grant of \$400.00 for the year 1957.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that this request be referred to Estimates for consideration

Alderman Humphreys asked if our Town Planning Commission met with other Town Planning Commissions on the North Shore.

Alderman Angus said that our Commission has met several times with the District of North Vancouver and have requested other meetings, but the District Town Planning Commissions had declined to meet with them.

Mayor Cates said that our Town Planning Commission is a very conscientious body.

Alderman Copping said that both municipalities had a joint zoning survey several years ago by the firm of Harland Bartholomew & Associates.

He said that although we do not employ a planner we have recently employed the same firm to revise our present zoning by-law and plan. He said that the District of North Vancouver actually employs planners.

Discussion followed.

The motion was: then put and carried.

From J.A. Hemm complaining of road and gutter dis-repair on Second Street east of Lonsdale Avenue.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Suttis that this complaint be referred to the Board of Works Committee for consideration. Carried.

APPLICATIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY

The Clerk advised there were four applications to purchase tax sale lands and that three of these had been approved by the Council in Committee. The fourth application, from Mr. John Drozdoff, to purchase Lots 20 & 21, Block 167, D.L. 274 was being withheld at this time pending further information with respect to the plans of the purchaser.

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

Lot	Block	D.L.	Name of Purchaser	<u>Price</u>
7	202	544	David Arthur Moulding and Mary Elizabeth Moulding	\$2,300. Carried. g
23 & 24	213	544/545	Stanley Thomas Davies and Florence Eileen Davies	\$2,500. Carried subject to N.H.A. approval and consol- idation.
6 & 7	161	274	John Drozdoff	\$3,500. Carried.

**PETITIONS** 

The Clerk submitted a petition under the Local Improvement

3 Act for the construction of a sanitary sewer on 10th Street
from Ridgeway Avenue to the lane west of the Grand Boulevard,
together with his certificate of sufficiency.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the above petition be referred to the Superintendent of Works for the necessary reports and estimates of costs as required by the Local Improvement Act. Carried.

The Clerk submitted a further petition for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of 17th Street between Hamilton and Fell Avenues under the Local Improvement Act, together with his certificate of sufficiency.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the above petition be referred to the Superintendent of Works for the necessary reports and estimates of costs as required by the Local Improvement Act. Carried.

DUE ACCOUNTS

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

375 Finance 5,025.11 638.95

384 Social Welfare 3,474.87 \$ 9,138.93 Carried.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

380 Building

\$ 980.82 Carried.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

382 Police

\$ 8,677-27 Carried.

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

383 Fire 381 Light

341.94 2,131.59 \$ 2,473.53 Carried.

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

376 Board of Works 5,310.35 377 " " 617.38

378 Waterworks <u>197.30</u> \$ 6,125.03 Carried.

Moved by Alderman Humphreys, seconded by Alderman Angus that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

385 Ferry

\$ 2,810.82 Carried.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following warrant:

379 Parks

\$ 78.14 Carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Alderman Copping submitted the following recommendations on behalf of the Finance Committee: •

RECOMMEND THAT Capilano Nurseries be advised that this Council is giving consideration to a review of its policy with respect to the licensing of persons for the sale of Christmas trees each year, and further that the Company's application for the lease of industrial property on the south side of Marine Drive near the Heywood Community Centre hall for the storage of nursery stock is not available for this purpose as it is on our list of property for industrial development.

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

Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

RECOMMEND that Lot 4, Resub. 5 & 6, Block 5, D.L. 548 be reserved for drainage purposes and prospective purchasers advised that under the circumstances it is not for sale.

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

RECOMMEND that Lot 50, Block 241, D.L. 544 be reserved for drainage purposes and prospective purchasers advised that under the circumstances it is not for sale.

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

RECOMMEND that the leave of absence granted by the Council 3 to Mr. Tom Griffin, Board of Works employee on November 5th, 1956, be extended for a further two months, terminating on February 28th, 1957.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. A.G. Gray be granted an extra weeks "holiday at the end of his regular holiday, which this year will terminate on March 4th.

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

Alderman Angus asked if the extra weeks holiday was with pay.

Alderman Copping replied that the Committee is giving Mr. Gray an extra week but has not decided yet whether it is with or without pay.

The motion was then put and carried.

RECOMMEND that the Valley View Memorial Gardens Ltd., be advised that there is no provision in the Municipal Act for granting a blanket form of licence as requested, and therefore, their application dated January 4th, 1957 for such a licence be refused.

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

RECOMMEND THAT Mayor C.W. Cates be authorized to attend the Civil Defence course at Arnprior, Ontario from February 27th to March 2nd, 1957.

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

Mayor Cates said it was understood that the Government will be paying his expenses in connection with the attendance at this course.

The motion was then put and carried.

Alderman Copping said he would like at this time to report on the 1956 activities of the Board of Debt Retirement, and gave the following figures:

In 1943 the debt of the City was \$2,515,865.65, the population at that time being 8,194 or a per capita debt of \$282.23.

In 1956 the debt of the City was \$1,758,995.70 less cash on hand of \$24,496.18, or a net debt of \$1,734,499.52, the 1956 population being 19,815 which resulted in a per capita debt of \$87.53.

He said this year we have purchased bonds of a par value of \$88,646.67 at a cost of \$80,917.94 or an average cost of \$91.28 per hundred. He said our average purchase of debentures per year is \$54,062.14.

In 1955 Alderman Copping advised that the Board purchased City debentures of a par value of \$34,543.33 at a cost of \$31,757.39 or an average cost of \$91.93 per hundred. He said we have paid off a total of \$723,069.96 at a cost of \$585,955.74.

Out of our tax revenue he advised that we raised in 1956 the sum of \$110,000.00 for the purpose of providing \$53,342.68 for debenture interest payments, and \$56,657.32 for repayment of principal. The latter figure, he said had been augmented by a cash carry over from 1955 amounting to \$48,756.80 and that at the end of last year the Board would be carrying forward into 1957 a cash balance of \$24,496.18.

Alderman Humphreys said that the increased cost of the City debentures in 1956 reflects the increase in the confidence of our bond holders.

LEGAL, INDUSTRIAL & BUILDING COMMITTEE
Alderman McMillan submitted the following recommendation
on behalf of his Committee:

2 RECOMMEND that the present lease between the City and the Joseph Chew Shingle Co. Ltd., covering a portion of parcel "Z", D.L. 271 be continued on a month to month basis during the pleasure of the Council.

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

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE
Alderman Suttis submitted the following recommendations on behalf of his Committee:

RECOMMEND that a new system of cost accounting be put into effect in the Engineering Department, as approved by the Superintendent of Works, the City Treasurer and the City Auditors, AND THAT the use of a 2-week pay period for all City employees be approved, subject to the concurrence of the Unions involved.

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

4 RECOMMEND that Mr. H.D. Bundy be advised that it was necessary to postpone completion of the necessary road work in his block, owing to emergency conditions occasioned by recent floods, but that instructions have been given to the Board of Works foreman to complete this work as soon as possible.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. Joe Ollinger be advised that the City is aware of the bad drainage problem existing in his area, and will do what it can within the means at its disposal to correct it temporarily, but that it is unlikely that funds will be available in 1957 to effect a complete cure AND FURTHER that the City's policy during 1957, since it has so many commitments, is not to hard-surface any streets where it will not assist the drainage problem.

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

Discussion followed.

The motion was then put and carried.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be instructed to intercept on 4th Street the water complained about by Mrs. Kathleen S. Brook, and take it east to St. Patricks Avenue, where it will discharge into the ditch on St. Patricks AND FURTHER that the north side of the lane at the rear of the Fraser Apartments be ditched.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. Ole D. Ulstein be advised of the factors involved in effecting a permanent solution to the drainage problem he complains of, and also that the Superintendent of Works has been instructed to make what improvements he can with the money allotted to him.

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

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be given instructions to grade the 400 Block East 16th Street and put in a shallow ditch on the south side of the street.

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

RECOMMEND that G. and E. Furnadjieff be advised that the Council is aware of the serious drainage problem in their area, and hopes it will be possible this year to finance the necessary works to alleviate this problem.

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

RECOMMEND that the City regrets that it cannot see its way clear to opening 17th Street eastward to Mountain Highway in 1957.

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

RECOMMEND that negotiations for the acquisition by the 7 City of the property described as all but the westerly 25 feet of Parcel A of Lot 12, Block 38, D.L. 548 be held over to some future date.

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

RECOMMEND that Mildred A. Torrance be advised that the problem of bad drainage throughout this area is known to the Council, and that the situation is at present under study, but that it is not known at this time whether money will be available in 1957 to completely cure this situation AND FURTHER that in the meantime the Superintendent of Works has been instructed to do what he can within the means available to him.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. Roy E. Betts and Mr. J.R. McCreery be advised that the Council is aware of the serious drainage problem in their area, and hopes it will be possible to finance the necessary works to alleviate this problem this year.

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

RECOMMEND that Mr. Howard B. Hedley be advised that 3 an examination has been made of the area about which he complained by letter dated December 31st, 1956, and the Council is of the opinion that the City has no responsibility with respect to the erosion of his property as a result of flood conditions in the creek adjacent to same.

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

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be instructed to continue the deepening of the ditch along the north side of 24th Street, as far up as Mahon Avenue.

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

Alderman Suttis said that his Committee had met with the people in this area and had had a nice discussion and had explained the situation to them.

The motion was then put and carried.

PARKS, TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
Alderman Angus submitted the following recommendations
on behalf of his Committee:

\* RECOMMEND that signs reading "Slow School Children" be placed at both ends of the Lynn Valley Cut-off.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above recommendation of the Parks, Transportation & Traffic Committee be adopted. Carried.

RECOMMEND that a copy of the report from the R.C.M.P. concerning the traffic accident on December 20th, 1956 at the intersection of Lonsdale and 6th Street be forwarded to Mr. Yates.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above recommendation of the Parks, Transportation & Traffic Committee be adopted. Carried.

7. RECOMMEND that the Superintendent of Works be instructed to erect appropriate signs marking the crosswalk existing at Mahon Avenue and Keith Road.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above recommendation of the Parks, Transportation

& Traffic Committee be adopted. Carried.

RECOMMEND that the Superintendent be instructed to / install a crosswalk at the intersection of Jones and Keith, on the east side of Jones, crossing from north to south on Keith, as sooh as weather conditions permit.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above recommendations of the Parks, Transportation & Traffic Committee be adopted. Carried.

RECOMMEND that the request from the R.C.M.P. that School Zone signs be erected on Keith Road East of Mahon and West of Chesterfield be referred to the 1957 Estimates.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above recommendation of the Parks, Transportation & Traffic Committee be adopted. Carried.

RECOMMEND that A/S/Sgt. Backler, R.C.M.P. be advised that his request that signs indicating half-hour parking zones in the Lower Lonsdale area be erected at the standard height of 7 feet will be considered in the 1957 Budget.

Moved by Alderman Angus, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above recommendation of the Parks, Transportation & Traffic Committee be adopted. Carried.

MOTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS
The Clerk submitted application and plans for the erection
# of two apartment buildings by Mr. F.R. Huwyler, on Lot D & F, Block 135, D.L. 271.

Alderman McMillan suggested that this Council go into Committee of the whole at the end of the Council Meeting to consider these plans. Agreed to.

The Clerk advised that it was the usual practice to 5 authorize the Acting Mayor to sign cheques, etc., in the absence of the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that Alderman W.M. Angus be authorized to sign cheques and other documents in his capacity as Acting-Mayor during the absence, illness or other disability of Mayor Cates,

AND FURTHER that the former authority of ex Acting-Mayor J. M. Bryan be now cancelled and the Royal Bank of Canada advised accordingly. Carried.

The Clerk submitted the annual reports of the Fire Chief for the year 1956, his own annual report with respect to 1956 land sales, and the report of the Building Inspector for the year 1956.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Humphreys that the above annual reports be received, acknowledged with thanks, and filed. Carried.

g. The Clerk submitted the report of the Fire Chief for the month of December, 1956.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the above report be received and filed.

The Clerk submitted certificates from the County Court with respect to By-laws No. 2493 to 2500 inclusive, and 2502 to 2506 inclusive.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the above certificates be received and filed.

Alderman Suttis said at this time he would like to submit a resolution with respect to the Water Agreement between the City and District.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the District of North Vancouver be advised that the terms of the Inter-municipal Water Agreement between the City and the District with respect to the sharing of water rates will be in effect pending the execution of a new agreement. Carried.

BY-LAWS

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Suttis that the "Tax Sale Properties Reserve Expenditure By-law 1957, No. 1" be introduced and read a first time. Carried. Whereupon the By-law was then read.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the "Tax Sale Properties Reserve Expenditure By-law 1957, No. 1" be now passed, subject to reconsideration. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Fourth Street South side Queensbury Avenue to Sutherland Avenue Local Improvement Sidewalk Special Rates By-law, 1957" be introduced and read a first time. Carried.

Whereupon the By-law was then read.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus
that the "Fourth Street South side Queensbury Avenue to
Sutherland Avenue Local Improvement Sidewalk Special
Rates By-law, 1957" be now passed, subject to reconsideration. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the "Twentyfirst Street, from Lonsdale Avenue to St. Andrews Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1957" be introduced and read a first time. Carried.

Whereupon the By-law was then read.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the "Twenty-first Street, from Lonsdale Avenue to St. Andrews Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1957" be now passed, subject to reconsideration. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the "Eastern Avenue and St. Georges Avenue, in Block 207, D.L. 545 Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1957" be introduced and read a first time. Carried.

Whereupon the By-law was then read.

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Eastern Avenue and St. Georges Avenue in Block 207, D.L. 545 Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1957" be now passed, subject to reconsideration. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Copping that the "Lane between 19th and 20th Streets between Neilson Avenue and Hamilton Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1957" be introduced and read a first time. Carried.

Whereupon the By-law was then read.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman Angus that the "Lane between 19th and 20th Streets between Neilson Avenue and Hamilton Avenue Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement Special Rates By-law, 1957" be now passed, subject to reconsideration. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A letter was received from the Community Centre stating that they would like to have accommodation in either the Lonsdale Hall or the Scout Hall, as follows:

- (a) Three room areas 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. daily except Saturday.
- (b) One room for leadership training 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- (c) One room for Schools Band 7.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. each Thursday night.

Moved by Alderman Humphreys, seconded by Alderman Angus that this request be referred to the Legal & Building Committee for consideration. Carried.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Mayor Cates said he would like to report that he had attended a meeting with Mr. Gunderson, Manager of the P.G.E, last week and he had been invited to make a trip on the P.G.E. to Prince George in their new cars. He said that that would mean being away from Monday to Wednesday of next week.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman Angus that permission be granted Mayor Cates to accept the above invitation from Mr. Gunderson. Carried.

Alderman Humphreys said that he had noticed that the City of Vancouver is continually having trouble with the preservation of the St. Roche, particularly with respect to a permanent location. He said it had occurred to him that it might be a good idea for the City of North Vancouver to take this boat off their hands, and he said he would like to recommend that this Council do so. He asked if Mayor Cates would indicate his opinion on this matter.

Mayor Cates said that maybe the Council could have some discussion on it, and that he was prepared to do whatever the Council wants.

Alderman McMillan said that from reports it appeared it would cost about \$125,000.00 to take the boat out of the water and build a proper housing.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that Alderman Humphreys be authorized to bring in a more detailed report at a future meeting of the Council as to the final disposition and location of the St. Roche. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Suttis, seconded by Alderman McMillan that this Council now resolve itself into a Committee as a whole with the Mayor as Chairman. Carried.

IN COMMITTEE

#### IN COUNCIL

Moved by Alderman McMillan, seconded by Alderman, Copping that this Council give approval to the issuance of building permits to Mr. F.H. Huwyler to erect two apartment buildings, one on Lot D, Block 135 and the other on Lot F, Block 135, D.L. 271 in accordance with the applications and plans now submitted. Carried.

The Council members then discussed the possibility of making a grant to the North Shore Neighbourhood House 2 to allow the latter to renovate the two additional rooms which the Council recently agreed to rent to them for the use of the Senior Citizens.

Moved by Alderman Copping, seconded by Alderman McMillan that the matter of a grant to the North Shore Neighbourhood House for the above purpose be left in the hands of the Building Committee with power to make a suitable grant if they consider it is necessary. Carried.

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

Whereupon the Council adjourned at 10.20 p.m.

MAYOR.