

MAR 18 1899

The Council met in Bakers Hall on
Saturday 18 Mar 1899 at 2. pm.
Present Reeve Schou in the Chair &
Couns: Byrne, Cliff, Smith, Sprout & Stride.

Minutes of last Meeting were read &
on motion were adopted.

Copy of letter sent to Hon: Ch. Semlin & Mr.
Thos: Kidd M.P.P. & the latter's letter in
reply thereto were read. Moved & seconded
that the action of the Reeve & Clerk be
approved & that they again answer Mr. Kidd's
communication. Carried.

Counc: Stride reported that Contractor Allen
had signed Contract, in conformity of resolution

passed in last Council Meeting. The Contract was read & on motion approved.

Counc. J. Carter Smith reported that J. E. Allen, the Contractor for erecting the new Municipal Hall was not executing the work to the satisfaction of himself & Coun. Stride & that Allen had been notified, that unless the work was performed according to contract, that it would not be accepted.

A Communication from Mr. F. J. Coulthard soliciting the Insurance on the new Municipal Hall was read. Moved & seconded by Couns. Smith & Byrne & resolved that the matter be laid over till next meeting.

Mr. Kirkland's ape for \$5⁰⁰ laid over from last meeting was taken up. A Communication from Mr. D. Robson, Govt. Agent, on this subject was read. On motion it was resolved that the Clerk acknowledge Mr. Robson's communication, and that the matter lay over till next meeting, in the mean time the Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Kirkland & obtain from him some acknowledgement that the ape was in order.

Mr. Smither's ape laid over from last Meeting was taken up. Mr. Smither was allowed to address the Council & offer an

Explanation of the items in dispute.

Moved & seconded by Couns. Smith & Byrne & resolved that Mr. Smither be paid \$41⁰⁰ being \$27⁰⁰ as C.M.C. for Febry & \$14⁰⁰ Balance from previous account, and that the two amounts of \$20⁰⁰ each claimed for Balance due for making Collectors roll for 1895-6 & for Commission on collection on Govt. Contribution towards Burraby Road in 1896, be not acknowledged.

M^r W. J. Briggs a/c for \$6⁵⁰ which was omitted to be passed for payment at last meeting was on motion ordered paid.

Moved & seconded by Couns. Smith & Sprout & resolved that a vote of thanks be tendered the Clerk for performing work outside his duties, which had been caused by the late conflagration.

The Clerk reported the Balance of the Bank a/c as follows #1 a/c D^r \$325.72 #2 a/c Cr^t \$107⁰⁰/₁₀₀ which with temp. loans of \$900⁰⁰ amounted in all to a D^r of \$1118.69.

The Clerk reported that the Cash Book for last Year was now complete & ready for the Auditor.

On motion of Couns. Byrne, seconded by Couns. Cliff it was resolved to close #2 a/c in the Bank of Montreal & in future to pass all Cash items through a Current Account

The Clerk reported that he had received from the late Clerk, Three Vols. of B.C. Statutes, the re-copied Minute Book & the Ballot Box, & that Mr. Smith had now handed over all the property of the Corporation that was in his possession.

Moved & seconded by Couns. Sprout & Stude & resolved That the Court of Revision be held at Baker's Hall on Saturday 29th Apl. at 10 o'clock a.m. & that the Clerk advertise the same in B.C. Gazette & Columbian.

Moved & seconded by Couns. Byrne & Smith & resolved that the Clerk be authorized to obtain official cheques & to purchase, Copy Press & whatever stationery was required for the use of the Corporation.

The Clerk reported that he considered that it would be necessary to recopy the much charred Cash Book, containing all the records of the Corporation since its inception. As the cost of performing the work would be considerable it was moved & seconded by Couns. Stude & ^{Cliff} Smith that Coun. Smith take the opinion of the Corporation Solicitor as to the necessity of having such copy made. Carried.

Coun. Sprout reported re Ledger Ditch & brought in specification showing work

required to be done. Moved & seconded by
 Couns. Byrne & Cliff that the matter
 lay over till the first meeting in July,
 as pending the receipt of further tax
 arrears & taxes for the present year,
 the Council cannot undertake any work
 that is not absolutely necessary. Carried.

Moved & seconded by Couns. Smith & Cliff &
 resolved that Coun. Byrne be authorized
 to repair road (Extension of Jubilee Rd) in
 Ward one.

On motion the Council adjourned till
 Saturday Week at 2pm.

Nicola C. Schan.
 Recd.