

Friday - December 28th, 1934.

A Regular sitting of the Commissioner was held at the Municipal Hall on Friday, December 28th, 1934 at 10.00 a.m.
Present: Commissioner Hugh. M. Fraser; C.B. Brown, Municipal Clerk, R. Bolton, Treasurer, A.C. Bell, Mr. E.P. Scott; A. McFee; Dr. Sager and Mr. F.J. Russell.

Ordered: "That the minutes of the sitting of December 19th inst. be adopted as written and confirmed."

Correspondence was received and dealt with as follows:

1. Brigadier Allen - Salvation Army - requesting refund of \$2.50 rental paid for Fir Lodge, December 27th, 1934 - used for Children's party.
The Treasurer recommended that the refund be made.

Ordered: "That the recommendation of the Treasurer be and is hereby adopted."

2. P. McVicar - requesting extension of time for removal of shingle bolts and timber purchased from the Corporation off D.L.s 102, 101, N^o 211; S^{pt} 31; and North half of Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, D.L. 210.

The Clerk recommended that an extension of time up to December 31st, 1935 be granted.
Ordered: "That the recommendation of the Clerk be and is hereby adopted."

The Chief Constable submitted reports on fires as follows:

Dec. 18th, 1934	4211 Dundas St.	Chimney	No loss.
Dec. 20th, 1934	4055 Union St.	Chimney	Loss \$5.00
Dec. 23rd, 1934	630 18th Ave.	Roof	Unstated.
Dec. 25th, 1934	164 16th Ave. E.	Chimney	
Dec. 25th, 1934	Marlborough Ave.	Basement	Loss \$200.00

Ordered: "That the reports be received and filed."

The Treasurer submitted recommendations that allowances under Section 274 of the Municipal Act be made as follows:

To A. Aitken, 1714 6th St.	Lot 14, Blk. 5, D.L. 28.C.		
1933 Penalty	\$1.94	1933 Interest	\$1.50
1934 Penalty	1.79	Total	\$5.23
To Robert Isles, 2750 Gilley Avenue.	Lot 16, Blk. 8, D.L. 93.		
1934 Penalty	\$2.87		

Ordered: "That the recommendation of the Treasurer be and is hereby adopted."

The Works Superintendent, submitted Estimates of work as follows:

Board of Works	\$215.00
Waterworks Repairs to mains.	50.00

Ordered: "That the Estimates of work as submitted be approved subject to funds being available."

3. The Superintendent submitted a recommendation that Mr. G. Stefanini be reimbursed in the sum of \$68.09 for damage and inconvenience caused him through backflooding of his premises at Lot 10, S^o A Block 47, D.L. 151/3 from the West Burnaby sewer

The Treasurer recommended that the recommendation of the Superintendent be adopted.

Ordered: "That the recommendation of the Works Superintendent be and is hereby adopted subject to release satisfactory to the Clerk being obtained from Mr. Stefanini."

4. The Building Inspector and Property Salesman submitted further report re application of R.G. Alexander to remove old building off Block 44, D.L. 94. and requested permission to withdraw their recommendation of December 19th inst.

Ordered: "That the request of the Building Inspector and Property salesman be acceded to."

5. The Treasurer submitted report advising that by error he had recommended the sale of Tax sale certificate covering Lot 16, Block 10, D.L. 32 to Mr. Samuel Davies instead of to Mrs. Margaret Wilson Davies and recommended that the order given under date of December 12th inst. be amended.

Ordered: "That the order of the Commissioner under date of December 12th inst. respecting sale of tax sale certificate covering Lot 16, Block 10, D.L. 32 be and is hereby rescinded and that tax sale certificate covering this lot be sold to Margaret Wilson Davies for the sum of \$157.20"

6. The Building Inspector submitted report advising that Ornamental Lighting Standard No. 4. had been damaged by car driven by G. Gwenap of 4265 Oxford Street and owned by Miss E. Kay of 3454 Oxford Street - The Inspector submitted estimate of cost of repairing the standard at approximately \$100.00 and requested instructions.
Ordered: "That the report be received and filed."

7. The Treasurer submitted tabulation of debentures purchased for cancellation up to September 17th last showing debentures of a face value of \$204,113.30 as being purchased for sum of \$143,557.21, plus Local Improvement debentures of a face value of \$13,500.00 purchased for sum of \$8,065.00

Ordered: "That the report of the Treasurer be received and filed and that a Committee consisting of the Commissioner, Clerk, Treasurer and Auditor be appointed to attend to the destruction of these bonds by burning."

The Requisitions up to December 28th, 1934 were then examined.
Ordered: "That the Requisitions as submitted be approved."

Ordered: "That the Commissioner will now sit as a Committee of the Whole to reconsider the Burnaby Taxes Abatement By-law 1934."

Ordered: "That the Schedule to the Burnaby Taxes Abatement By-law 1934 be amended by adding thereto the following items:

Letitia Salmon, 4242 Triumph St. \$8.50 Percentage addition and interest 1933 Taxes - Lot 12, Block 7, D.L. 187.
P.M. Penderson, 3568 Clinton St. \$2.56 Percentage addition 1934 taxes, W $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 2, SD 7/9, Blk. 1, B.L. 158, NW $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
A. Aitken, 1714 6th Street \$3.44 Percentage addition and interest 1933 taxes. \$1.79 Percentage addition 1934 taxes.
Lot 14, Block 5, D.L. 28, C.
Robert Isles, 2750 Gilley Avenue \$2.87 Percentage addition 1934 taxes.
Lot 16, Block 8, D.L. 93."

Ordered: "That the Committee do now rise and report the By-law complete as amended."

Ordered: "That the Burnaby Taxes Abatement By-law 1934 be now read a Third time."

Ordered: "That the Burnaby Taxes Abatement By-law 1934 do pass the Third reading, that it be signed by the Commissioner and the Clerk and that the Corporate seal be affixed thereto."

The Commissioner then addressed the members of the staff present as follows:

Mr. Clerk and members of the staff of the Corporation of Burnaby I wish at this time, the final meeting of council for 1934, to extend to each of you and your families the season's greetings and wish you all a Happy New Year.

In the early part of this year it was my duty to again associate myself with Burnaby and I ask of the officers and staff their full co-operation to enable us to bring back Burnaby to the position she should occupy and I express at this time my appreciation of the co-operation and splendid service rendered to Burnaby by every member of the staff.

Speaking of the Municipality in general terms I will say that an earnest effort was put forth to reorganize departments coordination in some instances the result meant economy and efficiency, a reduction in the tax rate increased the collection of taxes especially arrears.

The Work for taxes, delinquent 1933 was a measure that met a ready response and some 600 ratepayers took advantage of this plan and I congratulate those who did so for the splendid service they gave in return.

As you are familiar with the reconversion plan of re-financing I will not enlarge upon same, a ready response was made by American and British holders of bonds with a good showing from Eastern Canada as well as locally. I again repeat our proposal was made having in view our ability to pay.

The Treasurer replied on behalf of the Staff reciprocating the good wishes of all for a Happy and Prosperous New year.

The sitting then adjourned.

Confirmed.

Charles B. Brown
Clerk.

Hugh M. Fraser
Commissioner