

Monday - April 19th, 1943

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held at the Municipal Hall on Monday, April 19th at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Reeve Willson in the Chair, Councillors Wilson, Beamish, Dingle, Matheson, Gartlan, Lewis and Hatherly.

Correspondence was received and dealt with as follows:

The Honourable Inspector of Municipalities wrote giving approval to the annual estimate of expenditure of the Corporation for the year 1943 pursuant to paragraph (b) of Section 43 of the "District of Burnaby Debt Refunding Act, 1940."

Moved by Cr. Hatherly, Seconded by Cr. Beamish: "That the letter be received and filed."

Carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Council met as a Committee of the Whole on March 30th, April 5th, and April 12th to consider Estimates for the year 1943 and recommend:

1. That Estimates be approved as follows:

Vancouver & District Joint Sewerage & Drainage Board	\$52,814.94
Burnaby School Board	Ordinary Estimates 241,570.06
	For Building purposes 12,607.90
Loan Rate	120,350.00

General Rate

Municipal Government	\$ 61,850.00	
Building Department	4,200.00	
Hall & Grounds	4,800.00	
Air Raid Precautions	4,065.00	
Health & Sanitation	7,005.00	
Administration of Justice	33,655.00	
Juvenile Court	2,690.00	
Social Assistance	55,780.00	
Hospitals (Inc. V.O.N. Grant \$4000)	26,000.00	
Board of Works	104,200.00	
Parks	8,500.00	
Waterworks	132,950.00	
Vancouver Water Board Agreement	4,445.00	
Bank Interest & Exchange	1,000.00	
Street Lighting	29,000.00	
Fire Fighting Bush & #1 Area	4,500.00	
Property Repairs & Water rates		
Rented houses	8,000.00	
Sundries (Contingent reserve)	7,304.20	
	\$499,244.20	
Less Revenue receipts	308,800.00	190,444.20

Total 617,787.10

2. That rates as under be approved: on 100% Land & 50% improvements:

V & D J S & D Board rate	4.19 mills
School Board - Ordinary	19.16 mills
School Board - Building Fund	1.00 mill
Loan Rate	9.55 mills
General Rate	15.10 mills

Total 49.00 mills

3. That the position of Consulting Engineer be abolished.

4. That Mr. Gordon Waddell - Fire Chief - be reduced to District Chief in charge of No. 1 Fire Area at a salary of \$170.00 per month, plus cost of living bonus of \$5.00 per month effective as from April 1st, 1943.

5. That Mr. W. M. Banks be District Chief Fire Area No. 2 at a salary of \$170.00 per month, plus cost of living bonus of \$5.00 per month effective as from April 1st, 1943.

6. That rate of pay for First class firemen be increased by \$10.00 per month effective January 1st, 1943, plus cost of living bonus of \$5.00 per month effective as from April 1st, 1943.

7. That rate of pay for Fire Captains be increased by \$10.00 per month effective January 1st, 1943 plus cost of living bonus of \$5.00 per month, effective April 1st, 1943.

8. That Firemen be granted a "Closed Shop".

9. That the car presently used by the Fire Chief be transferred from the Fire Department to the Corporation for the use of the Building Department, such change to be effective as from April 12th, 1943.

10. That the services of A. Gall, as Superintendent be dispensed with as from April 30th, 1943 and that he be paid one month's salary in lieu of notice.

11. That S. M. Porter be placed in charge of the Engineering Department at a salary of \$150.00 per month, plus \$5.00 cost of living bonus.

12. That the salary of Charles B. Brown, Clerk, be increased to \$225.00 per month.

- ✓ 13. That the salary of Richard Bolton, Treasurer & Collector, be reduced to \$250.00 per month effective as from April 1st, 1943.
14. That a Personnel Committee be set up consisting of His Worship the Reeve, three Councillors and three members of the Civic Employees Union.
- ✓ 15. That all employees on hourly or daily rates of pay be paid for all Statutory holidays after completing 12 months service.
- ✓ 16. That all employees on hourly or daily rates of pay be granted two weeks holidays with pay after completing 12 months service.
- ✓ 17. That all employees on hourly or daily rates of pay be granted 10 days sick leave after 6 months service.
- ✓ 18. That overtime be paid for all work after regular hours, at overtime rate, as now in effect.
- ✓ 19. That seniority be granted priority in promotions, transfers, or layoffs, all things being equal.
- ✓ 20. That in event of male employees being granted leave of absence to join the Armed forces, female employees to receive the same rate of pay who take that position.
21. That the Burnaby Municipality have a Closed Shop.
22. That Salaries be approved as follows:
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| A. J. Keel - Accountant & Asst. Treasurer | \$195.00 | |
| F. J. Copland - Chief Clerk & Asst. Collector | 190.00 | |
| H. S. Jeboult - Cashier | 180.00 | |
| R. G. Currie - Tax Clerk | 180.00 | |
| D. Maxwell - Trades License Inspector | 160.00 | |
| Miss C. Cormack - Head Stenographer | 105.00 | |
| Stenographers - General Office | 70.00 | |
| P. B. X. Operator | 70.00 | |
| Tax Clerks - Temporary | 4.50 | p/day |
| Tax Clerk - Temporary - Mrs. Hamilton | 4.50 | p/day |
| G. Peters - Water Rates Clerk | 135.00 | |
| Mr. Dickson - Mail Clerk | 50.00 | |
| Clerks - General | 130.00 | |
| Janitor - A. T. Wright | 105.00 | |
| W. P. Philips - Assessor | 210.00 | |
| N. Rogers - Assessor's Clerk | 100.00 | |
| G. A. Culbert - Property Salesman | 140.00 | |
| Miss D. Smith - Clerk's Stenographer | 75.00 | |
| R. D. Etches - Clerk Engineer's Dept. | 150.00 | |
| Junior Clerk - Engineer's Dept. - 1st year | 45.00 | |
| Draughtsman & Instrument Man | 120.00 | |
| A. Donald - Storekeeper | 115.00 | |
| Temporary Clerk - north B/Works Office | 4.40 | p/day |
| A. C. Bell - Building Inspector | 200.00 | |
| W. Bradley - Assistant - Building Dept. | 125.00 | |
| Medical Officer of Health | 300.00 | |
| M. H. O. Clerk | 145.00 | |
| E. L. Rimmer - Relief Officer | 180.00 | |
| Clerk & Investigator - C. Hall | 140.00 | |
| Clerk - North Office - C. Martin | 140.00 | |
| Clerk - Social Assistant Office | 140.00 | |
| T. Corbett - Probation Officer | 160.00 | |
| Stenographer - Juvenile Court | 15.00 | |
| Miss L. Stone - Stenographer A.R.P. | 90.00 | |
| public Hall - Janitor | 4.00 | p/day |

23. That rates of pay - outside staff be approved as follows:
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| Foremen and Waterworks Inspectors | 145.00 |
| ✓ Labourers, Truck Drivers and Machine operators - an increase of .24 per day | |
| T. W. Robertson - Caretaker Phillips Hall | 40.00 plus house, light, etc. |
24. That salaries and rates of wages for all employees not included in clauses 22 and 23 be referred to the Personnel Committee.
25. That re-classified rates of pay be payable as from January 1st, 1943, contingent upon the cost of living bonus of \$5.00 per month being paid to all employees in receipt of less than \$2,100.00 per annum, as from April 1st, 1943.
26. That Estimates - Special Rates be approved as follows:
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| Fire Area No. 1 | \$13,176.17 | 5.50 mills |
| Fire Area No. 2 | 18,082.09 | 2.20 mills |
| Ornamental Lighting No. 1 | 849.20 | .22 per ft. |
| Ornamental Lighting No. 2 | 261.36 | .22 per ft. |
| Capitol Hill replotting | | |
| Fixed charges | 1,206.81 | 7.40 mills |

Moved by Cr. Gartlan, Seconded by Cr. Beamish: "That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be adopted as written."

Carried - Cr. Lewis against Items No. 10 and 11
 Crs. Wilson, Matheson & Lewis against item 3 of No. 22.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- ✓ The Council met with the Burnaby School Board on Friday, April 9th, 1943 and recommended:
1. That the principle of the Metropolitan Board of Health be approved.
 2. That the present agreement respecting the Metropolitan Health Committee be terminated, and that six months notice of such termination be given to the proper authority effective as from May 1st, 1943.
 3. That this Council go on record as being willing to enter into a new agreement provided (1) Service to be provided; (2) Cost of such service and (3) Representation is satisfactory.

4. Services - That the personnel to be provided by this Corporation be One Unit Director (qualified D. P. H.) Dentist; Unit Clerk; Qualified Sanitary Inspector; Four Public Health nurses - The Unit Director to include School Medical Service.
5. That all Unit services to be under the sole direction of the Unit Director.
6. That each Unit affiliated with the Board shall be represented by a member of the Municipal Council or Councils and by a member of the School Board or Boards where same exist; No city or municipal area shall have more than six representatives; The Provincial Department of Health to appoint one representative for the University Area and one representative for D.L. 172 respectively.
7. That the Unit Directors shall form a Medical Advisory Committee and elect one of their number to be Chairman who shall be a member of the Board with a voice by no vote.

Moved by Cr. Lewis, Seconded by Cr. Wilson: "That the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole be adopted, as written."

Carried unanimously.

Reeve Willson submitted report as follows:

"Under powers conferred by Section 29 of the "Municipal Act", I hereby refer back for reconsideration, the following resolution, passed by the Council at a meeting held on April 12th inst.

"That Property Sales Slip No. 2751 be not approved, and that offer of Mr. Barker to purchase this property be accepted."

My reasons for requesting reconsideration are as follows:

1. The Sale of this property to Mr. Barker, who is a step-son of the last former owner does not come within the policy of the Corporation as followed by the late administration, in that this policy was intended to cover cases where property owners lost their homes through inability to pay taxes during the depression years and then became able to re-purchase. Nothing in this policy would suggest that sales on the basis of equity should be made to sons or daughters after the decease of the former owner, unless such son or daughter was actually using the premises as his or her home.
2. Section 177 of the Municipal Act prohibits a Municipal Council from granting to any person any "privilege", and I respectfully contend that in selling this property to Mr. Barker for such a sum as \$650.00 in the face of another offer of \$1400.00 this Council would be granting him a privilege.
3. Even if it considered that Mr. Barker is entitled to special consideration I would point out that the true equity of this Corporation in this property is in excess of the sum tendered by Mr. Barker.

The upset price and accrued taxes at time of acquisitions	\$342.05
Rent of \$18.00 per month from October 1st, 1940 to March, 1943	\$540.00
Less amount paid	100.00
	440.00
	Total \$782.05

The acceptance of any sum less than this amount is in my opinion extending a privilege to Mr. Barker which is outside of the powers of the Corporation.

4. As Elected representatives this Council holds a trust for the people of Burnaby and in conducting the affairs of the Corporation great care should be exercised to ensure that the assets of the Corporation are not dissipated. What valid reason could be given to a Court if a ratepayer took action against this Council to show cause why a sur-charge should not be ordered against the individual members of the Council for disposing of an asset worth at least \$1400.00 for the sum of \$650.00
5. Section 480 of the Municipal Act provides that the Inspector of Municipalities may with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on complaint of any ratepayer, institute an enquiry respecting any action of the Corporation and the costs and expenses of such enquiry shall be paid by the Municipality. Any ratepayer could take advantage of this provision and I feel that it would be very poor business for this Council to do any act which might be the subject of such action.

Moved by Cr. Lewis, Seconded by Cr. Hatherly: "That the original motion be reaffirmed as passed." *lost* — Crs. Lewis & Hatherly in favor.

Moved by Cr. Beamish, Seconded by Cr. Dingle: "That all previous offers on Lot 31, save & except N. 33', Block 7, D.L. 151/3 be rejected." Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Beamish, Seconded by Cr. Dingle: "That the property be again advertised for sale." Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Beamish, Seconded by Cr. Gartlan: "That the Solicitor be asked for opinion on Section 177 as applied to Section 179 to the next Council meeting." Carried unanimously.

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Matheson: "That the Solicitor be asked to attend all Council meetings."

Carried unanimously.

✓ Dr. R. H. Fraser, Unit Director for Burnaby Health Unit tendered his resignation to be effective as from May 16th, 1943.

1. Moved by Cr. Lewis, Seconded by Cr. Matheson: "That the resignation of Dr. Fraser be not accepted but that he be granted Leave of Absence for duration of the war."
Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Lewis: "That next meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday, April 27th at 7:30 p.m."

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Lewis: "That the Municipal Hall be closed Friday, Saturday, and Monday for the Easter week-end."

Carried unanimously.

The meeting then adjourned.

Confirmed:

Charles R. Brown

CLERK.

W. O. Willson

CHAIRMAN