

Monday, May 30, 1955

A regular meeting of the Municipal Council was held in the Council Chambers, 1930 Kingsway, on Monday, May 30, 1955 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Reeve MacSorley in Chair; Crs. W.P.Philps, Charlton, Hughes F.Philps, Drummond, and Morrison.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted as written and confirmed."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. W.P.Philps, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That a Letter of Condolence be forwarded to Mrs. G.N. Stowe and family on the passing of Mr. Stowe."

Carried Unanimously.

W.J.Turner, Burnaby Constituency Committee L.P.P. wrote requesting an interview with relation to the distribution of natural gas in Burnaby. Mr. Turner appeared.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That Mr. Turner be heard."

Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Turner spoke relative to recent action taken by a group in the Fraser Valley to bring distribution of natural gas under public ownership, and suggested that this Corporation strengthen the movement for public ownership. Mr. Turner also submitted that hearings before the Public Utility Commission on the application of the B.C.Electric Company for a Certificate of Public convenience and Necessity were being postponed to June 28th and that certain favourable changes in the conduct of the Hearing were to be made. Mr. Turner requested that the Council adopt the following proposals:

- (1) That the Public Utility Commission be requested to hear all organizations including the Parent-Teacher organizations, ratepayer organizations, etc. in addition to Municipal Councils and that the presentation of Briefs from such organizations be allowed.
- (2) With regard to the pipeline terminus it was proposed that if such terminus was to be established at Huntington, the Provincial Government be approached to construct the remainder of the line into Vancouver, or alternatively ~~xxxxx~~ handle the distribution system if the terminus were proposed within the Vancouver area.
- (3)

Cr. Hughes rose and stated that the speaker be corrected on his impression that the Council had made a decision to present a Brief to the forthcoming public hearing before the Public Utilities Commission, pointing out that at the present time the matter was in the hands of a Special Committee and that no decision had as yet been made to present such Brief.

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the Speaker be thanked and that the representations made be referred to the Special Committee for consideration."

Carried Unanimously.

Dr. R.E.Purdy of the B.C.Electric Company attended and addressed the Council on the following points of interest in relation to the distribution of natural gas in the Fraser Valley and Metropolitan area:

- (1) The natural gas market in both domestic and industrial fields would be ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ highly competitive as a fuel taking into consideration the present suppliers of other fuel such as oil, coal and wood, and Municipal ~~xxxxx~~ would meet considerable difficulty in meeting this competition if ~~xxxxx~~ without vigorous sales promotion.
- (2) The initial capital outlay of \$9,000,000.00 was required to be made by the Company to cover a trunk main system and in addition the sum of \$750,000. needed to be expended for a distribution system which the Company plan to install in the Hornepayne area. In all a capital outlay of \$9,750,000.00 for natural gas facilities would be required to be available within the first three years.
- (3) The Company expected the distribution of natural gas to be a losing proposition for the first three or four years, and it was expected other branches of the Company's operation, such as electric service would compensate for such losses.
- (4) It was feared that Municipal finance chiefly would suffer with heavy borrowing being necessary to extend the undertaking.
- (5) It would be impossible for individual Municipalities to operate their own natural gas distribution in that service would be poorer than the present service and large unnecessary expenditures would be required by the individual Councils to set up the distribution system.
- (6) Operation of the system was specialized and technical personnel were required to maintain both the system and meters.

- (7) The Westcoast Transmission Line Company requires a guaranteed market and the assurance that the distribution system for the Lower Mainland area can be handled and financed in a proper manner, and it was submitted that the pipeline Company was relying on the B.C. Electric to fulfill these requirements.
- (8) B.C. Electric have worked since the year 1947 to bring natural gas distribution to the Lower Mainland having participated in hearings for the Province of Alberta which influenced the delivery of natural gas to the northern portions of Alberta.

Mr. Purdy requested that the Council give positive support to the Company's application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity at the Public Hearing of the Public Utilities Commission.

Moved by Cr. W.P. Philips, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That the speaker be thanked and that action on the request of the Company be deferred pending report of the Council's special Committee."

Carried Unanimously.

S. Biddlecombe submitted an application for permission to erect a house on Lot 9, Ex. sk. 6852 and 6854, Block 2, D.L. 173 situated in a Heavy Industrial zone.

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the application be not entertained."

Carried Unanimously.

E.J. Bright Limited submitted an application for approval of Lot "A" Block 38, D.L. 34, Map 6063 as an apartment site, requesting information on progress of the proposed multiple family zoning and had resulted in a deferment of this application during the month of April.

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the letter be received and referred to a Committee of the Whole."

Carried Unanimously.

Burquitlam Ratepayers' Association wrote regarding the condition of Bell Park pointing out that their spring activities which would normally be carried out in this park were required to be undertaken on other properties due to the unfinished condition of the Park area. The Association extended an invitation to the Chairman of the Parks Committee to attend a meeting at Bell Park on Thursday, June 2nd, at 8 p.m.

Moved by Cr. W.P. Philips, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the letter be received and referred to the Chairman of the Parks Committee."

Carried Unanimously.

The Public Utilities Commission submitted notification that the hearings on the B.C. Electric application for natural gas distribution was being postponed to June 28th, due to the illness of the chairman.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the letter be received."

Carried Unanimously.

Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs submitted a report made in connection with the auditing of the Accounts of the Board of Debt Refunding Trustees for the year ending December 31st, 1954.

Moved by Cr. W.P. Philips, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the report be received."

Carried Unanimously.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Your Committee met on Tuesday, May 24, 1955 and recommended that staff appointments be approved as follows:

Clerk-Stenographer II - Welfare Dept. - It was recommended that Mrs. Doris Lewendon be appointed to the position.

Clerk-Stenographer I - Health Dept. - It was recommended that Miss Billie Born, a graduate of South Burnaby High School be appointed to the position.

Clerk-Stenographer I - Licence Dept. - It was recommended that Miss Deidre Higham a graduate of South Burnaby High School, be appointed to the position.

Clerk-Stenographer I - Property Dept. - It was recommended that Miss Wanda Slater a graduate of South Burnaby High School, be appointed to the position.

Clerk III - Engineering Department - It was recommended that Mr. Fred Ellis be appointed to the position.

Clerk II - Engineering Department. It was recommended that Mr. Laurie Cruikshank be appointed to the position.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (continued...)

Watchman - Engineering Department - It was recommended that Mr. Brayford and Mr. Glanville be accepted for these positions.

Playground Attendants - Confederation Park. It was recommended that the following appoints be made:

Miss V. Whitmore, 4344 Norland St. Burnaby 2, B.C.

Miss V. Brash, 3791 E. Pender St., Burnaby 2, B.C.

Miss M. Morrison, 3060 E. 19th Ave., Vancouver, B.C.

Lifeguards - Deer Lake. It was recommended that the following appointments be made:

Wm. A. Lawson, 301 5th Ave., N.W.

Harry Kenn, 302 Princess St., N.W.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. F. Philips "That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

The Chief Executive Officer submitted a recommendation that the Municipal Treasurer, Deputy Clerk and himself, be authorized to attend the Municipal Officers Association convention to be held in Victoria, June 14th and 15th, and that the Municipal Solicitor be authorized to attend the Annual meeting of the Law Society of B.C. to be held in Victoria on June 23rd and 24th.

Moved by Cr. W.P. Philips, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That the recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

His Worship, Reeve MacSorley, submitted a report advising that pursuant to the Public Libraries Act, appointments to the Municipal Public Library Board were made on the basis of one half the members being appointed for a two year term and one half for a one year term. Further that in every case, the term of office run from the 1st day of February in the year of appointment. The appointment of the Reeve was made for the remainder of the year of appointment. In view of these provisions, the Reeve recommended that Mrs. Mayon Winch and Mrs. W.J. Mulligan be appointed for a term ending January 31st, 1957 and the appointment of Mr. R.C. Grant and Mr. Robert World be for the term ending January 31, 1956.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. F. Philips "That the recommendation of the Reeve be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

A Committee of His Worship, the Reeve and the Chief Executive Officer submitted a report on the application of V.J. Watson to have the Corporation purchase Lot 4, Block 15, J.L.35 and a portion of which is required for widening of Boundary Road, at a price of \$1,250.00.

The Committee recommended that Mr. Watson be offered the sum of \$577.32 being the price paid by Mr. Watson to the Corporation for the property, plus interest. The Committee also reported that outstanding taxes for the years 1953 and 1954 would be written off in the event of the property being purchased by the Corporation for the suggested figure.

Moved by Cr. Drummond, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the proposed Boundary Road widening By-law be brought down forthwith."

Carried Unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Parks and Planning Committee.

Your Committee met on Tuesday, May 24th, 1955 and recommend:

- (1) That All Corporation owned land lying between Prenter Park and Marine Drive be reserved from sale pending investigation of the area by the Parks Advisory Committee for Park purposes.

BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE

Your Committee met on Tuesday, May 24th, 1955 and recommend:

- (1) That Permission be granted to Mr. A. Brownjohn to operate a dump for the disposal of stumps and other refuse from land clearing and building operations in a ravine at Broadway east of Phillips Avenue as well as part of J.L.137, subject to the terms and conditions as outlined in the report of the Engineer under date of May 24th.
- (2) That Estimates of Work for the two week period, May 30th to June 12th, 1955 be approved as follows:

Board of Works-General	\$76,610.00
Water Works -General	12,975.00
Parks - General	2,400.00
Health & Sanitation	
General	5,200.00

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the recommendations of the Parks and Planning Committee be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the recommendations of the Board of Works Committee be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

Finance Committee

Your Committee met on Tuesday, May 24th, 1955 and recommend:

- (1) That Mr. E.L. Coughlin, Social Welfare Administrator, be authorized to attend a Civil Defence Course at Arnprior, during the period, June 6th to 10th, 1955.

Moved by Cr. W.P. Philips, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That the recommendations of the Committee be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

Report of Staff Land Sale Committee.

Your Committee met on Friday, May 27th and dealt with the following applications and would recommend as follows:

- (1) Application of Canada Safeway Company to purchase Lot 5, Lot "C" and Lots 6 to 9, Block 30 and Lots 13 to 27 and 3 to 6, Block 21 all in D.L. 53. This property is situated on 15th Avenue east of 20th Street. Assessed value \$5615.00; Services required - opening up of 19th St. from Stride Ave. to 14th Avenue at estimated cost of \$2500.00.

Your Committee recommend that this property be sold at a price of \$10,500.00 plus services of \$4,000.00 and that the purchaser be permitted to effect a cancellation of the property into one parcel including the road allowance of 15th Avenue and the lane allowance between 15th Avenue and 14th Avenue from the west boundary of Lot 5, Block 30 to 19th St. and further that the purchaser be advised that control of waste disposal must be adequate to meet requirements of Burnaby Sanitary by-law and that they must be prepared to install whatever treatment plan that may be required.

- (2) Application of Alvin Gerald Lawrence to purchase Lot 16 W. 45.5 feet of Blocks 37 to 40, J.L. 132, situated on the east side of Kensington Ave. 142' south of Aurey St. Assessed value \$145.00.

Your Committee recommend this property be sold to Mr. Lawrence at a price of \$750.00 subject to its consolidation with the remaining portion of Lot 16 which is already owned by Mr. Lawrence.

- (3) Application of Steve Yakimer to purchase Lots "C" "D" and "E" S. J. 19 and 20, Blk. 2, J.L. 452 situated on the south side of Schou Street 124' east of Royal Oak Ave. Assessed value \$645.00.

This property consists of three 66 x 105' lots in a Residential zone and services in the amount of \$2900.00 are required.

- (4) Your Committee recommend that the sale of this property at this time be not entertained as the development of land immediately to the east would be jeopardized by the sale of these three lots individually.

Your Committee met on Monday, May 30, 1955 and dealt with the following applications:

1. Application of Spear and Jackson Co. Ltd. to purchase Lots 4 to 7 of Block 1, and Lots 1, 2, 7 and 8 of Blk. 2, J.L. 160E. Assessed value \$9300.00. This property is situated on the south side of Fumble St. east and west of Mission Avenue.

Your Committee are not prepared to recommend the sale of the whole of this property but do recommend that the east 1/2 of Lot 5, the east half of Lot 6, in Blk. 1; Lots 1 and 2 of Blk. 2 and Lots 7 and 8 SAVE AND EXCEPT the East 50 feet in Blk. 2 which area contains 4.25 acres be sold at a price of \$11,000.00 plus services of \$7,200.00 and that this Corporation agree not to oppose an application under the Plans Cancellation Act for the cancellation of Mission Avenue between Fumble Street and Hart Street.

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That Item No. 3 of the meeting of May 27th, 1955 be referred back to the Committee and the balance of the report be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

The Treasurer submitted disbursements for the period ended May 20, 1955 in the total amount of \$321,397.67.

Moved by Cr. W.P. Philips, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That disbursements be approved."

Carried Unanimously.

The Medical Health Officer submitted a lengthy report giving statistics and detailed information on studies and tests made in Canada and in other countries on the artificial fluoridation of the water supply. In concluding his report the Medical Health Officer advised the Council to advocate the fluoridation of the Metropolitan Water Supply.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That this Council go on record as favouring the fluoridation of the water supply in the Metropolitan area subject to the cost in connection with the project, being reasonable.

Defeated: Cr. Drummond, W.P. Philips, Morrison, P. Philips - against.

Cr. Hughes, Cr. Charlton - in favour.

Moved by Cr. Drummond, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the Council go on record as favouring a Plebiscite of the people of the Greater Vancouver area on the question of Water Fluoridation."

Carried,

Cr. Hughes, Cr. Charlton again

Communication was received from the Metropolitan Health Committee advising of a motion passed at the last regular meeting of that Committee recommending that Municipal Councils represented on the Committee consider ways and means of having their water fluoridated.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That the letter be received."

Carried Unanimously.

The Licence Inspector submitted a report on the claim of Mrs. G.D. Lissener for \$6.00 covering loss of six chickens killed by a stray dog on May 11th, recommending that the claim be settled in full.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That the recommendations of the Licence Inspector be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

The Property Manager submitted Property Sales Slips No's 8653 to 8658 incl. as follows:

Sales No.	Purchaser	Property	Sales Price
8653	Hopkins, Javid Richard	Lot 3, S.J.2, Blk.2, J.L.39E $\frac{1}{2}$	\$1250.00
8654	Ternan, Wm. Elliott	Lot 1 of S $\frac{1}{2}$ Blk.1, J.L.38	10,160.00
8655	Clary, Alfred Hope Kalyk, Nicholas	Lots 31-34 incl. Blk.11 Blk.2, J.L.35	3,338.00
8656	B.B. Johnson & Sons Ltd.	Lots 16 and 33-35 Blk.9 pt. J.L.35	3,300.00
86547	McRae, John McRae, Wallace	Lots 5-17 incl Blk.2, and Lots 4-16 incl. Blk.10 L91	14,955.00
8658	Gamma Finance Co. Ltd.	Ptn. Blk.72, J.L.132 Lots 5-10 incl Blk.67/69 J.L.132 Lots 9-15 Blk.37/40 J.L.132 Lots L & 4, Blks. 70/72, J.L. 132	9100.00

Moved By Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That Property Sales as submitted be approved."

Carried Unanimously.

The Municipal Engineer submitted a report on a Petition signed by residents of the 1600 and 1700 Blocks 10 and 11th Avenues, requesting information on future plans for sewers to serve these blocks, advising that this area was part of the Southern Slope Drainage Area and that at present the Southern Slope trunk for the area was only in the planning stage.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. F. Philips "That the report be received and the Petitioners be so notified."

Carried Unanimously.

The Engineer submitted a cost report on Local Improvement paving of Sunset St. from Boundary Road to Smith Avenue

(2) Carson St. from Strathearn Ave. to 55' east of Gray Avenue.

(3) McKee St. from Strathearn Ave. west 674' 889.

(4) Ewart St. from McPherson Ave. east to ravine.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That the reports be received and the necessary Local Improvement Construction By-law be brought down."

Carried Unanimously.

The Engineer submitted a recommendation that Mr. G.L. Eyford be authorized to attend a forthcoming conference on Canadian Technical Asphalt Association to be held in Victoria, October 25th and 26th.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Charlton "That permission be granted as requested."

Carried Unanimously.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the application of C. Warner for apartment site approval of Lot 3, Blk.4, J.L.162 submitted a recommendation that the application be granted.

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the application be tabled to the next meeting of the Council on Monday, June 8th."

Carried Unanimously.

The Chief Executive Officer submitted a report advising that a Notice had been published in all newspapers circulating in the Municipality requesting the opinion of the ratepayers on the proposal to erect a second unit of the Municipal Hall simultaneously with the first unit and that a period of ten days had been allowed to permit such opinions to be received, and further that six letters were received all of which favoured the proposal to construct the second unit at the same time as the first, and that no objections to the proposal had been received.

Moved by Cr. F. Philips, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the report be received."

Carried Unanimously.

The Special Committee of the Engineer and Property Manager submitted a report on the application of Imperial Oil Company to construct a refined products line over certain lands owned by the Municipality, advising the installation of the pipeline should be identical to those imposed on all previous installations of the Company and as described in the draft agreement submitted by the Company. The Company suggested that the ~~specification~~ stipulation should be added that the line should be clearly marked at regular intervals and that such markers be maintained by the Company. The Committee recommended that the Company be charged \$475.00 for the granting of the Easement.

Moved by Cr. Hughes, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted."

Carried Unanimously.

The Municipal Clerk submitted Certificates of Sufficiency on the following Local Improvement Petitions:

- (a) Bryant St. from Waltham Ave. to Gilley Ave.
- (b) Cassie Ave. from B.C.E.R. tracks to Kingsway.
- (c) Frederick Avenue from Victory St. to Bumble St.
- (d) Fir St. from Smith Ave. to Boundary Road.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the certificates be received and referred to the Engineer for report pursuant to the Local Improvement Act."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That "Burnaby Land Sale By-law No. 9, 1955" be now introduced and that the Council sit as a Committee of the whole to consider the by-law."

Carried Unanimously.

The Reeve asked the question: "What is your pleasure with this By-law?"

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the by-law be read by short title only."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That the Committee rise and report the by-law complete without amendment."

Carried Unanimously.

The Council re-convened.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That "Burnaby Land Sale By-law No. 9, 1955" be now passed."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That "Burnaby Easement Authorization By-law No. 5, 1955" be now introduced and that the Council sit as a Committee of the whole with the Reeve in the Chair to consider the by-law."

Carried Unanimously.

The Reeve asked the question: "What is your pleasure with this by-law?"

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That the by-law be passed by short title."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That the Committee rise and report the by-law complete without amendment."

Carried Unanimously.

The Council re-convened.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That "Burnaby easement authorization By-law No. 5, 1955" be now passed."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That "Burnaby Highway Exchange By-law No. 1, 1955" be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That "Burnaby Highway Exchange By-law No. 1, 1955" be now finally adopted, and that the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law and affix the corporate seal thereto."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That "Burnaby Land Acquisition By-law No. 2, 1955" be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That "Burnaby Land Acquisition By-law No. 2, 1955" be now finally adopted, and that the Councilist Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law and affix the Corporate seal thereto."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That "North American Peat Lease Authorization By-law 1955" be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Morrison, seconded by Cr. W.P. Philips "That "North American Peat Lease Authorization By-law 1955" be now finally adopted, and that the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law and affix the Corporate seal thereto."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Hughes "That Imperial Oil Easement Authorization By-law 1955 be now introduced and that the Council sit as a Committee of the Whole with the Reeve in the Chair to consider the by-law."

Carried Unanimously.

The Reeve asked the question: "What is your pleasure with this by-law?"

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Morrison "That the by-law be read by short title only."

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That the Committee rise and report the by-law complete without amendment."

Carried Unanimously.

The Council reconvened.

Moved by Cr. Charlton, seconded by Cr. Drummond "That "Imperial Oil Easement By-law 1955" be now passed."

Carried Unanimously.

The Council then adjourned until Monday, June 6th, 1955.

Confirmed:

Charles B. Bunn
Clerk.

Chas. MacIsaac
Reeve.