

JANUARY 6, 1969

The 1969 Inaugural Meeting of the Municipal Council was held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby 2, B.C. on Monday, January 6, 1969 at 8:00 p.m.

PRESENT Aldermen Blair, Mercier, McLean
Mayor Elect-R.W. Prittie
Aldermen Elect-Clark,
Drummond, Herd and Ladner

ABSENT Alderman Dailly

Reverend Frank H. Ward opened the meeting with a Prayer.

Judge G. D. Ladner officiated at the Swearing-In Ceremony of the Mayor-Elect and the Aldermen-Elect.

He also expressed his profound appreciation for the honour bestowed upon him in being invited to perform the rites.

The following took the Oath of Office and were duly sworn in by Judge Ladner:

Mayor-Elect
Robert W. Prittie

Aldermen-Elect
Warren R. Clark
John Douglas Drummond
David M. Herd
Hugh G. Ladner

His Worship, Mayor Prittie then delivered his Inaugural Address.

The following is the substance of his Address:

- (a) An expression of thanks was conveyed to Reverend Ward for his assistance.
- (b) Though it is customary that one of the Burnaby Magistrates administers the Oath of Office, Judge Ladner was invited this evening due to the special circumstances of his son being one of the Aldermen-Elect.
- (c) The representatives of the Federal and Provincial Governments present this evening were welcomed.
- (d) Congratulations were extended to the successful candidates for Council - Aldermen Clark, Drummond, Herd and Ladner - and to those elected to the Burnaby School Board.
- (e) The candidates who were not successful in the recent election were commended for presenting themselves for public office.
- (f) An expression of thanks was given to ex-Aldermen Corsbie and Lorimer for their services on the Council.

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- (g) Attention was drawn to the absence of Mr. Jack Shaw, the Municipal Clerk, who is recovering from a serious illness.
- (h) Mention was made of a number of persons who have served on Public Boards and positions and who have completed their terms of office. These people were thanked for their services.

His Worship then outlined the significant accomplishments which were achieved last year, as follows:

- (1) The Willingdon Overpass was constructed and opened on November 28, 1968. Some work remains to be done on the south approach after a further period is allowed for settlement but the facility is open to four lanes of traffic. The new overpass provides a very important improvement in the Municipal North and South roads.
- (2) Arrangements were finally completed, and construction started, on the improvement to North Road from Clark Road to the Freeway.

This is a joint venture of Burnaby, Coquitlam and the Department of Highways. The road design is to ultimate standard, including street lighting and sidewalks.

Construction is well advanced and should be completed early in 1969. This artery will be a boon to the motoring public and will also provide an adequate access to the new Lougheed Mall Shopping Center which was started in 1968.

- (3) While there was a noticeable reduction in sanitary sewer construction in 1968 (due largely to the extent to which the system had been constructed in previous years), certain "spine" trunks were built to permit the opening of areas for subdivision.
- (4) After many years of service, the water tank on Capitol Hill was determined to be uneconomical of repair. The Capitol Hill area of the Municipality will soon be served by a new pumping system.
- (5) On March 2nd, the Burnaby Justice Building was officially opened. It provides a much-needed improvement for the housing of the R.C.M.P. and the Magistrates Courts.
- (6) Construction was commenced on the Junior Amateur Sports Stadium in Central Park.
- (7) The Council embarked on a programme of installing a 20 foot interim pavement on all gravelled streets in Burnaby.
- (8) Grandview-Douglas Highway became Canada Way on January 1st, and the Municipality embarked on an extensive programme of street lighting and the provision of sidewalks. Lighting was also provided on several other arterial roads.
- (9) All incandescent street lights in residential areas were replaced with mercury vapour lights.

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- (10) A local improvement programme was undertaken despite the difficulty experienced in borrowing funds for such projects.
- (11) The Housing Committee worked diligently. As a result of its efforts, approval was finally obtained from the Senior Governments for the construction of a 90-unit Housing Project consisting of 80 3-bedroom and 10 4-bedroom houses.

His Worship, Mayor Prittie also drew attention to the following situations:

- (a) The provision of funds for Capital improvements continues to be a major problem. There is a very limited market for Municipal Bonds and the interest rates on them have become prohibitive. Municipalities have no control whatsoever over the fiscal and monetary policies of the senior governments but they certainly feel the effects of such policies. A critical situation now exists which could well result in a further restriction of capital improvements unless funds for them are raised through the budget instead of by debenture issue.

The Municipality decided to borrow through the Greater Vancouver Regional District. As of now, the District has done no financing and it is not known whether it will be able to borrow for its members at satisfactory interest rates.

At a time when there is no reduction in the demand for capital services, it is very much to be regretted that the financial market is not receptive to Municipalities.

Municipalities always seem to be moving from one crisis to another. This makes capital programming nothing more than an exercise. It is difficult to foresee an answer.

More people are moving to urban areas and demands for services and improvements are bound to increase. Money must be found to meet these demands, and at rates which can be afforded.

This problem should ^{command} the attention of all Legislators.

- (b) The highlights during the past 11 years should be reviewed.

In that regard, Mr. Alan H. Emmott (who served during that time as Mayor), deserves great credit for the many achievements, a great many of which were the result of his own initiative. One must recognize the leadership he provided in the formulation of a policy which provided sanitary sewers in the municipality. He initiated and was in great measure responsible for instituting the policy at some political risks to himself but he was willing to assume these risks in the knowledge that the future development of Burnaby depended upon a rapid expansion of sanitary sewer facilities. The residential, commercial and industrial development in the Municipality in recent years is a direct result of this sewerage programme.

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Mr. Emmott can also look with satisfaction at other signs of progress during his terms of office. Road paving, street lighting, libraries, park developments - all these are evidence of the achievements during the past 11 years.

Mr. Emmott's activities have not been confined to Burnaby alone. Over the years he has been an active member of the Union of B.C. Municipalities and has served as the president of that organization.

He has been successful in persuading the Provincial Government to pass several laws affecting Municipal Government. Mr. Emmott was one of the first to recognize that hospital expansion could not be carried out effectively on a purely local basis. He was one of those who persuaded the Provincial Government to establish Regional Hospital Districts and a hospital financing authority.

He has served as a member of the executive of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities and will continue to serve on a Committee of that organization which is studying urban transportation.

Mr. Emmott has joined the faculty of Simon Fraser University where he will be teaching courses on Municipal and Regional Government. He is certainly very well qualified for this task.

Mr. Emmott

At this juncture, Mayor Prittie presented with a gavel, and Mrs. Emmott with inscribed silver spoons, as tokens of appreciation for the services which they have provided to the Municipality during the past 11 years.

Mr. Emmott expressed his appreciation for having been given the opportunity to serve the Municipality that length of time.

- (c) During 1969, the Council will be asked to consider the advisability of issuing an information bulletin to the citizens of the Municipality. Such a bulletin, perhaps similar to the one issued by the Burnaby School Board, would be released two or three times a year and would contain information for citizens, not political propaganda.
- (d) Council will be asked to review its procedures. This is not to suggest that there are any noticeable weaknesses in the present procedures but is only to re-examine the present methods of operation which have been in effect for many years.
- (e) Increasing population in Burnaby has resulted in a very great expansion of recreational and cultural activities, with the consequence the Parks and Recreation Commission has become one of the most active Municipal agencies.

The Council will be asked to consider the advisability of appointing two additional members to the Commission.

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- (f) During the past two decades, the Corporation has sold large amounts of Municipally owned property for housing, industrial and commercial development. The sale of these lands has brought the Corporation considerable revenues.

Council will be asked to review its policy concerning the disposal of Municipal land to determine if it would be in the long-term public interest to lease such lands rather than sell them.

- (g) One year ago, Mr. Emmott suggested that serious comprehensive study be given the question of a union of Burnaby and Vancouver. Senior staff members of the two Municipalities have completed a preliminary study of amalgamation. Copies of this report have been distributed to interested Burnaby organizations with a request that they submit their views to Council by January 31, 1969. Following receipt of these submissions, the Council will be asked to examine the amalgamation issue.

It was being recommended that the Council Committee on amalgamation, consisting of Aldermen Blair and Mercier plus the Mayor, be reconstituted.

- (h) The task of accommodating the many persons in the Lower Mainland, and providing for their needs, is critical. The quality of everyday living will depend upon the amount of planning undertaken to handle the problems of urban growth. It will also depend upon the kind of regional government which will be necessary to implement plans.

Total amalgamation of all Lower Mainland Municipalities would be one way to provide an effective authority to handle the problems of growth. However, total amalgamation (even if desirable) can be rejected as politically unrealistic.

The present situation is unsatisfactory. A number of independent, uncoordinated boards have been created to deal with specific inter-municipal problems. Some of the problems - traffic flow is the most evident - are not handled on a regional basis at all.

Regional districts have been created for the purpose of dealing with inter-municipal problems. The legislation, however, creating Regional Districts is weak in that each Municipality is free to assign, or not, to the Regional District authority over certain functions. For example, the Greater Vancouver Regional District has to date only been assigned the power over Hospital planning in the District.

The Greater Vancouver Regional District Board can become the agency to cope with inter-municipal problems if the necessary powers are delegated to it. If this is not done voluntarily by the Municipalities in the near future, the Provincial Government should take whatever steps are necessary to establish effective Regional Government.

Proper development of the Metropolitan Region is extremely important.

His Worship Mayor Prittie then recommended that the following Standing Committees be established:

<u>Grants & Publicity</u>	To consider applications for grants and donations, and to consider ways and means of publicizing the Municipality and its activities	Chairman-Mayor Prittie Members-Aldermen Herd & Clark.
<u>Housing</u>	To consider all National Housing Act provisions for housing and to examine the landlord-tenant relationship in all its aspects.	Chairman-Alderman Dailly Members-Aldermen Blair and Ladner
<u>Policy-Planning and Public Utilities</u>	To examine and report on various policy and planning matters, and to deal with matters pertaining to Power, Transportation and Communication,	Chairman-Mayor Prittie Members- Entire Council
<u>Traffic Safety</u>	To consider and report on matters concerning traffic control and safety.	Chairman - Alderman Clark Members - Aldermen Ladner and McLean

He also recommended that the following serve as Council liaison and resource members for those aspects of municipal administration indicated:

- Administration of Justice - Alderman Herd
- Building Department - Alderman Dailly
- Finance Department - Alderman Mercier
- Fire Department - Alderman Clark
- Health Department - Alderman McLean
- Planning Department - Alderman Ladner
- Public Works - Alderman Blair
- Social Service - Alderman Drummond

His Worship also recommended the following appointments and reappointments:

Advisory Planning Commission:

- Mr. D. G. Evans, 6926 Waverley Street, Burnaby 1, B.C.
- Mr. Norman D. Kelsey, 4229 Durke Street, Burnaby 1, D.C.
- Mr. C. J. Murnane, 5145 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby 1, B.C.

Burnaby Family Court Committee:

- Mr. J. A. Barrington, 4812 Drentlawn Drive, Burnaby 2, D.C.
- Dr. Ludlow Beamish, 7456 Durris Street, Burnaby 1, D.C.
- Mr. D. A. Copan, 4667 Highlawn Drive, Burnaby 2, D.C.
- Mr. J. E. D. Holdom, 5232 E. Hastings Street, Burnaby 2, D.C.
- Mrs. C. Wells, 4056 Canada Way, Burnaby 2, D.C.

Burnaby Library Board:

Mayor R. W. Prittie - Council appointee.

- Mrs. R. G. Greaves, 3869 Dubois Street, Burnaby 1, D.C.
- Dr. A. R. McKinnon, 1601 Ellesmere Avenue, Burnaby 2, D.C.
- Mr. N. E. Nelson, 4458 Durke Street, Burnaby 1, D.C.

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Burnaby Parks and Recreation Commission:

Aldermen Drummond and Mercier - appointments as Aldermen
- Commissioners
Mr. E. E. Duckingham, 5312 Laurel Street, Burnaby 2, B.C.
Mrs. E. M. Lawson, 4636 Westlawn Drive, Burnaby 2, B.C.
Mr. A. H. Pride, 3770 Fir Street, Burnaby 1, B.C.

His Worship Mayor Prittie concluded by recommending that the first statutory meeting of the Council be held on Monday, January 13, 1969, commencing at 7 p.m. and on alternate Mondays thereafter.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN CLARK, SECONDED ALDERMAN MERCIER:
"That the Inaugural Address of His Worship Mayor Prittie be received".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN BLAIR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN:
"That the recommendations in the Inaugural Address of His Worship Mayor Prittie concerning the appointment of Committees, Liaisons, and members to various boards and commissions, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN BLAIR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN:
"That Alderman J. Dailly be appointed as acting Mayor for the months of January and February 1969.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:
"That Alderman Blair be appointed as Council Representative to the Burnaby Hospital Board for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HERD:
"That Alderman Dailly be appointed as Council Representative to St. Paul's Hospital Board for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CLARK:
"That Mayor Prittie and Alderman Herd be appointed as Council Representatives to the Greater Vancouver Water District for the term ending December 31, 1969.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN HERD, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:
"That Mayor Prittie and Alderman McLean be appointed as Council Representatives to the Administration Board of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District for the term ending December 31, 1969.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN BLAIR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LADNER:
"That Alderman Drummond be appointed as Council Representative to the New Vista Society for the term ending December 31, 1967.

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MOVED BY ALDERMAN HERD, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CLARK:
 "That Alderman McLean be appointed as Council Representative to the Lower Mainland Regional Planning Board of D.C. for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LADNER:
 "That Mayor Prittie and Alderman Mercier be appointed as Council Representatives to the Greater Vancouver Regional District (which include the Greater Vancouver Regional Hospital District) for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN:
 "That Alderman Herd be appointed as the Council Representative to the Community Rhododendron and Spring Flower Show Society for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN CLARK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
 "That Alderman Ladner be appointed as Council Representative to the Metropolitan Board of Health of Greater Vancouver, with Alderman Herd as the alternate delegate, for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LADNER:
 "That Mayor Prittie and Alderman Clark be appointed as Council Representatives to the Greater Vancouver Visitors' and Convention Bureau for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN:
 "That Mayor Prittie and Alderman Blair be appointed as Council Representatives to the Vancouver and Lower Mainland Industrial Development Commission for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN CLARK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
 "That Mayor Prittie be appointed as Council Representative to the Civil Defence Control Committee for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LADNER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CLARK:
 "That Mayor Prittie be appointed as Council Representative to the Port of Vancouver Development Committee, with Alderman Dailly as alternate delegate, for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN CLARK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
 "That Alderman Drummond be appointed as Council Representative to the United Community Services Organization for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MOVED BY ALDERMAN BLAIR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HERD:

"That the whole Council be appointed to the Local Court of Revision (Section 355) Municipal Act re Local Improvement Assessment Rolls for the term ending December 31, 1969."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LADNER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BLAIR:

"That Aldermen Drummond and McLean be appointed as Council Representatives to the Vancouver-Fraser Park District, with Aldermen Dailly and Mercier as alternate delegates, for the term ending January 31, 1970."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LADNER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"That the recommendation in the Inaugural Address of His Worship Mayor Prittie concerning the time of the first Statutory Meeting of Council be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN BLAIR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

- " (1) That DART McCAFFERTY, the Treasurer of The Corporation of the District of Burnaby (hereinafter called the "Corporation"), be and is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the Corporation to negotiate, with deposit with, or transfer to THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA (but for credit of the Corporation's account only) all or any cheques and other orders for the payment of money, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the Corporation either in writing or by rubber stamp.
- (2) That all cheques of the current account of the Corporation be drawn in the name of the Corporation and be signed on its behalf by H. M. Prittie, Mayor, or the appointed Acting Mayor, and countersigned by Dart McCafferty, Treasurer, or H. D. Karas, Deputy Treasurer or E. A. Watkinson, Assistant Municipal Accountant.
- (3) That Dart McCafferty, Treasurer, be and is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the Corporation from time to time to receive from the said Bank a statement of the account of the Corporation together with all relative vouchers and all unpaid bills lodged for collection by the Corporation and all items returned unpaid and charged to the account of the Corporation, and to sign and deliver to the said Bank the Bank's form of verification, settlement of balance and release.
- (4) That Dart McCafferty, Treasurer, be and is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the Corporation to obtain delivery from the said Bank of all or any stock, bonds and other securities held by the said Bank in safekeeping or otherwise for the account of the Corporation and to give valid and binding receipts therefor.
- (5) That this resolution be communicated to the said Bank and remain in force until written notice to the contrary shall have been given to the Manager for the time being of the branch of the said Bank at which the account of the Corporation is kept, and receipt of such notice duly acknowledged in writing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Municipal Manager presented the 1969 Provisional Budget.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HERD:
"That the provisional budget for the year 1969 be
received and referred to the next meeting of Council
for consideration."

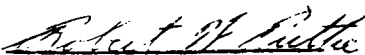
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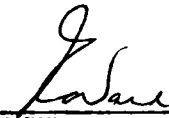
MOVED BY ALDERMAN CLARK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MCLEAN:
"That the meeting now adjourn."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Confirmed:

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MAYOR


DEPUTY CLERK

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