

November 30<sup>th</sup> 1907.

At a meeting of the Council, held in pursuance of adjournment, at the Municipal Hall, on Saturday, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 1907

Present: His Worship Reeve Byrne (in the chair) Councillors Spratt, Stride, Love, Cluff, Anderson and Rumble.

118 Minutes. The Minutes of Meeting held on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1907 were read and confirmed.

119 Road Dis Lot 118. Minute 89. The Board of Works having reported on the application of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Mc Innes and others it was

Resolved: That the Road Foreman be instructed to slash a line along the North side of the Road allowance between Dist. Lots 69 and 118, and that he have the work ready for the inspection of the Board of Works on Saturdays next.

120 Road to Lot 38. Minute 90. A letter from Mr George Pearson asking for a road to his property, was read.

Resolved: That the application, together with that of Mr Roop be referred to a Committee consisting of Couns. Rumble and the clerk.

121 Fill on North Arm Road. Minute 92. The following tenders were submitted:-

Mr J. J. Wolfe.	475 <sup>00</sup>
Wilhard Robertson	424 <sup>00</sup>
W. Whiting & Leo Davies	350 <sup>00</sup>
Birch and Brown.	350 <sup>00</sup>

Resolved: That the tender of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Birch and Brown be, and the same is hereby accepted conditionally upon their signing the contract within 10 days.

122 Murchie Road. Referring to Minute 96 the Road Foreman reported that work to the extent of \$10 had been executed, by white labour, upon repairing this road.

The clerk having reported that Mr Griffiths had seen him with reference to a permission granted

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to him in August 1905 (Minute 405 Book 5) to cut and carry away timber on road allowance, now being cut and carried away by Mr Fitzlanders, and that he (the clerk) had informed him that since he had sold his interest in the property the permission had ceased to apply, it was

Resolved: That the clerk write to Mr Fitzlanders enquiring whether he was carrying away the timber, and <sup>if so</sup> by whose authority he was acting as the timber is the property of the Corporation.

123. Recommendations to Union of Municipalities.

Referring to Minutes 15, 33, 75 and 97 it was

Resolved: That the following ~~proposed~~ suggestions be made to the Committee of the Union, and that the clerk be instructed to forward the whole of the recommendations to the Secretary of the B.C. Union at Victoria, on Monday next:-

(1) That a Council be empowered to charge a fee of \$10 for each plan of subdivision of property certified under Sec. 68 of the Land Registry Act.

(2) That the maximum limit of indemnity to the Reeve of a Municipality be raised to \$300 per year, the Council to possess the option of fixing any sum up to this limit.

(3) That Councils be elected upon the same basis as now enacted for the election of members of School Boards, but for a period of two instead of three years, one half of the Council retiring annually, provided that the election of Reeve shall be held annually; and further that each Councillor shall be elected upon the suffrage of the entire Municipality and not in respect of Wards as at present.

(4) That Municipalities be empowered to pass a By-law, at their discretion, absolutely prohibiting the discharge of fire-arms, or the carrying of a gun (except for the destruction of any injured animal or other necessary purpose) on Sundays.

(5) That it be a condition that any person claiming for his land to be classed, as "Improved" shall have previously, forwarded to the Assessor, at the commencement of a year, a notice that he has improved his land, and the extent of the improvements, to enable such Assessor to visit the property and assess the improvements, prior to his returning the roll to the Council.

(6) That inasmuch as a large proportion of the land within suburban municipalities has been sub-divided into town lots having an area of  $\frac{1}{5}$  or  $\frac{1}{6}$  of an acre and the present provision that improvements to the extent of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  dollars per acre shall entitle an owner to claim exemption from "Wild" Land Tax, and as such provision would entail an expenditure of only 50<sup>c</sup> or 42<sup>c</sup> upon  $\frac{1}{5}$  or  $\frac{1}{6}$  of an acre, it is essential that a revision be made providing for a reasonable expenditure upon such town lots as the basis of claim to exemption.

(7) That for the maintenance of main roads passing through more than one municipality it is desirable that county councils should be established to secure the more uniform state of repair of such roads, the income of such Council to be derived from proportionate levies upon the municipalities affected, and also from a proportion of the fees for motor car licenses levied by the Province, the damage to roads caused by Motor-car traffic being a matter of serious importance to municipalities.

(8) That with regard to areas outside a Municipal District but included in the Municipal School District, the duty of collecting the School Tax be laid upon the Provincial collector to collect with the provincial taxes, and at the end of every half year the amount so collected be paid over by him to the School Treasurer; the present system of collection by the Municipal collector (in the case of sub divided property) often entailing an expenditure in postage equal to the amount of the tax.

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Blue Prints of Sub divisions - Minutes 28 and 91  
so far as relates to Lot 155<sup>a</sup> and 188 were continued for supply of blue prints.

125 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Phillips & Cockrens application for road  
 Referring to Minute 19109 a letter from Mr Cockren asking for road, in support of Mr Phillips' application was read

Resolved: That the application be referred to Couns. Rumble<sup>& Cluff</sup> for investigation and report.

126. Seymour Creek Road. Minute 112. The Clerk reported having written, under instructions from the Reeve, to Vancouver City Council asking for information as to what action had been taken in the matter of proposed agreement.

A letter from the City Comptroller (Mr Baldwin) was read, stating that the City were not willing to enter into such agreement being advised by their Engineers against the proposal to lay other pipe lines along the same road as the City's.

Resolved: That the letter be received and referred to the Committee having charge of the matter - the Reeve, Councillors Sprout & Cluff.

127 Minutes continued. The following minutes were carried forward :-

- 98. B.C. E. Ry Gravel. Clerk to write again
- 100. Boulevard Hastings Road. Further time.
- 71. Mr Keasts application for Road. Further time.
- 10. Car Fares. Further time.
- 84. Deeds Gunn Road. Further time.
- 108. Butler Road Station approach, for report.

128 Minutes Discharged. The following minutes were ordered to be discharged :-

- 48. Foreshore Rights
- 60. Boulevard Power House Road
- 3. Royal Oak Road. South of Railway
- 85. Ditches. Ward VI.
- 86. Corduroy, Hastings Road
- 114. Sub div<sup>n</sup> of Lot 186.

- 129 Overflow of Water on Mr. Ledgers property. Mr. J. H. Ledger addressed the Council, complaining that the new roads and ditches on the Welsh property had caused the water from higher lands to flood a portion of his property, and asked for remedy of the grievance.  
Resolved. That a Committee consisting of the Reeve with Councillors Stride, Love and Anderson be asked to investigate the matter.
- 130 Trapp Road. A letter from Mr. Trapp was read asking that puncherons might be laid down on soft places on this road he having leased the Southerly 100 acres to Hong Joe.  
Resolved: That the letter be referred to the Reeve and Councillor Spott.
- 131 Road for Lot 8. A petition from Messrs Moriyma, Iwashita & others asking for road to their properties was read.  
Resolved: That the request be referred to the members of the Intermunicipal Committee for investigation & report.
- 132 Pole Line Road. Mr. George Leaf wrote calling attention to the danger to horses through broken wood filling near the Post Office.  
Resolved: That the complaint be referred to Couns. Stride and Anderson to endeavour to arrange with Mr. Doran of Deer Lake Mill, and that they be empowered to act.
- 133 Mrs. Grays claim to vote. Mr. Peter Gray having requested that his wife's name be added to the voters list, the clerk was instructed to forward Declaration of Ownership form.
- 134 Water on Hasyard Road. Minute 39. Mr. Macray wrote that the arrangement was satisfactory to him.  
 The letter was filed, and Councillor Love authorized to have the Councils portion of the work carried out.
- 135 Ditch and Culvert Boundary Road. Minute 81. The clerk of South Vancouver wrote that the letter of

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the Council had been laid over.

Resolved: That the clerk write to South Vancouver asking the clerk to bring the matter before the attention of the Reeve as a question of urgency, as in view of a possible suit for damages this Council declines to accept the responsibility.

- 136 V. W & Y Crossings. Minute by. A letter from the Sect. of the Commission was read acknowledging the clerk's letter, and intimating that an order would shortly be issued. The letter was filed.
- 137 Burnaby Loan Adjustment and Amending By-Law. The clerk reported receipt of a copy of the Order-in-Council confirming this By-Law.
- 138 Vancouver Market Site. A letter was submitted from A. E. Tregent, Secretary of Vancouver Property Owners Association, with reference to the location of the Market. Inasmuch as the City Council have definitely decided upon the False Creek site, the clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter.
- 139 Trapp Road. Resolved: That Councillor Spott be empowered to obtain the lumber necessary for a bridge (about 12 ft long) for this road and to employ J. Davies to put the same down; also that the Road foreman be instructed to have 25 yards of gravel drawn and laid on the road by Mr. Mandeville's premises.
- 140 Walkem Road. Resolved: That Counc. Spott be authorized to have the necessary work done to relieve accumulation of water in this ditch.
- 141 C. P. R. Works on Eburne Line. Resolved: That the C. P. R. be requested to provide an outlet to the river from the crossings at Byrne Road and Trapp Road and to widen and deepen the ditches, also that the attention of the company be

drawn to the necessity for placing flood gates to prevent the high waters of the Fraser from backing up and flooding the lands by means of the ditches now constructed. And further that the culverts laid down are not sufficiently large and are not placed opposite the ditches.

- 142 Ditch 10' Ave. Couns. Spratt was authorized to have ditch cleared out between 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Streets.
- 143 Ditch North Road. Couns. Love reported on work done on ditch and the same was approved.
- 144 Road to Mr. Scuffi's property. Referring to Minute 79, the Road Foreman suggested that if the Council constructed a road it should be from Bainbridge Road, and the suggestion was approved.  
Resolved: That Couns. Cliff be requested to bring in specification for a road, and to submit same at the next meeting.
- 145 Ward V. Councillor Anderson reported damage to Pole Line Road through excessive rainfall, and that the Mill owners on Deer Lake had offered a quantity of slabs which he had had hauled and laid down.  
 The mill owners had also offered to supply lumber for repairing puncheon across the swamp and the work was in progress.  
Resolved: That the report be approved and adopted.
- 146 Ward VI. Resolved: That Councillors Stride and Rumble be authorized to call for tenders and to let contract for breaking ~~to~~ rock on Hall grounds.
- 147 Resolved: That Couns. Rumble be authorized to call for tenders for 100 yds broken rock in 25 yd lots.
- 148 Resolved: That Couns. Rumble be authorized to have culvert on Patterson Road, and the ditch to same, lowered at a cost not exceeding \$20
- 149 Resolved: That a Culvert be laid down on Smith Avenue upon the same terms as previously.

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Treasurers Report. The following report from the Treasurer was received

Month of October.

Balance Bank of Montreal Oct 1.			4466	64
" In Treasurer's hands.			176	74
Receipts. Municipal Taxes. 1903	3	08		
" " " 1904	32	51		
" " " 1905	61	72		
" " " 1906	581	53	678	86
" " " current year.			8392	66
" School Board 1906.	87	28		
" " " current year.	2579	10	2666	98
B. C. E. Ry. Contribution Pole Line Road			100	
Sale of Lands. A. Smyth.			112	25
Interest on arrears of taxes.			57	55
			16657	68

Payments made in October	5,655.	14
Balance at Bank	10,288.	78
Balance in Collectors hands.	707.	76.
	16,657.	68.

Month of November.

Balances brought down. Bank			10,288	78
Collector			707	76
Receipts. 1905 Taxes Municipal	6	92		
1906 " "	22	72	29	64
current year.			144	64
Interest on arrears.			2	35
School Board Taxes. 1906.	4	28		
" " " current year.	50	07	54	35
Sale of Lands. A. McPherson	1200	65		
S. F. Mark.	82	70	1283	35
Refund New Westminster			236	49
Provincial Exhibition. Allowance			150	
Road Tax.			357	50
			13,248	86

Payments made in Nov.	2,546.	09
Balance at Bank	10,507.	79
" Collectors hands.	192.	98
	13,248.	86.

Resolved: That the report be received and entered on minutes.

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Accounts for Payment. The following Accounts were examined:-

Walker B. G. Clerk &c			85
Collins J. Assistant			40
Ralph W. A. Road Foreman	65		
Constable	5		70
Seldon A. "			5
B. C. Telephone. Rental			3
Vancouver Province. Advt. Tenders. North Arm Rd. Ward I.			4 90
McLeod A. Typewriting. Declarations for By. Law.			2 50
News Advertiser. Binding rolls.			15 50
Moorey H. Office supplies.			6 23
Walker D. Examination of Lunatic.			5
Scuffi E. New Road off Bainbridge Rd. Ward IV			10
Blaer H. Barnet Road Ward IV			25
Capon J. " " "			2 50
Powell G. C. " " "			22 50
Haddon Tho. Gunn Road Ward IV			200
Brown J. Guichon Road. Ward VI			5
Sandell W. Smith Ave. Ward VI			25
Erwin S. J. Vancouver Rd. Ward VI			7 50
Penny R. " "			16
Affleck J. M. Hastings Rd. Ward V			20
Ledger J. H. Welsh Road Ward III	159	10	
Hastings Rd. Ward V.	8		167 10
Landers E. Hastings Rd Ward III	6	25	
Third Ave " "	3	75	
Wize Road " II	1	25	11 25
Wiltshire E. M. North Road. Ward III	62	50	
Coquitlam	62	50	125
Brown E. Nelson Road Ward VI			30
Mills Mark. Patterson Rd. Ward VI	27		
Smith Ave. " "	15		42
Burchell C. on a/c rock. Ward VI			25
Attoe A. R. Wood for Hall.	9		
Gravel. Vancouver Rd Ward II	2	50	11 50
Robinson J. Nelson Rd. North. Ward VI			16 50
Price & Penny. Trapp Rd (on a/c) Ward I.			30
Davis & Cherry " " " "			133 65
Brownlee J. North Arm Road. Ward I			12 50
Carried forward			1175 13

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Brought forward  
Bailey A. Gunn Road. Ward III

1175 13

17 50

1192 63

Debiture Interest <sup>due</sup> on Dec. 1.

7 50 00

1192 63

152. Resolved: That the foregoing accounts be passed, and the Reeve and the Chairman of the Finance Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to sign cheques in payment of the same.

153. Reserve Account. Resolved: That a sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5000) be placed to credit of Reserve Fund at the Bank of Montreal.

154. School Board Taxes. Resolved: That a cheque for \$900 be drawn on account of School Board Taxes.

155. Adjournment. Resolved. That the Council adjourn till Saturday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 2.30 p.m. being pay day.

B. H. Walker  
C.M.C.

Peter Byrne Reeve