

Monday - January 15th, 1912.

The Statutory Meeting of the Council was held at the Municipal Hall on Monday, January 15th, 1912 at 11 O'clock a.m.

Present:- His worship Reeve Weast.

Councillors:- Mr. Gregor, Mac. Donald, Mc. Kee, Britton, Madill, and Mayne.

The Returning Officer reported that at the Municipal Elections, held on January 15th, 1912, the following were elected as Reeve and Councillors.

Weast, John Walter Reeve

Mr. Gregor, Duncan Campbell, Councillor - Ward. 1.

Britton, Frank Matthew, Councillor - Ward. 2.

Madill, William Henry, Councillor - Ward. 3.

Mc. Kee, Hamilton Johnston, Councillor - Ward. 4.

Mac. Donald, Angus., Councillor - Ward. 5.

Mayne, Thomas William, Councillor - Ward. 6.

His worship the Reeve, and the Councillors, severally made and subscribed the Statutory Oath of Office, before Mr. B. G. Walker, J.P.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council of 1911 were read.

Moved by Cr. Mr. Gregor, Seconded by Cr. Mr. Kee:- "That the Minutes as read, be adopted and confirmed."

Carried unanimously.

His Worship the Reeve, addressed the Council as follows:-

"It gives me pleasure to welcome you at this our first meeting. I am pleased at the return of three of my last year's Council, and I wish to record a word as to the loss of three valued members who went down to defeat, in stating that each of these, faithfully discharged their duties during 1911.

In their places, Bonnaly has returned three new men, who, I trust, will prove to be valuable Councillors, bringing, as they do, new blood and energy to the Board.

I congratulate you all on your return, and the confidence reposed in this and last year's Council by the Electors in pronouncing in favor of the By Laws submitted for their verdict, showing that the generous but careful policy of development adopted in 1911 and proposed for 1912, has met with general approval.

You will, during the year, be asked to consider, and if deemed advisable, to adopt measures to:- Extend the Public Lighting Service; Increase the Police Service; The re-appointment of our Police Magistrate on a Salary instead of fees incident to his office; The acquisition of Public Parks or Recreation Grounds; Fire Protection; A careful consideration of the Contract System, and the adoption at the

1 earliest date, of a semi-monthly pay day, and a scale of wages
2 which will be fair to the workers, having due regard to the
3 higher cost of living, encouraging the Municipal Employees to
4 establish a fund which may be used in the case of Accident or
5 Sickness, to pay the loss sustained or suffered by the men, or such
6 portion thereof as may be determined: Also to obtain a "Blanket"
7 Accident Policy of Insurance covering the whole population, which
8 will, in the case of Accident, afford a measure of relief to the
9 unfortunate.

10 I would request that your first act be a
11 resolution asking the chiefs of all departments to report fully
12 at the next Meeting, the requirements of each as to Equipment,
13 Service, or otherwise, so that this Council may be fully in touch
14 with each as to the number employed, the duties of each, and
15 the remuneration paid for services rendered.

16 You will be asked to revise the general
17 contract form, and to insert a clause that all Contractors must
18 apply to the Hall for men, before they will be permitted to
19 employ non-residents.

20 To carefully consider the expenditure of the
21 1912 Roads and Sidewalks By-Law money, so that the most
22 good may be derived by the greatest number.

23 Also what possible steps can be taken
24 towards transportation for the relief of our people.

25 Correspondence was received and dealt with as follows:-
26 C. R. R. & B. L. S. Ry. Co. - Notification that the Street Lighting
27 System, with the exception of the North Road, is completed.
28 Moved by Cr. Mr. Gregor. Seconded by Cr. Britton: - "That the letter
29 be received and filed."

30 Carried unanimously.

31 Assessor - Report on application of Mr. C. G. Anderson for change
32 of assessment from "Unimproved" to "Improved" of Blk. E. D. L. 40.
33 Moved by Cr. Mr. Gregor. Seconded by Cr. Madill: - "That the Report of
34 the Assessor be adopted, and Mr. Anderson be notified accordingly."

35 Carried unanimously.

36 Solicitors - re. Lease of Tank Site at East Burnaby School grounds.
37 advising that the lease in its present form would practically
38 only give the Municipality a lease for twelve months.

39 Moved by Cr. Mr. Gregor. Seconded by Cr. Madill: - "That Cr. Wayne
40 be appointed a Committee of one, to interview the School Board, and
41 sense the adjustment of the lease in accordance with the only
42 solution possible from the correspondence already received."

43 Carried unanimously.

44 Solicitors - re. Mr. A. Widdowson's claim for damages, advising that

1 Mr Widdowson has no claim against the Municipality.

2 Moved by Cr. Mc. Kee, Seconded by Cr. Britton:- "That the letter he
3 received and filed, and Mr Widdowson notified accordingly."

4 Carried unanimously.

5 Solicitors (by Telephone subsequently confirmed by letter) re. Subdivision
6 Plan. Blk. 6. S. L. 91. S. F. Marks.; asking for amount of Bond,
7 whether Bond was to be made by Mr Marks himself, or with one
8 or more Sureties, and the time limit within which he would
9 be required to deliver the property which he undertakes to acquire.
10 Moved by Cr. Mc. Gregor. Seconded by Cr. Madill:- "That the Solicitors
11 be advised of the tenor of the Resolution previously passed in this
12 matter, and that they be instructed to obtain, if possible, from
13 Mr Marks, an Agreement to purchase, and Register the same as
14 a charge against the property; failing this, to accept a Bond
15 sufficient to protect the interests of the Corporation, say, to
16 twice the value of the property."

17 Carried unanimously.

18 Moved by Cr. Britton, Seconded by Cr. Madill:- "That the matter
19 of the appointment of Health Officer be referred to the Health
20 Committee to report at the next Meeting of the Council."

21 Carried unanimously.

22 Upon the suggestion of his worship the Reeve, it was Resolved:
23 That the Clerk be instructed to request the Heads of all
24 departments to prepare a statement setting forth their requirements
25 as to Staff, Equipment, Service &c. necessary for the proper
26 efficiency of their respective departments, and also a report
27 as to the efficiency or otherwise of their present Staff; for
28 submission to the Council on Monday, January, 22nd. inst.

29 Carried unanimously.

30 Moved by Cr. Mc. Kee, Seconded by Cr. Madill:- "That Board of
31 Works Contract Accounts, amounting to \$13,355.25, be paid; and that
32 Cr. Mc. Gregor be authorised to act as Chairman of the Board of
33 Works for the purpose of passing these particular accounts."

34 Carried unanimously.

35 Moved by Cr. Britton, Seconded by Cr. Madill:- "That Waterworks
36 Contract Accounts as certified by the Engineers, and amounting to
37 \$38,440.55 be paid".

38 Carried unanimously.

39 Moved by Cr. Mc. Gregor. Seconded by Cr. Madill:- "That the Account
40 for Debenture Interest, amounting to \$3450.00, be paid."

41 Carried unanimously.

42 Moved by Cr. Britton, Seconded by Cr. Madill:- "That the Clerk be
43 instructed to communicate with the Councils of the Cities of
44 Vancouver and New Westminster, and of the Municipalities of
45 South Vancouver, Point Grey, and Coal Harbour, with a view to the

1 formation of a joint Transportation Committee, to deal with the
2 questions of Transportation, Fares, Rates and Service, for the whole
3 peninsula.

Carried unanimously.

4 Moved by Cr. Mr. Gregor, seconded by Cr. Mr. Kee:- "That the present
5 Solicitors to the Corporation be retained temporarily, until the matter
6 has been laid before the Finance Committee, and that they (the
7 Solicitors) be asked if they have any suggestion to make as to the
8 amount of "Retainer" or any other matters".

Carried unanimously.

9 The following Committees were appointed

10 Board of Works

11 The whole Council with Cr. Mac. Donald as Chairman.

12 Finance

13 Councillor Mr. Gregor, Chairman, Crs. Britton and Mac. Donald.

14 Health

15 Councillor Madill, Chairman, Crs. Mr. Kee, Mayne and Mr. Gregor.

16 Water

17 Councillor Britton, Chairman, Crs. Mayne, Madill and Mac. Donald.

18 Light & Fire

19 Councillor Madill, Chairman, Crs. Mayne & Britton.

20 Police

21 Councillor Mr. Kee, Chairman, Cr. Madill and Mac. Donald.

22 Hall and Grounds

23 Councillor Mayne - Chairman, Crs. Britton and Mr. Kee.

24 Inter-Municipal - New Westminster

25 Councillors Madill and Britton

26 Inter-Municipal - City of Vancouver

27 Councillors Mr. Gregor and Mac. Donald.

28 Inter-Municipal - South Vancouver

29 Councillors Mac. Donald and Mayne.

30 Inter-Municipal - Coquitlam

31 Councillors Mr. Kee and Madill.

32 Plans

33 Chairman of Board of Works and Municipal Engineers.

34 Fence Viewers

35 Mr. Wm. Ralph, Mr. Jesse Love, Mr. J. A. Skinner

36 Licensing Board

37 His Worship Reeve Weart

38 Councillors Britton and Mac. Donald.

39 C. F. Sprott, Esq. J. P. and Chas. Cliff Esq. J. P.

40 His Worship the Reeve, is, ex officio, a member of all Committees.

41 The Council then adjourned until January 2nd. inst.

42 Convened

43 *J. W. Mac. Kee*
44 Reeve.