

August 17th, 1931.

An Adjourned meeting of the Council was held in the Municipal Hall, on Monday August 17th, 1931, at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Reeve Pritchard in the Chair
Euncillors:- Martin, Rylett, Lambert, Lench, Wheatley, Gray and Wilson

Resolved: "That the Minutes of the Meeting of August 10th, 1931 be adopted as written and confirmed."

Carried unanimously.

The Engineer wrote re Local Improvement Assessment on Lots 8 and 9, Blocks 25 and 26, District Lot 35, advising that he was at a loss to know how to answer the request for assessment under Section 19 of the Local Improvement Act, and asking for instructions as to what the basis of a new Assessment should be.

Moved by Cr. Lambert, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley:- "That the Corporation construct the balance of the sidewalk on Lot 8.

An Amendment was moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Martin:- "That the Clerk be again directed to make a report.

Amendment carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Public Works wrote acknowledging our letter of the 29th. ultimo re proposed Bridge over Fraser River.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Gray:- "That the letter be received and filed."

Carried unanimously.

2. The Secretary of the Good Roads League of British Columbia wrote advising that the Annual Convention will be held at New Westminster on September 15th. and 15th. and asking that the membership fee \$10.00 for 1931 be forwarded.

Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Lambert:- "That the membership fee be paid."

Carried unanimously.

3. Moved by Cr. Lambert, Seconded by Cr. Rylett:- "That the resolutions re cost of Education as submitted by this Council to the Union of Canadian Municipalities in 1930 be again submitted and that the forthcoming Convention be asked to re-affirm the said resolutions;"

Carried unanimously.

4. J. E. Mellish wrote on behalf of Mrs. F. E. Bailey claiming damages on account of an accident alleged to have been caused by spilling oil from the Municipal Oil truck on the sidewalk on the North side of Alexander Street, Vancouver.

Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Gray:- "That this Corporation disclaim all liability herein."

Carried unanimously.

5. H. M. Drost wrote on behalf of Mr. P. D. Decker asking that the construction of Local Improvement sidewalk on Grimmer Street be held up until the claims of Mr. Decker and others again be investigated.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Martin:- "That the letter be received and filed."

Carried unanimously.

6. Secretary, Town Planning Commission wrote re Major Roads asking that the Council would authorize an expenditure up to \$1,000. from the item Town Planning Estimate for the purpose of obtaining information necessary to fix the location on the ground on the following diversions in the order named:-

- (1) Sperling Avenue at Central Arterial Highway
- (2) Springer Avenue and Royal Oak Avenue at (a) Central Arterial Highway and (b) in vicinity of B.L. 84.
- (3) Rumble Street - easterly connection from Gilley Avenue to New Westminster city limits.
- (4) Gilley Avenue - northerly connection to Burris Street.
- (5) Gilley Avenue and Byrne Road at Marine Drive.

Moved by Cr. Martin, Seconded by Cr. Gray:- "That an appropriation of \$1000.00 be authorized and that the Engineer be instructed as requested by the Town Planning Commission."

Carried unanimously.

7. Wm. John Riley applied for license for Tea Room and Barbecue on Block 1, District Lot 175 at Albert Avenue and Marine Drive.

Moved by Cr. Lambert, Seconded by Cr. Rylett:- "That this application be referred to the Chief Constable for report."

Mr. Riley was present and addressed the meeting of the Council.

An Amendment was moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Rylett:- "That a license be granted on the understanding that the license does not go with the land."

Carried
Cr. Lambert against.

8. D. Donaghy issued a writ on behalf of Robert Angus for damages alleged to have been caused by the diversion of water by this Corporation on lands owned by the plaintiff.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley:- "That the Engineer furnish the Corporation Solicitors with a complete report on the circumstances in this connection, and that the Corporation Solicitors be asked to advise as to the advisability of the defence of this action or otherwise.

Carried unanimously.

The Inspector of Municipalities wrote advising that it is not within the powers of this Corporation to grant a fixed assessment to a certain industrial concern which holds the site of the proposed industry under lease.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Lambert:- "That the letter be received and filed and a copy thereof be furnished to each Councillor
Carried unanimously.

The Inspector of Municipalities wrote re Local Improvement Sidewalk Assessment advising that in his opinion the authority of this Corporation is not very clear to give to a Local Improvement Tax payer at certain specified rate and the Corporation to pay the balance, and also that in his opinion such a course is not in accordance with the intention of the Local Improvement Act. He also advised with reference to the proposal to pass a by-law under section 62 of the Local Improvement Act, "That he did not think that the ratepayers of the Municipality can afford it." Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley:- "That this letter be referred to the standing Committee on Local Improvement sidewalk assessments and that a copy thereof be furnished to each Councillor."

Carried unanimously.

A Delegation from the Unemployed Workers of this Municipality attended and addressed the Council asking for support in their opposition to the Camp Scheme and wage cuts as proposed by the Provincial Government, and also submitted a request that the Council submit a by-law in the sum of \$249,000.00, such amount to be expended on relief work only at the Union rate of wage. Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Wilson:- "That the first request be received and referred to the Federal and Provincial Governments advising that in the opinion of this Council there are sufficient works that might be carried out in this District, which, if carried out would obviate the necessity of sending local residents in to construction camps, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Federal Member for this Riding."

Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Martin:- "That the Engineer submit a report and estimate for necessary works and that a By-law in the sum of \$249,000.00 be submitted to the electors."

Cr. Martin & Gray in favour

Councillors Rylett, Lench, Wheatley, Wilson, Lambert, and His Worship Reeve Pritchard against.

Lost.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley:- "That His Worship Reeve Pritchard be asked to take up with the Management of the Dominion Bridge Company the matter of proportion of Burnaby Residents as employees of the Company."

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Lambert:- "That this Committee do now adjourn."

The Meeting then adjourned.

confirmed

Arthur G. Moore

Clerk

Chairman.

Reeve.