

Wednesday - August 26th, 1931.

The Council met as a Committee of the Whole with the Reeve in the chair on Wednesday, August 26th, 1931 at 7.30 p.m.
Present: His Worship the Reeve, and Councillors Rylett, Lench, Gray, Wheatley, and Wilson.

Harry Stewardson wrote on behalf of Tom Reid M.P. requesting certain information as to what Federal works might be undertaken to afford relief to the unemployment situation.

His Worship the Reeve suggested the following works:

- (1) Development of C.N.R. Industrial sites on Fraser River flats
(Roads, water, sewers)
- (2) Construction of Foreshore Roadway on Burrard Inlet North of C.P.R. tracks as a Vancouver Harbour Board project.
- (3) Federal and Provincial Governments jointly to undertake widening of Kingsway and Hastings-Barnet Highways (both Arterial) in accordance with Town Planning Commission recommendations.
- (4) Development of Burnaby Lake Area as recreational adjunct to Canadian National Railway and Hotel.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Rylett: "That the four items as submitted by His Worship the Reeve be approved."
Carried - Cr. Gray against item No. 4.

Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Wilson: "That the construction of a Bridge across Fraser River above the present bridge be added to the list."
Carried unanimously.

Minister of Public Works - Victoria - wrote requesting to be advised immediately as to the programme of work this Municipality contemplates undertaking as an unemployment relief measure.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Gray: "That the Government be informed that after thorough discussion at a meeting called for the special purpose this Council is of the opinion that its only method of financing would be by submission of a By-law and that no By-law could be submitted with any prospect of success without definite knowledge of the amount of assistance which will be rendered by the Provincial and Federal Governments, and with the limited information which we now have we could not bear any proportion of the cost other than the purchase or rental of supplies, equipment, tools, material or things of a similar nature, and for overhead charges."
Carried unanimously.

2 Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley: "That this Council is of the opinion that the subsistence allowance proposed is insufficient for men who are performing manual labour, and that the subsistence allowance to dependents should be differential in proportion to the number of children in dependent families."
Carried - Cr. Wilson against.

Resolutions for submission to the convention of the Union of B.C. Municipalities were considered as follows:

(1) Re-affirm resolution of last year re State Insurance and Old Age pensions.
Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Gray: "That this resolution be endorsed."
Carried unanimously.

(2) Re-affirm resolution of last year re sharing Education costs with the addition that the proportions be 1/3 Municipality, 1/3 Provincial and 1/3 Dominion

Moved by Cr. Wheatley, Seconded by Cr. Rylett: "That this resolution be endorsed."
Carried unanimously.

(3) That the Local Improvement Act be amended to provide for ballot form on notices where work is proposed to be done on the initiative plan.

Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley: "That this resolution be endorsed."
Carried unanimously.

(4) That Local Improvement Act be amended to give clearer definitions of the terms "Direct" "Immediate" and to co-ordinate such definitions.

Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Rylett: "That this resolution be endorsed."
Carried unanimously.

(5) That Section 129 of the Land Registry Act be amended to include water rates.

Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Gray: "That this resolution be endorsed."
Carried unanimously.

(6) That an amendment be made to the Municipal Act to provide where Light or Power services are given by a private Corporation in any Municipality that the said Municipality be authorized to purchase the plant and equipment used in giving such services within the Municipality as and when desired at a price to be agreed or fixed by arbitration.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Lench: "That this resolution be endorsed."
Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Gray, Seconded by Cr. Rylett: "That the resolution submitted by the

Burnaby Branch - N.U.W.A. - in their letter of August 22nd inst. re inability of residents to pay rent or meet mortgages at this time be referred to the Union of B.C. Municipalities for discussion."
Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Wheatley: "That this Meeting do now adjourn."
Carried unanimously.

Confirmed.

Arthur G. Moore
Clerk.

W. C. Pitland
Reeve.