

Monday - December 18th 1950

A regular meeting of the Council was held at the Municipal Hall, Edmonds on Monday, December 18th 1950 at 7:30 P.M.

Present: Reeve Beamish in the Chair, Crs. Wilks, Philps, Isherwood, MacSorley, Armstrong, Stephens and Drummond.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That minutes of the previous meeting be adopted as written, and confirmed."

Carried Unanimously

Secretary-Treasurer, Burnaby Ratepayers Council wrote requesting use of space in the Municipal Hall, for the purpose of holding their quarterly meeting on the evening of January 11th 1951.

Moved by Cr. Armstrong, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That permission be granted as requested."

Carried Unanimously

B.C.Christian Institute Rest Home wrote requesting consideration of a tax adjustment respecting their property at 3801 and 3857 Myrtle Street, both buildings on these properties being used entirely in the interest of Social Welfare.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Armstrong: "That the letter be received, and referred to a special committee for investigation and report."

Carried Unanimously

Committee appointed included Crs. MacSorley and Isherwood.

Central Burnaby Ratepayers & Citizens Association wrote with reference to the Inter-High School Debate Trophy, recently donated by the Council, and requesting that provision be made for purchase of a shield to be affixed to the said trophy to denote the current winner.

Moved by Cr. MacSorley, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That the letter be received, and authority be granted for purchase of a suitable shield to affix to the Inter-High School debate cup."

Carried Unanimously

R.B.Gaskarth, C.S.Manson, Joseph Griffiths and J.W.Roberts wrote with reference to their application to purchase Lots 5,6,7,8, Block 9, D.L. 98 which property abutted on their properties described Lots 1,2,3,4, Block 9, D.L. 98 suggesting that they be permitted to purchase these lots, located in a Light Industrial area, to preserve the area as a playground, subject to consolidation of the lots into one parcel, to be owned jointly by the four interested parties, and further subject to a bond being posted to cover the installation of water service to the property. Delegation appeared in this connection.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Philps: "That the delegation be heard."

Carried Unanimously

Spokesman for the delegation requested that consideration be given to their application on the terms as outlined, advising it was the wish of the owners concerned, to preserve the property in lots 5 to 8 for playground purposes, and also to protect the value of their property, which it was considered, would be depreciated if industries were allowed to be established on the property.

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Philps: "That the present reserve placed on Lots 5,6,7,8, Block 9, D.L. 98 be lifted, and the application of messrs Gaskarth, Manson, Griffiths and Roberts to purchase the said property, be approved subject to the terms and conditions of their application."

Carried Unanimously

Messrs Ledner, Downs, Ledner & Gregory wrote with reference to the proposed erection of an apartment, by their client Gerald E. Thurston, on property at 3585 Imperial Street, advising it had come to the attention of their client that the main Nelson Avenue sewer was insufficient to handle the water during heavy periods of rain, and that during such periods, the sewer was in the habit of surcharging into basements of surrounding residents. The writer requested, that since their client had already rented the basement suites in his apartment, and the Corporation had installed sewer connections to the property, the Corporation take steps to rectify the condition, and thus safeguard their client.

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the communication be received, and the matter be referred to the Engineer for report."

Carried Unanimously

Commissioner, Royal Canadian Mounted Police submitted terms of contract for Policing the Municipality for the year 1951, and requested consideration of the said terms, and advice as to acceptance of the contract.

Moved by Cr. Drummond, Seconded by Cr. Philps: "That the communication be received, and referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration."

Carried Unanimously

Secretary, Town Planning Commission submitted report on application of D.A. Sturdy on behalf of George Shewcroft for re-zoning of property at 4116 Southwood Street, from Residential to Local Commercial recommending the property be re-zoned as requested, it having been the opinion of the Commission ample protection of the applicants present store holdings on the property was afforded in that the said holdings would not be disturbed, nor the operation thereof, unless the building became vacated for more than thirty days, or unless the said building was destroyed by fire or otherwise.

Moved by Cr. Armstrong, Seconded by Cr. MacSorley: "That the report of the Commission be received, and adopted."

Carried Unanimously

Secretary, Town Planning Commission wrote with reference to the application of the Avenue Realty Corporation to have the property described Lots "A" and "B", Block 2, D.L. 119 re-zoned from "Residential" to "Heavy Industrial" advising the Commission recommended that the boundaries of the "Central Heavy Industrial Area" be amended to include this property.

Moved by Cr. MacSorley, Seconded by Cr. Armstrong: "That the recommendation of the Commission be adopted, and the necessary amending By-law to amend the Burnaby Town Planning By-law, be brought down accordingly."

Carried Unanimously

Secretary, Town Planning Commission submitted report relative to the application of H. Koswan for re-zoning of property described Lots 1to4, Blk. 8A, D.L. 155A from "Residential" to "Commercial", advising it was the recommendation of the Commission this application be not entertained, in view of the Commercial development in this vicinity at the intersection of Gilley Avenue and Marine Drive, considered to meet the needs of the district.

Major Raymer appeared on behalf of the applicant, and requested an interview.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Philips: "That Major Raymer be heard."

Carried Unanimously

Major Raymer spoke and presented plans of the proposed service station and apartment to be erected on the property, but requested consideration of the erection of an Auto Camp thereon, in view of the obstacles presented through required amendments to the Town Planning By-law in connection with Commercial re-zoning.

Moved by Cr. Armstrong, Seconded by Cr. Drummond: "That the recommendation of the Town Planning Commission be adopted."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Drummond, Seconded by Cr. Stephens: "That Chairman of the Board of Works & Waterworks (Cr. MacSorley) and Chairman of Property & Building Committee (Cr. Isherwood) be a committee together with the Building Inspector, Sanitary Inspector, and Engineer to investigate the Auto Camp application, and report thereon."

Carried Unanimously

Chief Electrical Inspector submitted report advising that Mr. C. Westgarth had been appointed to the position of Assistant Electrical Inspector effective as from December 1st 1950 for six month probationary period, at a salary of \$200.00 per month.

Moved by Cr. MacSorley, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That the report of the Chief Electrical Inspector, be adopted."

Carried Unanimously

Special Committee of Building Inspector and Sanitary Inspector submitted report on complaint concerning operation of an alleged automobile repair business by A Nerada at 4455 Albert Street, advising a number of discrepancies had been found which constituted a breach of the Building and Licensing regulations and that accordingly, the matter would be taken up in due course with the owner, in the regular way.

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Drummond: "That the report be received."

Carried Unanimously

C.M.C. brought forward tender for demolition of building situated on property at 1905 Balmoral Street, received as a result of the building having been advertised for sale and demolition.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Armstrong: "That the tender be opened."

Carried Unanimously

C.M.C. then opened the tender, revealing an offer to demolish and remove the building to the satisfaction of the Corporation, in return for the material in the building.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Drummond: "That the offer be accepted."

Carried Unanimously

License Inspector submitted report on activities of his Department for the month of November, 1950.

Moved by Cr. Wilks, Seconded by Cr. Drummond: "That the report be received."

Carried Unanimously

Fire Chief submitted report on activities of his Department for the month of November, 1950.

Moved by Cr. Drummond, Seconded by Cr. Stephens: "That the report be received."

Carried Unanimously

Engineer submitted report relative to Lane Construction and Maintenance advising that due to the introduction of a lane development policy this year, and authorization of lane maintenance work, the poor condition of lanes generally had been emphasized, advising further that due to the proportions of lane work, in the Municipality, development work could only be undertaken progressively over a period of years, and that owing to the state of depletion of the Board of Works Estimates, no further work could be undertaken until the coming year.

Moved by Cr. Stephens, Seconded by Cr. Philips: "That the report of the Engineer be received."

Carried Unanimously

1. Engineer submitted report advising that for reasons of health, Mr. D. Thompson North Waterworks Foreman, required an extended leave of absence, requesting that the position of Temporary Foreman, North Waterworks be boarded to fill the vacancy in the interim.

Moved by Cr. Philps, Seconded by Cr. Armstrong: "That the report of the Engineer be adopted."

Carried Unanimously

Engineer submitted Detailed Account of Works covering period (two week) ending December 11th 1950.

Moved by Cr. MacSorley, Seconded by Cr. Stephens: "That the report be received."

Carried Unanimously

2. Cr. Isherwood addressed the Council, with regard to regulations pertaining to the collection of Poll Tax and Road Tax, suggesting that the imposition of these taxes was considered to be unjust, and that in view of the lack of organization set up to handle collections and the small amount of revenue, derived, that the By-laws effecting the regulations for collection of such taxes, be repealed, and collection of Poll and Road Tax in the Municipality be abolished.

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Drummond: "That regulations pertaining to the collection of Poll and Road Taxes be repealed, and that no further collection of this tax be made in the Municipality, and the Clerk be instructed to bring down the necessary By-laws to effect repeal of the Poll Tax By-law and Road Tax By-law."

AMENDMENT

Moved by Cr. Philps, Seconded by Cr. Stephens: "That the matter of discontinuation of collection of Poll and Road Tax be laid over for further consideration."

AMENDMENT LOST - Reeve Beamish, Crs. Wilks, Isherwood, MacSorley, Armstrong and Drummond voting against.

Crs. Philps and Stephens voting in favour.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Armstrong: "That the City of Vancouver Personnel Committee be asked if their Committee would be prepared to permit the City Personnel Manager to conduct a survey of the Burnaby Municipal job classifications generally, with a view to placing the said classifications on a uniform basis."

Carried Unanimously

Property Sales were submitted for approval as follows:

7804 Lot 6a, D.L. 82 Mary & Albert Wyley	650.00	639.00
7805 Lot "A", S.J. 2/7, Blks. 1/3, D.L. 95 Magda Anderson and Axel Alfred Anderson	500.00	440.00
7806 Lot 2, Block 25, D.L. 91C Redmond Johnson	300.00	260.00 Agt.
7807 Lot 5, Blk. 26, D.L. 187 Florence Caywood & Grant Caywood	325.00	275.00 Agt.
7808 Lot 3, Blk. 26, D.L. 91C Cyril Stewart & Clare Kendrick	300.00	260.00 Agt.
7809 Lot 13, Blks. 155/156, D.L. 92 Jane Adelaide Wilson	325.00	290.00
7810 Lot 9E, Blk. 11, D.L. 116S Gordon Hayes Frankforth	280.00	230.00
7811 Lot 153, Blk. 3, D.L. 77 Edwina Norah Daschner & John Daschner	100.00	90.00
7812 Lots 19/20, Blk. 19, D.L. 27 Kenneth Delwin Fenton	550.00	500.00

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Philps: "That property sales as submitted be approved."

Carried Unanimously

Returning Officer submitted return of votes cast for and against the "Burnaby Waterworks Loan By-law 1950" as follows:-

Votes in favour	6284
votes against	1232
Rejected	115
Blank	86
Valid ballots cast	7816
Three-fifths required	4509

Returning Officer submitted return of votes cast for and against the "Burnaby School Board (Debenture) By-law 1950" as follows:-

Votes in favour	6076
Votes against	1356
Rejected	122
Blank	101
Valid ballots cast	7432
Three-fifths required	4459

Moved by Cr. Wilks, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That the reports of the Returning Officer be received."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philps, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Waterworks Loan By-law 1950 be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philps, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Waterworks Loan By-law 1950, be now finally adopted, that it be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philps, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That Burnaby School Board (Debenture) By-law 1950, be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philps, Seconded by Cr. Armstrong: "That Burnaby School Board (Debenture) By-law 1950, be now finally adopted, that it be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. MacSorley: "That Craig Property Sale By-law 1950, be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Craig Property Sale By-law 1950, be now finally adopted, that it be signed by the Reeve and Clerk and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. MacSorley, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That Burnaby Waterworks Regulation By-law No. 2, 1926, Amendment By-law 1950 be now reconsidered."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. MacSorley, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Waterworks Regulation By-law No. 2, 1926, Amendment By-law 1950 be now finally adopted, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Philips: "That Burnaby Land Sale By-law No. 19, 1950, be now introduced, that the Council sit as a Committee of the Whole with the Reeve in the Chair, to consider the By-law."

Carried Unanimously

The Reeve then asked the question: "What is your pleasure with this By-law?"

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the By-law be read by short title only."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the Committee do now rise and report the By-law complete without amendment."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Land Sale By-law No. 19, 1950, be now passed."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Poll Tax By-law 1921, Repeal By-law 1950, be now introduced, that the Council sit as a committee of the Whole with the Reeve in the Chair to consider the By-law."

Carried Unanimously

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Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the By-law be read by short title only."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the Committee do now rise and report the By-law complete, without amendment."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Poll Tax By-law 1921, Repeal By-law 1950, be now passed."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Road Tax By-law 1917, Repeal By-law 1950 be now introduced, that the Council sit as a committee of the whole with the Reeve in the Chair to consider the By-law."

Carried Unanimously

The Reeve then asked the question: "What is your pleasure with this By-law?"

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the By-law be read by short title only."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the Committee do now rise and report the By-law complete, without amendment."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Isherwood, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That Burnaby Road Tax By-law 1917, Repeal By-law 1950, be now passed."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philips, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That Burnaby Taxes Abatement By-law 1950, be now introduced, that the Council sit as a Committee of the Whole with the Reeve in the Chair to consider the By-law."

Carried Unanimously

The Reeve then asked the question: "What is your pleasure with this By-law?"

Moved by Cr. Philips, Seconded by Cr. Wilks: "That the By-law be read by short title only."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philips, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That the Committee do now rise and report the By-law complete, without amendment."

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Cr. Philips, Seconded by Cr. Isherwood: "That Burnaby Taxes Abatement By-law 1950, be now passed."

Carried Unanimously

The meeting then adjourned to Wednesday, December 27th 1950 at 7:30 P.M.

Confirmed:

Leah B. Brown
Clerk

W. R. Beaman
Chairman