

Vancouver January 14<sup>th</sup> 1891

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup> 1891 for the purpose of meeting Mr. Innie Bell to discuss matters in connection with the proposed graving dock.

Present His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen Carroll, Bingham, Godfrey, Holton, Jampleton, Brown, McDouell, Doering and DePencier, also Mr. Innie Bell, and the City Solicitor

His Worship the Mayor opened the proceedings by introducing Mr. Innie Bell.

The City Clerk read a resolution passed by the Council on January 27<sup>th</sup> 1890 whereby the Mayor was empowered to enter into negotiations with the Dominion and Imperial Governments and with any individual or companies who may desire to undertake the erection of a dry dock and make such arrangements with them as may lead to its early construction.

A letter was read from J. Cooper Keith Manager of the Bank of B.C. stating that he had cabled to ascertain the financial standing of Messrs. Perry, Cutbill, Dehougo & Co and had received a reply to the effect that they were good for the amount proposed to be expended.

Mr. Bell agreed to have a clause inserted in the agreement to the effect that after the completion of the works no Chinese would be employed. He would also strongly recommend to his company that the City should have a representative on the Board of directors. No further promises were given. The Council then adjourned.

W. S. McLaughlin

City Clerk

D. Oppenheimer  
Mayor