

Bancomer Dec. 23rd 1889.

The Council met on Monday December 23rd 1889.

Present: His worship, the Mayor and Aldermen Brewer, Brighthouse, Clark, Costello, Hoome, McConnell, Oppenheimer and Salisbury.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From J. J. Slade notifying Council that it would be necessary to provide counsel for arguing the legal questions arising in the case of Mc Hugh vs the City of Bancomer, Referred to the Finance Committee.

From J. W. Mc Garland, Secy. C. W. C. Co., acknowledging receipt of communication re hydrants on Princess St.

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From Geo. S. Bodington Esq. M.D., asking payment of his fee for affidavits re Small job on the S.S. Princes.

Referred to Finance Committee.

From W. H. B. MacGowan, Secretary of the School Trustees, asking that a sidewalk be layed on Robson or Sumner Streets between Granville and Burrard Streets.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From W. H. B. MacGowan Secretary of the Board of Trade, asking the Council to set aside a sum of money say \$1000⁰⁰ to make a survey of False Creek, to be furnished to the Department of Public Works, for the improvement of the navigation of said creek.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

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John C. Barnard of Registrar of the Court summoning the Mayor and Aldermen to appear at a County Court to be holden at New Westminster on the 5th day of February 1890, at the hour of 11 o'clock A.M. to answer a claim preferred by John Devine referred to the City Solicitor

Reports

Finance

No 34.

The Finance Committee met on Sunday December 20th 1889.

Messrs Aldermen Salisbury,eland and Costello, were brought to report:-

1 That the Report of the late City Auditor Mr. John Devine, was fully considered and it was decided by the Committee that the complaints therein contained were trivial and generally unworthy of notice, most, if not all of the points referred to have been thoroughly placed before the public during the recent campaign and it is therefore not necessary to mention them again in detail.

The Committee regrets that a Confidential officer, like the late Auditor should have so abused his trust, as to make public details of irregularities, however slight, which he was specially appointed by the Committee to discover and report to them for their guidance in dealing with the City officials having charge of the accounts and before having made himself fully acquainted with all particulars pertaining thereto.

2 That the communication of Messrs Corbould, McNeill & James & Page, Pansford has been referred to the City

Solicitor for his opinion thereon

3 That the following accounts have been examined and found correct and are recommended for payment:-

J. J. Blake, Expenses to Victoria.	\$ 20 ⁰⁰
" " Witness fees etc.	23 ⁰⁰
A. H. Stuart, Police Court Services.	85 ⁰⁰
B. C. Gazette, Advertising.	158 ⁵⁰
Bank of B. C. Commissions	44 ⁸²
C. P. Telegraph Co.	37 ⁵⁰
Palmer Bros. Coal.	90 ⁷⁵
H. Hemlow, Assisting City Clerk.	3 ⁰⁰

4 That the sum of \$170⁰⁰ in the Report of the J. W. H. Committee be allowed to stand over

sgd H. F. Salisbury
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Costello

Seconded by " McCounell

That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted.
Carried.

The lease to the Brockton Point Athletic Club was read over clause by clause.

Moved by Alderman Horne.

Seconded by " Clerk.

That the Council approve of the lease for the Brockton Point Athletic Club with the exception of the clause relating to the time, which is limited to 40 years and the clause relating to the admittance fee which is amending by adding "that children under 12 years be admitted free, or half price," and lease to be printed for one week.
Carried.

Moved by Alderman Salisbury
Seconded by " Costello.

That the City Treasurer

be instructed to pay the City Officials at the end of the present month instead of at the first of the year in order to close out the accounts for 1889.

Carried.
 Moved by Alderman McLonnell.
 Seconded by " Brewer

That John H. Brady Thomas Crawford and Joseph Abson be paid at the end of the present month for services as special Constables for the respective number of days which they have worked since appointment such time to be furnished by the Sergeant of Police; such officials to be paid at the rate of \$6⁰⁰ per month.

Carried,

Notice of Motion

Alderman Salisbury gave notice that he would introduce a motion at the next meeting of Council in reference to the Smelting works.

The Council then adjourned

J. Oppenheimer
 Mayor

Thos J. McLinnigan
 City Clerk