Vancouver will soon vote on $21,000 of debentures for fire engine, improvements - October 7, 1886

A By-Law was passed to hold a vote among the Electors on whether to issue debentures for $6,9000 for a steam fire engine and another for $14,100 for city improvements. The City of Vancouver use every legal means possible to obtain rights for wharfs and docks along the City Front.

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The Council met on Thursday October 7th 1886 at 3 o'clock, P.M.

Present His Worship the Mayor presiding, Aldermen Balfour, Dunn, Humphries, E.P. Hamilton, L.A. Hamilton and Northcott.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

A By-law to raise by way of Loan $14100 to be applied to the permanent improvement of the City of Vancouver was read a first and second time, after which the Council went into Committee of the whole on motion of Alderman L.A. Hamilton seconded by Alderman Balfour with Alderman Dunn in the Chair.

In Committee the By-Law was numbered 12 and read over Clause by Clause after which the committee rose to report, and asked leave to sit again.

A By-Law to authorize the issue of $6900 debentures in payment of the price of a Steam fire engine, hose and hose reels was read a first and second time after which the Council went into Committee of the whole with Alderman Dunn in the Chair.

In Committee the By-Law was numbered 13 and read over Clause by Clause after which the Committee rose to report and asked leave to sit again. A By-Law to fix the polling place, the time and appoint the Returning officer for taking the vote of the Electors on the By-Law to issue debentures for $6900 and a By-Law to issue debentures for $14100 was read for a first and second time after which the Council went into Committee of the whole with Alderman Balfour in the Chair.

In Committee the By-Law was numbered 14 and read over Clause by Clause after which the Committee rose to report.

Moved by Alderman Balfour seconded by Alderman Dunn that By-law No 14 be now read a third time. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Dunn seconded by Alderman Northcott that By-Law No 14 be engrossed signed and sealed by the Mayor and Clerk and a Copy sent to the British Columbia Gazette for publication. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Humphries seconded by Alderman Dunn
Whereas it is supposed by many citizens of the City of Vancouver that there are certain valuable rights for wharfs Docks &c along the City front not yet disposed of by the Government or Governments or Individual owners to the Canada Pacific Railway Company
Now therefore be it resolved by the Council of said City of Vancouver that the Mayor and Clerk of said City be instructed and empowered to use every means necessary and proper to be used legally for the procurement of any and all such rights that have not already been disposed of to the said Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the sole use and benefit of the said City of Vancouver.
Be it also further resolved by the said Council that the Mayor and Clerk be instructed and requested to furnish the said Council with a Copy of what is said to be a grant concerning certain rights and privileges to one Daniel Oppenheimer for Wharf privileges and the rise of the North End of Carrall Street as represented in a Certificate of Incorporation published in the British Columbia Gazette of September 23rd 1886.

On a division on this motion
the following voted yea.
Aldermen Dunn, E.P. Hamilton, L.A. Hamilton, and Humphries.
Nays. Alderman Balfour.
Alderman Northcott did not vote.
Motion declared carried.

Council then adjourned to meet again on Monday Oct 11th at the normal hour.

M.A. MacLean
Mayor

Thos. F. McGuigan
City Clerk.