

King Fung demands his opium back - December 11, 1888

Communication from John Boulton asking for return of \$20.00 worth of opium seized by the police from his client King Fung. Referred to City Solicitor. Sub-committee established to review of Charter of Incorporation. Hotel Vancouver manager claims damages to his vehicles due to the poor condition of nearby streets.

This transcript was made in 2014 by Transcribimus volunteer Margaret Sutherland

and sponsored by **The Oppenheimer Group**

[original handwritten minutes here](#)

City of Vancouver Archives
Series 23-A Volume 2 pages 591-597

[volume 2 page 591]

Vancouver Dec 11th 1888

The Council met on Tuesday December 11th 1888 at 7:30 P. M.

Present His Worship Mayor Oppenheimer, Aldermen Alexander, Brighthouse, Clark, Coldwell, Dougall, McConnell and Oppenheimer.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From E. M. Mathews, Manager of the Hotel Vancouver, complaining of the condition of the streets in the vicinity of the Hotel and laying claim for damages to his vehicles. Referred to City Solicitor.

From E. McKendry et al requesting that the lane in Block 42, District Lot 196 be graded. Referred to the Board of Works.

From John Boulton asking for return of \$20.00 worth of opium seized by the police from his client King Fung. Referred to City Solicitor.

From John M. Browning, Commissioner asking permission to connect with the Sewers in order to drain the cellars of the New Yard Block and other buildings on Granville Street. Referred to Board of Works.

[volume 2 page 592]

From Hon F. G. Vernon Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works sending plan of Hastings Park. Filed.

From A. Gobeil and W. W. Le Seur acknowledging receipt of communications re Post Office and Custom House Sites. Filed.

From E. M. Mathews in reference to claim made by F. W. & L. Committee for coal burnt by engine while pumping water for Hotel Vancouver. Referred to F. W. & L. Committee.

From John Boulton on behalf of A. E. McCartney making a claim for commissions for drawing plans of City Hall and Morgue. Referred to Board of Works.

From James Moran claiming ten days salary for services as Teamster. Referred to F. W. & L. Committee.

From John P. Lawson CE. Giving report on progress of Water Works. Filed.

From A. T. McNab et al praying that the lane in Block 13, 196 be planked. Referred to Board of Works.

[volume 2 page 593]

The following accounts were read and referred to their proper committees:

M. Goldstein \$8.05

Crowder and Penzer 21.00

F. X. Martin 8.50

do 9.50

Telephone Co 8.00

Telegraph Co .25

Palmer Bros. 1.00

Wm. Murphy 195.00

Thomson Bros. 40.60

do 5.00

Telephone Co. 50.00

do 16.00

do 14.25

Jacob Sehl & Co 20.50

Henry Avison 60.00

F. X. Martin 48.80

do 43.24

Crowder & Penzer 55.55

C. M. Hawley 6.50

Tattersalls Stables 2.50

News Advertiser 101.50

Vancouver Transfer Co 1.00

Berry & Co .50

Charles Nelson 3.00

Charles Nelson 27.63

E. S. Scoullar & Co. 2.00

do 40.50

McDowell & Co 6.75

Godfrey & Co 29.19

John Scuitto 27.53

Veysey & Creelman 3.25

S. T. Tilley 44.90

F. W. Hart 4.25

Hayes & McIntosh 41.34

[volume 2 page 594]

Royal City Planing Mills Co. 79.64

Campbell & Martin 16.50

John P. Lawson 25.00

Wright & Williams 5.55

J. J. Tierney .50

Frank Wiss 60.37

F. M. Blomquist 14.50

J. H. Carlisle 2.50

VanVolkenburgh & Bro 14.10

C. P. Tel. Co .60

R. T. Williams 30.00

W. C. Marshall 5.00

Woodworth & Co 60.00

H. Arkell 20.50

Daily World 12.00

C. P. R. Co .35

T. W. Haywood 4.00

Reports

Works No 42

The Board of Works met on Friday December 7th 1888 and beg to recommend.

1. That a Coal and Wood shed be erected in the rear of the City Hall and the yard fenced in if there are funds sufficient for the purpose.
2. That tenders be again called for filling in Dupont Street between Carrall Street and Columbia Avenue, Hugh McDonald having failed to comply with his tender for said work.
3. That the City Engineer notify the Water Works Co. to fill up certain

[volume 2 page 595]

holes in the streets and made other repairs necessary for safety particularly at the corner of Pender and Granville Streets and at the corner of Cambie and Hastings Streets and that said repairs be made at once otherwise the City will be compelled to attend to it.

4. That tenders be called for the grading of Powell Street from Campbell Avenue to opposite the Smelting Works and that the City Engineer examine and report upon the extension of Hastings Street from Campbell Avenue to the Park.

5. That the City Engineer clear the right of Way on Powell Street between Campbell Avenue and Boundary Avenue and have a good culvert put down across Powell Street in the low lands also that the Street in front of the Burrard House be repaired.

6. That the following accounts be paid:

Moodyville Saw Mill Co. Lumber \$193.02

James Stanford Extras on City Hall 177.50

do do 20.50

do False Creek School 339.10

W. H. Whistock, Boxing in Trees 13.75

W. H. L. Wilson, do 32.50

Mallandine & Samson Commissions 30.02

H. Connacher, Seventh Av. 31.94

DL. Gow, Planking Lanes 875.51

Keefer & McGillivray, Bridge 5040.00

Alfred Bunker, Howe Street 375.84

Goodmurphy & McLellan 9th Av. 442.49

Sgd., C. A. Coldwell, Chairman

[volume 2 page 596]

Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded by Alderman Oppenheimer. That the report of the Board of Works be adopted. Carried.

Motions

Moved by Alderman McConnell seconded by Alderman Brighthouse. That the City Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works requesting the Government to repair the Road from the City Boundary to the Cemetery. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Oppenheimer seconded by Alderman Coldwell. That His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Alexander and Clark, Alderman elect Salsbury and Whetham, Messrs E. I. Bodwell, Thos. Dunn, John Boulton, A. St. G. Hammersley and the City Solicitor be and the same are hereby appointed

a Committee with power to add to their numbers to revise the Charter of Incorporation and prepare the necessary amendments to same for Submission to the Provincial Legislature at its next session. Carried.

[volume 2 page 597]

Consideration of By-Laws

Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded by Alderman McConnell. That the Council go into Committee of the Whole on the By-Law to amend By-Laws Nos. 5 & 36, known as the Liquor License By-Laws. Carried.

Alderman Alexander was called to the Chair, when the By-Law was read over clause by clause and reported to Council as complete with amendments.

Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded by Alderman Oppenheimer. That the By-Law be read a third time and signed and sealed by the Mayor and City Clerk and be engrossed and printed in the Gazette. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

D. Oppenheimer, Mayor

Thos. F. McGuigan, City Clerk