

John Devine resigns as City Auditor - November 11, 1889

\$7,000 in total granted for public works to streets and sidewalks; projects grouped according to city ward. John Devine resigns as city auditor. Date, time and place for election of 1890 Mayor and Council determined.

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Vancouver Nov 11th 1889

The Council met on Monday November 11th 1889 at 8 P. M.

Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Brighthouse, Clark, Costello, Horne, Mason, Oppenheimer and Whetham & McConnell.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From F. C. Stover asking for a further extension of time for the erection of the Fire Alarm. Filed.

From J. J. Blake advising Council that Thos. Andrews was entitled to half the money for fine under the Indian Act. Referred to Finance Committee.

From J. M. Stewart asking settlement from the Council. Referred to City Solicitor & Finance.

From Rev. James W. Pedley asking that a sidewalk be erected in the Vicinity of his new church. Referred to Board of Works.

From Andrew J. Whitenack asking that Hastings Street in front of Lots 5 & 6 Block 66 Subdivision of 196 be graded. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Devine resigning his position as City Auditor. Laid over.

From the City Clerk reporting on the

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Cemetery. Referred to Finance Committee.

From John Breuss & Co et al asking to be allowed certain privileges in connection with their Sausage business. Referred to Police Committee.

From F. W. Hart asking that road to cemetery be repaired. Referred to the Board of Works.

From James D. Fraser asking for a return of his gravel deposit. Referred to Finance Committee.

From E. J. Curran et al asking that Westminster Road to the Junction of North Arm Road be sidewalked. Referred to the Board of Works.

## Reports

### Health No 13

The Board of Health met on Monday November 11th 1889.

Present Aldermen Whetham, Costello and Mason.

We beg to recommend:

1. That the pump at the City Hospital be given to the Caretaker at the Cemetery.
2. That the following accounts be paid:

McDonald & Barton, Hospital fixtures \$65.57

Alex McDonald, Labor .75

Vancouver Wharfage Co. Rent 15.00

John Scuitto, Supplies 134.20

Vancouver Gas Co. 2.25

P. Withy, Milk 133.00

R. L. Comich, Supplies 12.10

VanVolkenburgh & Bro. Meat 48.84

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Texas Lake Ice Co. \$12.25

Sorenson & Co. Medicines 38.85

Palmer Bros. Coal 16.50

John Wolfe, Scavenging 20.00

Hudson's Bay Co. Supplies 9.25

Sgd. M. Costello for Chairman

Moved by Alderman Oppenheimer, seconded by Alderman Brighthouse. That the Report of the Board of Health be adopted. Carried.

### No 30 Finance

The Finance Committee met on Monday November 11th 1889.

Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Whetham, Clark, Costello and Mason, Aldermen Clark being appointed Chairman protem.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

Lord Stanley Reception Accounts \$2,439.96

The World P & P Co. 83.39

M. A. Harvey, Buggy hire 10.00

Joseph Urb, Chimney Cleaning 1.00

Palmer Bros. Coal 49.50

Carbould, McColl & Jenns 104.09

Carswell & Co. law Books 8.78

H. Hemlow 20.00

Thos. Stephenson, Work on Park 345.00

Dr. Bodington, Evidence on D. Kennedy 10.00

Van Free Library, Grant for July 65.00

That the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be instructed to furnish the Council with a detailed statement of said fund and the manner in which it is invested.

That the Board of Works

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to be devoted towards street improvements as per list furnished and dated Oct 22.

That the Report of the F. W. & L. Committee recommending the purchase of a team of horses and the Board of Works Report recommending the purchase of a fountain be laid over for one week.

Sgd. R. Clark, Chairman pro tem.

Moved by Alderman Costello, seconded by Alderman Mason. That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried.

Works No 31

The Board of Works met on Monday November 11th 1889. Present Aldermen Brighthouse, Horne & McConnell.

We beg to recommend:

1. That the following accounts be paid:

P. Atkinson et al Street Work \$132.90

McDonald & Barton, Granville St. 154.14

Boyd & Clandenning, Robson St. 793.85

A. D. McDonald, Dunsmuir St. 50.54

Martin & Balkwell, Homer St. 130.30

do Hamilton St. 126.00

A. Bunker, Princess St. 103.48

D. J. McDonald, Westminster Av. 283.22

McDonald & Barton, Nelson St. 184.54

A. Bunker, Hornby St. 292.50

James Ironside, Burrard St 116.20

D. J. McDonald, Prior St 238.89  
A. D. McDonald, Robson St. 251.10  
McDonald & Barton, Powell St. 164.20  
Don McAlister, Pacific St 56.43  
Martin & Balkwell, 12th Av. 116.76  
J. H. Wilson, Trees 96.99

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2. That the North Arm Road South of Granville Street Bridge within the City Limits be repaired and gravelled provided the C. P. R. Co. pays half the cost thereof.  
Sgd. G. S. McConnell

The following works were adopted by Council and included in the Board of Works Report on motion of Alderman Horne, seconded by Alderman McConnell.

Richard St. 6' sidewalk from Robson to Georgia  
Gravel Crossing Homer to Hastings  
Gravel Crossing Richard & Hastings  
Gravel Crossing Seymour & Hastings  
Gravel Crossing Howe & Hastings  
Gravel Crossing Bank of BC  
Seaton St. 3' sidewalk on South Side Burrard to Webster's and two crossings  
Pender St. 8' sidewalk South Side from Burrard to Howe & continue old sidewalk on Pender.  
Burrard St, Gravel Pender to Eveleigh  
Seymour St. Old Granville St. sidewalk put between Davie & Drake on West side.  
Melville St. 2 ft. sidewalk & crossings  
Burrard & Georgia Gravel crossings  
Nelson St 2 ft. sidewalk & crossings  
Georgia St 8' sidewalk Granville to Rich  
Granville St. 10' sidewalk South 367 ft. & crossings  
Barclay St 3' sidewalk Burrard to Bute South Side also One Block & Crossing on North Side.  
Burrard St. 10' sidewalk from Georgia to School  
Haro St. 2 plank sidewalk  
Helmcken St. Grade Rich to Gran 20 ft. wide  
Burrard & Dunsmuir, Box drains  
Homer & Cordova Crossings  
Robson, Grade full width one block  
Granville 1000 feet sidewalk

to which add \$34.00 for sidewalk  
Total \$3,454

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Ward 2  
Lanes Blocks 34, 35, 36 & 57 in 541  
Hastings St. Gravel Cambie to Abbott  
Water St Gravel & Repair Abbott to Junction

Homer St. 2 plank walk  
Recreation ground fence  
Homer St. crossings at North end crossing Cordova St.  
Total \$1,109

Ward 3  
Lane in Block 43, 196  
Columbia Gravel Oppenheimer to Hastings  
Lane in Block 9, Grade E & W  
Block 52, Lower Sidewalk  
Total \$550

Ward 4  
Lane Block 15, Dupont to Keefer, grade  
Lane Block 4, Remove Stumps  
Lane Block 72, Grade  
Lane Block 11, 70, 71 plank 100 ft.  
Prior St Drain plank & c to Gore  
Keefer St. 3' sidewalk West to Jackson South Side one block on North side  
Jackson 6' Walk Princess St North  
Columbia Av gravel Hastings to Dupont  
Hastings & Dunlevy Av crossings  
Hastings Road Repaired  
Total \$1,050.00

Ward 5  
Lansdowne Grade Westminster to Scotia  
13th Av. Brushed out  
11th Av. Brushed out  
10th Av. Grade to Westminster Road  
Quebec Grade to 13th to 15th  
Quebec sidewalk  
Total \$648.00

Finance granted \$7,000.00 to cover above work.

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Moved by Alderman Horne, seconded by Alderman McConnell. That the report of the Board of Works be adopted. Carried.

By-Laws

Moved by Alderman Brighthouse, seconded by Alderman Clark. That a By-Law be introduced to fix time and polling places and appoint Deputy Returning Officers for holding an election for Mayor and Alderman for the year 1890 and read a first time. Carried.

By-Law read a second time on motion of Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Horne.  
The Council then went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Clark in the Chair.

In Committee the By-Law was read over clause by clause and reported back to Council as complete with amendments. The By-Law was then read a third time and ordered to be signed, sealed and gazetted.

#### Motions

Moved by Alderman Clark, seconded by Alderman Horne. That the Auditor's Reports and the By-Law appointing him be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

Moved by Alderman McConnell, seconded by Alderman Horne. That the City Engineer be instructed to have part of the lane in Block Six, District Lot 196 planked with old plank. Carried.

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Moved by Alderman McConnell, seconded by Alderman Costello. That His Worship appoint two Aldermen on the Police Committee to act in place of Aldermen Horne and Salsbury. Carried.  
His Worship appointed Aldermen Costello and Whetham.

The Council then adjourned.

D. Oppenheimer, Mayor  
Thos. F. McGuigan, City Clerk