

Additional quarantine buildings needed within the week – August 8, 1892

Vancouver quarantine hospital upgrade to include a kitchen and nurses' quarters, and an observation facility, plus a well and a brick-lined cesspit.

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Vancouver August 8th 1892

The Council met on Monday August 8th 1892

Present: His Worship, the Mayor and Aldermen Anderson, Connon, Collins, Scoullar, McGuigan,
McCraney, Odlum, Franklin, Mills and Gavin

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The following Communications were received and read:

From C. Cawker asking for compensation for the loss of sprinkler contract
Filed

From R.K. Winters drawing attention to the fact that the lane between Hastings and Dupont
Streets remained unfinished and also drawing attention to the actions of the City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Odlum

Seconded by Alderman McGuigan

That the first part of the communication be referred to the Board of Works.

Moved by Alderman Odlum

Seconded by Alderman McGuigan

That the Communication be filed.

Carried

From G.L. Craig, stating that the City Scavenger was neglecting him

Moved by Alderman Gavin

Seconded by Alderman Odlum

That the matter be referred to the Board of Health with power to act

Carried

From J.C. Douglas et al asking for the opening up and sidewalking of Dufferin Street between Blocks 86
& 93, 26 & A

Referred to the Board of Works

From the Temperance Organizations protecting against the proposed change in the Sunday closing By-Law
Filed

From Ada Lao protesting against the city connecting with her water pipe on Hastings Street
Referred to the F. W. & L. Committee.

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From Thwaite & Co, stating that a mistake had been made in recommending the opening up of Powell Street as is was ascertained that the street was not Powell Street
Referred to the Board of Works

From R.D. Pitt asking for a grant from Council in consideration of having lost a leg in the City service.
Referred to the Finance Committee

From J.M. Browning asking for permission to erect an awning in front of the Opera House
Referred to the Board of Works

From Crowder & Penzer asking the City to remove a large stump fenced on their lot by the Street contractors.
Referred to teh Board of Works

From W.H. Mason et al asking the City to open up 10th Av. east of Prince Edward Street
Referred to the Board of Works

From E.A. Jenns on behalf of A. Calori claiming \$2500.00 for damages for quarantining the European Hotel
Referred to Finance Committee & City Solicitor

From Wm. Lindelman claiming that the water backup up on his lots on Powell Street
Referred to the Board of Works

From John McHardy & A.D. McDonald applying for the position of Street Inspector
Referred to the Board of Works

From the Chief of Police reporting on the Electric lights
Filed

From Corbould, McCall & Campbell serving an injunction on the City preventing the payment of an account of \$400.00 to the U.S.S. Co
Referred to the City Solicitor

The following Reports were received and read
Board of Works

The Board of Works met on Thursday August 4th 1892
Present; Aldermen McCraney, Connon, Scoullar, Franklin and Gavin

It was recommended:

1. That F.H. Hewitt be informed that he will be supplied with the grades of 8th Av as soon as the levels are taken and a profile prepared
2. That C.O Wickenden, Architect be allowed to carry

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a soil drain from the New Bank of Montreal building down Granville Street to connect with the sewer at or adjoining the manhole where the lane runs immediately North of Dunsmuir Street crosses Granville Street, subject to the direction of the City Engineer.

3. That the City Engineer be authorized to take what steps he may deem necessary to abate the nuisance complained of as existing at the foreshore Edwards Block, Abbott and Water Streets.

4. That the City Barbers be notified to remove their poles on West Cordova and Carroll Streets in accordance with Clause 13, of By-Law No 14 [unreadable], for the regulating of streets and sidewalks and that the Chief of Police be requested to see that same is carried into effect.

5. In reference to H. Abbot's communication of July 21st regarding the proposed change of location of the C.P.R. freight sheds and the grading of Abbott Street and part of Dunsmuir Street to give access to same be it resolved that on condition that the C.P.R. Co. throw in the property enclosed within the proposed extension of said streets as taxable property and allow the City to close up the piece of Street in front of the old hospital building from Cambie to Beatty Streets and in addition open up Pender Street through to Carrall Street, the City will give \$500.00 towards and grant permission for the grading by the railroad company of the streets asked for and shown on the plan submitted by the Company.

6. That the grade of Hastings Street from Carrall to Homer be changed according to the profile prepared by the City Engineer.

7. That tenders be invited for the following receivable up to Friday August 12th at 10 a.m.

- (a) For street sprinkling
- (b) For building as small house at the Crematory
- (c) For clearing about 400 ft of Gravely Street, south side of Block 54, 264A.

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8. That the following tender be accepted:

E.C. Britton, Sophia St 3 plank sidewalk

9. That the following accounts be paid:

John Currel, Sharpening Saws	\$19.50
Unreadable Hardware Sore, supplies	17.95
E. Cook, Rent of wharf	25.00
P. Gordon, 5th Av	22.00
S.T. Tilley & Son supplies	40.65

Godfrey & co	supplies	16.33
Van Elec Rwy Co	tickets	10.00
The. M. Thomas	Alberni Street	180.00
E.E. Britton	6th Av	302.72
The. M. Thomas	Lanes 16 & 72,196	179.10
J. Hartning	9th Av	293.39
Boyd & Clandening	Jockey Club Track	1800.00
M. McIntyre	5th Av	235.56
W.H. Fraser	Hospital	400.00
Hobson Brd.	8th Av	784.02
Geo F. Ronnesfell	7th Av	990.00
The. M Thomas	Princess St	520.00
H.Lomas et al	Labor	

Sgd.H.P. McCraney

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Gavin

Seconded by Alderman Anderson

That the Report be adopted,

Carried

Finance Report

The Finance Committee met on Friday August 5th 1892

Present: Aldermen Anderson, Collins and Odlum

It was recommended:

1. That H.T Ceperley be authorized to renew the Insurance on Fire Hall No.2 for 3 years to the amount of \$1500.00

2. That the Fire Hall, Mount Pleasant be insured for 3 years to the amount of \$1500.00 and Messrs. Mellon & Smith receive \$750.00 of the amount and J.W. MacFarland \$750.00

3. That the School Trustees be granted another \$10,000.00

4. That the following accounts be paid:

Emma Redgraves, Services in Pest House

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S.T. Tilley & Son	Supplies	\$ 22.25
C.P. Telegraph Co.	Telephone	109.92

Sgd. R.A. Anderson

Chairman

Moved by Alderman McCraney

Seconded by Alderman Odlum

That be Report be adopted

Carried

F.W. & H. Committee

The F.W. & H Committee met on Wednesday August 3rd 1892

Present :Aldermen Franklin, Connon and Mills

It was remmended:

That the following accounts be paid:

Bell-Irving & Paterson	Supplies	\$ 106.68
Tye & Co,	Supplies	6.25
I Forbes	Horse Shoeing	2.00
S.T. Tilley & Son	Supplies	1.25
Chas Nelson	Supplies	6.50
ThF McGuigan	Duty paid	.75
Atkins & Atkins	Supplies	2.22
Connor & Glennon	Supplies	15.48
C. Cocking	Supplies	1.25
Engineering News	Book	3.00
Van Elec Ry & Co	Supplies	57.84
Moodyville Saw Mill Co	Supplies	3.82
B.C.W. T & Co	Supplies	7.15
Hastings Saw Mill Co	Supplies	6.00
McLennan & McFeely	Supplies	7.80
W.A. McIntosh	Supplies	4.00
ThRDunn & Co	Supplies	126.61
Devine & Co	Supplies	6.23
MSRose	Supplies	3.15
R Lellewyn	Diving gear	6.50
W.Hooper et al	Labor	215.10
Devine & Co	Supplies	88.86
Creamer & Langley	Supplies	12.61
B.C.M. T & T Co	Watering tank	39.50

2. That A.G. Evans be informed that he will be relieved from duty as fireman after the 9th inst.

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3. That the resignation of Geo Herderson as Call man be accepted to date from the 1st inst.

4. That Thorpe & Co be supplied with water through a connection to be made with Chas Doering's pipe water to be measured by meter

5. That the City Engineer be instructed to get prices for the lead pipe required

6. That the City Accountant be instructed to have the signature of the City Engineer to all accounts for works or supplies in his department

7. That a weeks' vacation be given to each fireman in turn, arrangements to be made by the Chief

Sgd. J.L. Franklin

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Mills

Seconded by Alderman Franklin

That the Report be adopted

Carried

Health Committee

The Health Committee met on Tuesday August 2nd 1892
Present: Aldermen McGuigan, Anderson, Collins and Odlum

It was recommended:

1. That the City Engineer be instructed to have quarters be erected on the Crematory grounds at a cost not to exceed the amount provided in the Estimates
2. That tenders be invited for furnishing hair mattresses for the hospital & sample of hair to be accompanied each tender
3. That Dr. Herald be notified to dispense with the services of Dr. Wilson, as the smallpox has now been got under control and that said Dr. Herald's services be retained until further arrangements are made with him, such services to be paid for at the rate of \$10.00 per day

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That the following accounts be paid:

H.H. Hayfield & Co	Supplies	\$9.50
Davidson & Co	Repairs	6.00
Ideal Grocery	Supplies	38.44
Robert Clark	Supplies	112.00
F.W. Hart	Burials	28.25
WT Cook	Supplies	11.40
J.C. Douglas	Supplies	4.80
Devine & Co	Supplies	2.90
Wm Ralph	Supplies	20.60
The Spa	Supplies	71.80
Palmer Bros.	Supplies	60.52
Hudson's Bay Co	Supplies	9.52
T. Gale	Repairs	2.50
H.W. Walden	Repairs	7.20
Thos Fowler	Repairs	2.90
Wm Fowler	Repairs	16.90
R.T. Winch	Supplies	21.44
B.C. District Telegraphic Service	Messenger	.60
Phibbs, Thomson & Co	Supplies	4.24
E.M. McDonough	Supplies	119.50
J. Illingsworth	Supplies	4.50
Brunette Saw Mill Co	Supplies	24.84
J.P. Blake	Supplies	23.00
Tyson & Co	Supplies	27.20
Hudson's Bay Co	Supplies	15.25
B.C. District Telegraph Service	Messenger	1.25
John Clough	Horse & Buggy	140.00
Hudson's Bay Co	Supplies	33.47
- Lifaelt	Supplies	52.50
Union S.S. Co	Steamer to Victoria	400.00
John McDowell	Supplies	1.50
Champion & White	Scavengering	28.25
F.W. Hart	Supplies	539.65
G.H. Allan	Supplies	2.50

Sgd
W.J. McGuigan
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Scoullar
Seconded by Alderman Odlum
That the Report be adopted. Carried

Introduction of By-Laws

Moved by Alderman Anderson
Seconded by Alderman McGuigan
That a By-Law be introduced to enable the City to grant a bonus of \$300,000 in aid of the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company
Carried

The By-Law was introduced and read a first time

Moved by Alderman Odlum
Seconded by Alderman McCraney
That the further consideration of this By-Law be deferred until Wednesday August the 10th at 7:30 P.M. to be then considered by the Whole Council and that the Promoters be asked to be present.
Carried

Moved by Alderman McGuigan
Seconded by Alderman Connon
That a By-Law be introduced and ready a first time, amending By-Law 144 of the City of Vancouver
Moved in Amendment by Alderman Collins
Seconded by Alderman Mills
That this By-Law be read 6 month's hence
Amendment Carried

Motions

Moved by Alderman Scoullar
Seconded by Alderman Anderson
That outside Smallpox patients be not allowed to be brought to into the City limits.
Carried

Moved by Alderman McGuigan
Seconded by Alderman Anderson
That the City Engineer and City Solicitor be and they are instructed to take the measures necessary for the removal of an obstruction now placed upon a bridge on the gazetted public road near Keppler's Brewery in this city and that said measures for the removal of said structures be taken forthwith as an accident is likely to happen by reason for said obstruction at any moment.
Motion Withdrawn

Moved by Alderman McGuigan

Seconded by Alderman Odium

That the thanks of this Council be extended to Sergeant Emma Redgraves of the Rescue House for her services as nurse in connection with smallpox cases in this City, said services on her part having been freely and voluntarily given and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded her by the City Clerk

Carried

Moved by Alderman McGuigan

Seconded by Alderman Odium

That the City Engineer be and is hereby instructed forthwith to erect two other buildings upon Isolation Hospital site in accordance with plan agreed upon, one building to be used for observation purposes, the other for quarters for nurses and kitchen.

These buildings to be completed within 7 days from commencement of same so that if an emergency should arise they can be used for the purpose intended.

Also that he be instructed to have a good well dug on the premises at once on the upper side of the buildings erected and that a brick lined cess pit for the treatment of drainage from said buildings be built on the lower side of buildings

Referred to Health Committee with power to act.

Moved by Alderman McCraney

Seconded by Alderman Collins

That a Committee Consisting of His Worship and Alderman Anderson & Odium with the mover and seconder be appointed to draft a memorial for presentation to the Hon. McKenzie Bowell and General Herbert on their forthcoming visit to this City in reference to militia fortifications and other matter and that the Board of Trade be asked to co-operate.

Carried

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The Board adjourned until Wednesday at 7:20P.M.

F.Cope

Mayor

Thos. F. McGuigan

City Clerk