

Projected new oil warehouse alarms neighbours - Feb 15, 1892

Letter received from R.D. Pith thanking Council for giving him an artificial leg. Condition of city street lights is a problem. The Vancouver Electric Railway & Light Co. "urged to erect all lights that they had been notified to purchase last year". \$34.70 to be paid to the City of Victoria "for the keep of the leper". Oppenheimer Brothers protest against the Standard Oil Co.'s potential oil warehouse on Block 7.196.

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Vancouver Feb 15th 1892

The Council met on Monday February 15th 1892.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The following communications were received and read :-

From J. M. Lefevre stating that he was unable to furnish a copy of Bill he instead is presenting to the Legislature regarding certain powers required on Capilano River as it was not yet drafted.

Moved by Alderman Anderson

Secondly by Alderman Collins

That the petitions passed at last meeting of Council in reference to this matter be held over for one week.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Franklin

Seconded by Alderman Odlum.

That the petitions be forwarded at once.

Carried

From J.C. McLagan asking for an investigation into the City Printing and Advertising.

Moved by Alderman Odlum

Seconded by Alderman Collins

That the communication be filed.

Carried.

From Archie Robinson et al [sic] asking for the grading of Keefer, Harris and Raymond Streets.

Referred to Board of Works.

From Duncan McRae asking for permission

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To begin work on the Market sheds.

Referred to Finance Committee

From R.D. Pith thanking the Council for giving him an artificial leg.

Filed.

From E. Nicolls forwarding resolution of a public meeting re tenders

Filed.

From M.H. Hirschberg, City Clerk of North Vancouver asking for Council to cooperate with them in building a road up the Capilano.

Referred to F.W. & L. & City Solicitor

From the President of the Vancouver Water Works Co acknowledging receipt of communication re payment for words and property by the City.

Filed

From D.A. Macpherson Secty of the Department of Public Works acknowledging receipt of letter re bathing houses on English Bay and stating that the Consent of the property owners would have to be obtained.

Referred to the Board of Works

F.H. Mills et al petitioning for the removal of the Slaughter Houses.

Referred to the Board of Health.

From Miss Bowes asking for the Market Hall at the reduced rates.

Referred to the Market & Police

From the Market Clerk furnishing weekly Report:

Filed

From the Health Inspector stating that he had visited the Slaughter houses on two occasions and found very little smell.

Filed

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From W.H. Duval of the underwriters association stating that the Insurance would not be increased by the presence of an oil warehouse if the oil were stored in the original packages and 25 per cent extra if stored in tanks.

Filed

From W.D. Durdis on behalf of John B. Pike stating that the Bill was not yet drafted.

Filed

From Oppenheimer Bros. et al protesting against the erection of an oil warehouse on Block 7.196

Referred to F.W. & L. Committee

From Chas. Nelson asking for a re-consideration of the drug tenders.

Moved by Alderman Collins

Seconded by Alderman Mills

That the communication be filed.

Carried.

From W.J. Rawlings et al asking for the opening up of Powell Street to the eastern boundary.

Referred to Board of Works

From W.S. Westcott et al asking for the grading and sidewalking of 5th Av from Centre Street East:

Referred to the Board of Works.

From the Chief of Police reporting on the Electric Lights

From F.H. Sankey et al asking for the opening up of the lane in Block 21.196.

Referred to the Board of Works

From L. McLean et al asking for the opening up of 8th Ave two blocks west of Granville St.

Referred to Board of Works

From John Downie et al asking for the opening

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Up of 3rd Av from Centre Street west to Block 229.526.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From J. L. Powell asking for an investigation into the City Printing

Moved by Alderman McGuigan
Seconded by Alderman Anderson

That the Communication be filed.
Carried.

From M.C. McLean asking for the grading of Lansdowne Street about 100 feet east of Westminster Av.

Referred to the Board of Works

From Mary M. Pistinger et all asking for the opening up of Carolina Street and 11th Av.
Referred to the Board of Works

The following Reports were received and read :-
F.W. & L. Reports

The F.W. & L Committee met on Wednesday Feb 10th 1892.
Present: Alderman Connon, McGuigan, Franklin and Mills.

It was recommended:-
1 That the following accounts be paid :-

Van Elec Ry & Light Co. Lights \$1355.44
John Scuitto Supplies \$22.10
Tupper Thomson & Co. Drayage \$7.50
J. Forbes horse shoring \$4.00
G.H. Bazley \$2.50
H.J. Divine & Co Supplies \$18.64
Crowder & Penzer Supplies \$11.39
J.R. Morrow Supplies \$6.00
Godfrey & Co. Supplies \$.30
R.W. Hawley Repairs \$11.10

2 That permission be granted to the Standard
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Oil Co to erect a warehouse for storing oil on Lots 7.8.9.10 & 11 Block 7.196 Subject to the approval of the City Engineer.
The building to be so constructed that the oil cannot flow from it and that no lights by explosive oils such as naphtha benzoline Gasoline or Benzene be stored therein.

3 That the Van Elec Ry & Light Co be communicated with and urged to erect all lights that they had been notified to purchase last year.

4 That application be made to the Indian Department for 10 acres of land on the east side of Capilano River at its mouth to be used for water works purposes.

The communication from Thos H Butler et al re light on Princess Street laid over until estimates are complied.

Sgd J.H. Franklin
Chairman

Moved by Alderman McCraney
Seconded by Alderman Anderson

That Clause 2 be referred back to the Committee so that the opinion of the City Solicitor can be obtained therein for next meeting.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman McCraney.
Seconded by Alderman Connon

That the balance of the Report be adopted.

Carried

Police & Market Report:

The Police Committee met on Wednesday February 10th 1892.
Present Alderman Collins, Connon, Odlum and

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Gavin. It was recommended :-

1 That the communication from Phillip Fewster be filed.

2 That the Express men be allowed to stand on Abbott Street between Hastings Street, and the lane in rear of the Dougall House.

3 That the following accounts be paid:

John Scuitto Supplies \$107.86
G.H. Allan Supplies \$2.50
W.E. Williamson. Drayage \$1.50
H. Eligh Supplies \$1.54
Hayes & McIntosh Supplies \$15.75
J.P. Blake Supplies \$10.85
John McLaren Fares \$ 3.00

D. McLeod Drayage .50
Champion & White Scavenging .75
Daily Telegraph Printing \$7.50
Thos Dunn & Co. Supplies \$1.85
Palmer Bros. Supplies \$19.00

sgd Henry Collins
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Odlum
Seconded by Alderman Connon
That the Report be adopted as read.
Carried.

Report of the Board of Works

The Board of Works met on Thursday February 11th 1892.
Present Alderman McCraney, Connon, Gavin and Franklin

It was recommended :-

1 That Thos. H. Condell's request be granted as petitioned four are provided he conforms to that By-Laws governing the same.

2 that Mr. Jendron be granted permission two put in a bay window on the first floor over his hardware store on Westminster Avenue opposite the Market Hall said bay windows
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not to project more than 24 inches.

3 that tenders be called for the plank and the rest lumber required during the year and also for the nails.

4 that the resolution passed by a former council granting 50 cts a foot to private parties for constructing sidewalks be rescinded.

5 That the following tenders be invited:

(a) Grading lanes in Blocks 6.7.19.20.21 & 32 in 185 and Blocks 86.90 & 91 in 196.

(b) Grading Lansdowne St from Quebec to Scotia Street;

(c) 6 ft sidewalk on Homer Street from Georgia to Robson.

(d) 6 ft sidewalk on Thurlow St from Seaton to Pendrell

(e) 3 plank sidewalks on 7th Av from the east end of the present sidewalk to the buildings

6 That the following accounts be paid

Th. Dunn & Co. Supplies 17.65
McLennan & McFeely Supplies 9.00
Godfrey & Co. Supplies 23.75
E. Cook Renting Wharf 25.00
B.C. Mills Lumber 160.57

J. Telford Drain 52.00
Rand Bros Sidewalk 31.33
Wm Tierney Earth 62.45
Boyd & C Cordova St 51.17
W. McDonald Repairs 10.70
H Lomas et al Labor 260.15

7 That the sidewalk on Keefer Street be extended from Heatley Av east on the north side after the street is graded.

sgd H.P. McCraney
Chairman

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Moved by Alderman McCraney
Seconded by Alderman Franklin
that the Report be adopted

Carried

Finance Report

The Finance Committee met on Friday Feb 12, 1892.
Present Alderman Anderson. Collins. McGuigan, Odlum and Mills

It was recommended: -

1 That the following accounts be paid :-
City Printing Words . Stationary \$5.00
H. Thurlow Assessing 6.00
Dominion Express Co. .50
Connor & Glennon. Alexandra Hospital 200.00
John Boulton for F. R. Brown. Law costs 15.00

2 That D.J. McLean and A.E. Lees be accepted as bondsmen for Wm Sutherland.

3 That the Communication from Park Commissioners be laid over until the Estimates are compiled.

4 That the Communication from C. W. Murray be laid over for one week.

sgd R.A. Anderson
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Collins
Seconded by Alderman Connon

That the Report be adopted
Carried

Health Report

The Health Committee met on Wednesday February 10th 1892.
Present Aldermen McGuigan, Anderson, Collins, Odlum and Gavin.

It was recommended :-

1 That the following accounts be paid: -
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Godfrey & Co. Supplies \$4.25
J.R. Morrow Supplies 119.82

2 That the City Engineer be instructed to call for tenders for plumbing the addition to the City Hospital.

3 That Aldermen Odlum & McGuigan be appointed a Committee to select beds for the Hospital addition and report.

4 That Miss Swan be instructed to buy drugs in solid quantities instead of in the liquid state where possible and where the drugs need preparation that she call in the assistance of the Medical Board.

sgd W.J. McGuigan
Chairman

Moved by Alderman McGuigan
Seconded by Alderman Franklin

That the Report be adopted

Carried

Motions

Moved by Alderman Collins
Seconded by Alderman Franklin

That the resolution passed the last meeting of Council in relation to the formation of a Militia Corps be amended to read "Infantry or Rifles with head quarters at Vancouver"

Carried

Moved by Alderman McGuigan
Seconded by Alderman Anderson
That the following account be paid :-

City of Victoria Keep of Leper \$34.70
Carried

Moved by Alderman Connon
Seconded by Alderman Franklin
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That the following accounts be paid: -

Dominion Express Co. Fireman's Hats \$7.00
Customs Duty on Fireman's Hats 13.30

Moved by Alderman Franklin
Seconded by Alderman Gavin

That application be made to the Hon. The Minister of the Interiors for the conveyance of 10 acres of land at the east side of Capilano river on the Burrard Inlet it being in the opinion of the Engineer necessary for the proper protection and carrying on of the works.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Franklin
Seconded by Alderman Gavin

That the Hon the Commissioner of Lands & Works be requested not to issue any patents of land on the banks of the Capilano River, above the Water Works dam pending the transfer of the Works to the City and the report of the Engineer thereon.

Carried

Moved by Alderman McCraney
Seconded by Alderman Connon

That the Board of Works be supplied with the Telegram news-paper instead of the News Advertiser, as the former is now doing the City Advertising; said paper to be kept on file.

Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

F. Cope
Mayor

W.F. McGuigan
City Clerk