

New Local Improvement By-Law Passed- October 3, 1892

"Crushed rock" (gravel) will be used to repair Westminster Avenue (now Main Street) and to surface the basement of the City Market. The Telephone company gives notice that they will have to raise the price for telephone service out to the Cemetery or disconnect the line. (The Cemetery phone was "out of town" at Fraser and 35th.) The floors of the new City hospital to be painted with "antiseptic paint".

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Vancouver July 11th 1892.

The Council met on Monday October 3rd 1892

Present His Worship, the Mayor, and Aldermen Anderson, Collins, Scoullar, McGuigan, McCraney, Franklin, Mills + Gavin.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The following communications were received and read:-

From H. L. Kent, Manager of the Telephone Co. stating that new arrangements would have to be made regarding the line to the Cemetery otherwise it would be abandoned.

Referred to the Finance Committee

From J. Huntly reporting on the expenses in connection with small pox.

Filed

From the City Clerk of Nanaimo, asking Council to cooperate with them in preventing the spread of small pox.

Filed.

From John McLaren reporting on the Electric Lights.

Filed.

From R. MacKay Fripp, asking the City to refund to Dr. Powell the cost of deepening a drain.

Filed

From Lewis. J. Cady asking for a sidewalk on 5th Av.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From Theo. R. Hardiman claiming damages for injury to his child from falling off Cordova Street sidewalk.

Referred to the City Solicitor

From McPhillips + Williams asking what action had been taken in reference to Mrs. Cook's property in 185.

Filed

From Mr Matheson etal asking for a street light on the corner of Robson + Cambie Streets.

Referred to the F. W. + L. Committee.

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From Aldermen Odium, asking for four, week's leave of absence.

Moved by Alderman Gavin

Seconded by " Anderson

That leave be granted.

Carried

From G. B. Thompson etal asking for a sidewalk on Prior Street.

Referred to the Board of Works

From Pemberton + Dumbleton asking what action had been taken on the claim of Louis J. Jenns.

Filed

From Thos Allan, asking for permission cut xirs on the Hasting Park.

Referred to the Park Commissioners

From the City Auditor submitting report for June.

Filed.

From T. B. Hall etal asking for a 6 ft side walk on Keefer Street.

Referred to the Board of Works

From D. Smith etal claiming that liquor was being retailed in the Breweries.

Referred to the License Commission.

From H. T. Ceperley Secy of the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Co. stating that his company had signed the agreement with the Northern Pacific Ry Co and asking that an agreement be prepared and signed by the City, his company and the Northern Pacific.

Moved by Alderman McGuigan

Seconded by " Anderson.

That the Communication be referred to the Finance Committee and City Solicitor to report at next meeting of Council.

Carried

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The following Reports were received and read

F. W. + L. Committee

The F. W. + L. Committee met on Wednesday Sept 28th 1892.

Present Aldermen Franklin, Scoullar, McGuigan and Mills.

It was recommended:-

1. That the following accounts be paid:-

W. Hooper etal. Labor \$183.20

Van Elec Ry + L. Co. Supplies 4.20

J. M. O'Toole " 37.85

Van Gurney Cab Co. Drayage 5.00

B. C. M. T. + T. Co. Suppliers 13.19

B. C. Iron Works Co Repairs 12.71

Tye + Co Supplies .25

Hastings Mill Co. " 6.00

Ideal Grocery " 7.00

Daily Telegram " 25.25

Thos Dunn + Co. " 106.98

D. Brown " 35.00

G. I. Wilson " 7.75

Gutta Percha + Rubber Mfg Co " 139.85

A. Linton Boat hire 28.50
Creamer + Langley Supplies 71.18
Bell-Irving + Paterson “ .60

2. That as the services on the new drains are let be contract that the City Engineer be instructed to cut down the staff of the Department to the smallest possible extent.

3. That the application of Messrs Hall + Brown to lay a water pipe on Nelson Street at their own cost be granted under the superintendency of the City Engineer they to perform all the labor and the pipe to be the property of the applicants.

4. That Alderman Mills and Scoullar and Chief Carlisle be appointed to see that the heating + lighting of Mount Pleasant Fire Hall and report at the next meeting.

sgd. J. L. Franklin
Chairperson.

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Moved by Alderman Gavin
Seconded by “ Mills
That the Report be adopted.
Carried.

Health Committee

The Health Committee met on Friday Sept 30th 1892.
Present Aldermen McGuigan, Anderson and Collins.

It was recommended:-

1. That the floors of the new city hospital be painted with antiseptic paint and that two surgical tables be made by local tradesmen.

2. That the following accounts be paid:

Wilson Herald, treatment of Small pox \$1470.00

John Reed supplies 1.75

W. J. McGuigan inquests 20.00

McLennan + McFeely supplies 36.85

G. R. Gordon “ 33.75

J. Sherlock “ 1.05

B.C. District Telegraph Service 2.50

H. T. Devine + co. Supplies 285.00

F. W. Hart: “ 58.60

Haywood + Abray Meals 5.00

Hayden + Co Boat hire 4.00

Van Carriage Works Shoes set 2.00

Shelton + co. Mattresses 535.00

sgd. W. J. McGuigan

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Collins
Seconded by " McGuigan
That the Report be adopted.
Carried

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday Sept 30th 1892.
Present Aldermen Anderson, Collins, Mills + McGuigan.
It was recommended:-

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1. That the following account be paid:-
W. B. Fisher, Clerical work. \$60.00

2. That the communication from Geo Gagen re the collection of poll taxes from sailors be files as the City has no power to collect from sailors while discharging the cargoes of their ships while in port.

sgd R. A. Anderson
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Gavin
Seconded by " McCraney
That clause two be struck out and the balance of the report adopted.

Carried

Board of Works.

The Board of Works met on Thursday Sept 29th 1892.
Present Aldermen McCraney, Gavin, Franklin and Scoullar.
It was recommended:-

1. That the Street Inspector be instructed to make the land in block 36.541 passable with old planks if possible.

2. That G. W. Fuller be supplied with crushed rock for the Market basement floor at the rate of \$1.75 per yard.

3. That the Street Inspector be instructed to make use of the old plank for the purpose of constructing a sidewalk on Princess Street.

4. That Westminster Avenue be repaired with crushed rock from Barnard to Princess Street.

5. That the City Solicitor be instructed to collect as soon as possible all outstanding accounts for crushed rock supplied to private parties.

6. That the following accounts be paid:-

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Clements + Addison Grand stand at Race track \$774.00

J. Coldwell Painting Crematory Cottage 46.75

W. H. Kindall Crushed Rock 1008.00

Thos Veitch del " " 374.40

McLennan + McFeely Supplies 26.56

H Lomas et al Labor 237.30

sgd.

H. P. McCraney

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Gavin

Seconded by " Franklin

That the Report be adopted

Carried.

Introduction of By-Laws.

Moved by Alderman McCraney

Seconded by " Franklin

That the rules be suspended, and a By-Law introduced to Amend By-Law no 155 known as the Local Improvement By-Law.

Carried.

The By-Law was introduced, and read, a 1st time.

The rules were again suspended and the By-Law read a 2nd time on motion of Alderman McCraney seconded by Alderman Franklin.

The Council went into Committee of the Whole on the By-Law with Alderman McCraney in the Chair.

The By-Law was read over clause by clause and reported to Council as complete without amendment.

The rules were again suspended and the By-Law read a 3rd time, on motion of Alderman McCraney

Seconded by Alderman Franklin. The Council then adjourned to meet on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Thos. F. McGuigan

City Clerk.

F. Cope

Mayor