

Churches ask for tax deadline extension - July 31, 1893

Ratepayer asked that Grant Street be extended 100 feet east of Victoria Drive. Illustration shows Grant Street at Victoria Drive, clearing a lot for a blacksmith shop, 1905.

Miss Fonseca and Miss Way hired as hospital nurses at \$10 per month salary each. Motion withdrawn to read bylaw to spend \$360,000 for the purchase of the property plant and assets of the Vancouver Electric Railway & Light Co.

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Illustration: Str P396 - [Clearing a lot for a blacksmith shop near Grant Street and Victoria Drive, 1905]
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Vancouver July 31st 1893

The Council met on Monday July 31st 1893

Present – His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Anderson, Salsbury, Hackett, Cargill, McCraney, Hobson, Franklin, Brown and Fowler.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From the Governor General's Secretary acknowledging receipt of resolutions re the foreshore and stating that the matter was referred to the Privy Council.

Filed

From James V Richards protesting against the lowering of the grade of the sidewalk at the corner of Seymour & Cordova Streets.

Matter already attended to.

From F. M. Cowperthwaite et al asking for the opening up of 8th Av Fairview 1 ½ blocks

Referred to the Board of Works

From J. Macfie Matron of the City Hospital announcing the appointment of Miss Fonseca as nurse at the City Hospital at \$10.00 a month.

Moved by Alderman Collins

Seconded by " McCraney

That the appointment of Miss Fonseca be confirmed at a salary of \$10.00 a month , dating from the 1st of July and that Miss Way be appointed at the same salary dating from the same time. Carried.

From J.J. Blake on behalf of Messrs Metyer & Liberty serving a writ on the City for damages

Referred to the City Solicitor

From the Rev. H.G.F. Clinton et al on behalf of the churches asking that the time for paying church taxes be extended to December 31st
Referred to the Finance Committee.

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From Geo. J. Low Electrical Inspector of San Francisco stating that at any time he would be pleased to give the Council any information in his line.
Referred to the F. W.& L. Committee
From J.H. Grady asking for a stumping machine
Referred to the Board of Works

From Thos Evans resigning his position as night nurse at the City Hospital.
Moved by Alderman Cargill
Seconded by " McCraney
That his resignation be accepted. Carried

From the Y.M.C.A. submitting a Lease of the a portion of their building for librabry purposes for signature.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

The following Reports were received and read:-
Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday July 28th 1893.
Present – Aldermen Anderson, Collins, Cargill & Hobson.
It was recommended:-

1. That James Codville, H. M. Henderson, A. McDougall, and Jones be each paid \$4.00 for circulating the petition addressed to the Hon, the Minister of the Interior praying that certain foreshore rights be not granted to the C.P.R. Co.

2. That the following accounts be paid:-

News-Advertiser Supplies \$4.80

Van Gas Co. " 42.80

J. Leckie " 18.00

J.Miller " 5.25

sgd R.A. Anderson

Chairman

Moved by Alderman McCraney

Seconded by " Brown.

That the Report be adopted.

Carried

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Board of Works

The Board of Works met on Thursday July 27th 1893

Present- Aldermen McCraney, Brown, Franklin, and Salsbury.

It was recommended:-

1. That the Communication from a ratepayer asking that Grant Street be extended 100 feet east of Victoria Street and a sidewalk be referred to the City Engineer to look into.

2. That the City Engineer be authorized to expand the appropriation granted for cleaning the rocks away from English Bay beach in the best possible manner.
3. That the City Engineer be authorized to give W.H. Kendall permission to use some what he can share of the road for Hastings St outside of the City limits
4. That the communication from Thos. J. James re the crossing leading to his stables on Westminster Av be referred to the Street Inspector for attention.
5. That the lanes in Blocks 68 & 59. 196 be graded by the Chain Gang.
6. That tenders be called for the grading of Robson St 200 ft west of present grading near Cardero St up to 3 P.M. on Thursday next;
7. That the following accounts be paid:-
 - J.J. Nickson Sec 10 Sewers \$500.00
 - Thos. M. Thomas 7th Av 329.40
 - H.B. Connacher 8th " 25.50
 - Boyd & Clandenning. Vernon St; 671.33
 - A.D. McDonald. Powell St; 270.00
 - E.C. Britton. Prior St; 144.77
 - T. Powell. Comox St; 286.88
 - H.T. Adams Extra bathing sheds 36.00
 - Evans, Coleman & Evans. Sewer pipes 260.76
 - E. Cook. Repairs to float 76.63
 - McLennan & McFeely supplies 125.14
 - Thos. Dunn & Co " 23.26
 - J. Potter Sec 8. Sewers 880.14

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J. Potter Sec 9. Sewers \$1957.61
 H. Lomas etal Labor 519.30
 sgd H.P. McCraney
 Chairman

Moved by Alderman Hackett
 Seconded by " Fowler
 That the Report be adopted.
 Carried.

Introduction of By-Laws.
 Moved by Alderman Fowler.
 Seconded by " Collins
 That the By-Law to raise the sum of \$360,000 for the purchase of the property plant and assets of the Vancouver Electric Railway & Light Co Ltd be read a first time.
 Withdrawn

Motions
 Moved by Alderman Anderson.
 Seconded by " Hackett.
 That Aldermen McCraney & Franklin be a Committee with power to arrange for the watering of the streets Carried.

Moved by Alderman Fowler.

Seconded by " Hobson.

That at the next meeting of this Council a return be presented of the number of employees on City Departmental works, the names of such employees and showing who among them are and who are not ratepayers.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Franklin

Seconded by " Fowler.

That the following accounts be paid:-

R. Llewellyn. Driving \$350.00

W. Hooper etal. Labor 287.75

Carried.

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Moved by Alderman Anderson.

Seconded by " Cargill

That the City Treasurer be authorized to pay on the 1st of every month the salaries of the teachers and caretakers connected with the public schools of this City; and also all other school accounts after they are approved of and passed by the school trustees.

Carried.

Notice of Motion

Alderman Franklin gave notice that at next meeting of Council he would introduce a By-Law for the regulating of bathing in any public waters of this City.

The Council then adjourned.

F. Cope

Mayor

Thos. F. McGuigan

City Clerk