

Lt. Gov. Dewdney to Open New Vancouver Y.M.C.A. – May 8, 1893

Lt. Governor Dewdney and wife to be received in Vancouver May 18 to open the new Y.M.C.A. Building; Mayor and Council invited. Miss Mcfie appointed hospital Matron at \$50 per month, Mr. T. Martin hospital Cook at \$30, and J. A. Gow appointed Call Man at the Mount Pleasant Fire Hall at \$15. A reward of \$25 offered for information leading to conviction of those breaking windows within the City.

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Y.M.C.A. Buildings on Hastings Street near Cambie Street

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Vancouver May 9th 1893.

The Council met on Monday May 8th 1893. Present His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen Salsbury, Collins, Hackett, McCraney, Cargill, Franklin, Hobson, Brown and Towler.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The following communications were read:-

From Thos. H. Boyd etal, asking that Oppenheimer Street be named Cordova Street East.
Laid over for introduction of By-Law.

From Thos. Dunn etal, asking that some other street be named after Oppenheimer Bros.
Laid over for introduction of By-Law.

From S. Benoit of the Department of Militia and Defence stating that the Department could not grant the request of the Council in regard to the site for a reservoir in Stanley Park.

Filed

From F. F. Mciver, etal asking the Council to appoint a Delegation to attend a non-political association at St. Paul, Minn, regarding Reciprocity.
Accepted

From S. Kerfoot etal, asking for a sidewalk on 18th and an electric light on Westminster Road near the boundary.

Referred to the B of Works + F. W + L.

From Dr. A. H. Thomas submitting an account for himself and Mrs. Hansel for attendance on Small Pox patients; also submitting report on requirements at the Isolation Hospital.
Referred to the Board of Health.

From the City Solicitor giving opinion in reference to violation of Market Lease by the lessee.
Moved by Alderman Hobson
Seconded by " Cargill

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That A. M. Beattie be appointed Weight Master at the City Market at a salary of 100 a year.
Carried

From Mrs. Jennie C. Atkins, Secretary of the Ladies Central Committee of the Y. M. C. A., inviting the Mayor and Council to assist in receiving and welcoming His Honour Lt. Governor Dewdney and Mrs. Dewdney on the occasion of the public opening of the New Y. M. C. A. Building and also inviting them to a conversazione to be held in the Y. M. C. A. Building on the 18th inst.

Moved by Alderman McCraney
Seconded by " Collins

That both invitations be accepted and that a Committee composed of His Worship, the Mayor and Aldermen McCraney, Salsbury and Collins be appointed to cooperate with them in the reception to the Lt. Governor.
Carried

From Rand Bros. Asking the Council to take steps to prevent damage to houses when they become vacant.

Moved by Alderman Collins
Seconded by " McCraney

That a reward of \$2500 be paid to any person for the conviction of any person maliciously breaking windows in buildings in this City.

Carried

From W. S. Gore, Dept Commissioner of L + W agreeing to allow the price asked for to be taken off the Court House grounds to straighten Hastings Street.

Filed

From C. V. Knowdell etal asking for a six foot sidewalk on Hornby Street South.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From John Brenton in regard to the outlet to the Sewers.

Filed

From Oppenheimer Bros. etal requesting His Worship the Mayor to declare Thursday the 18th

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inst a half holiday from 12 noon.

Referred to the Mayor.

From Joseph Wolfer etal asking for a six foot sidewalk on Seymour Street between Smythe and Helmcken.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From G. A. Jordan asking for six week's leave of absence.

Moved by Alderman Towler

Seconded by " Cargill

That his request be granted provided he arranges for a substitute satisfactory to the Council.

Carried.

The following reports be received and read:-

Board of Works

The Board of Works met on May 4th 1893.

Present Aldermen Salsbury (in the Chair) Brown Franklin and Hackett.

It was recommended:-

1. That the communication from Geo Martin Clerk of South Vancouver re Heather Street be referred to the City Engineer to examine, and report upon.

2. That the W. + I. Tramway Co be notified to submit a plan of what they propose regarding the construction of a line into the Market Hall grounds from Hastings Street.

3. That Mr Parkes who asked that 7th avenue be opened up West of South Granville Street and proper grade given be informed that the street is to be opened up and proper grades will then be given.

4. A. W. Sullivan be granted permission to move the one story frame building on Lot 10 B2. O.G.T. to Lot

5. Water Street subject to his obtaining the consent of the adjoining property owners.

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5. That the Vancouver Elec Ry. + Light Co be permitted to put down double track curves on the Streets about about to be paved in accordance with plans submitted to the Board excepting that around the corner of Hastings and Cambie Street which is left over for further consideration.

6. That the following tenders be accepted:-

S. Granville, sidewalk E. C. Britton

Prior St. " do

Howe St. " A. D. McDonald

Comox + Robson " do

7. That tenders be called for the following work up till 3 p.m. on the 18th inst.

7th avenue grading 30 ft wide across gully west of the Alexandra Hospital

8. That the following accounts be paid:-

B. C. Mills T. + T. Co Lumber \$168.25

T. M. Thomas clearing in 185 495.00

Cunningham co supplies 2.82
J. Ross + co. " 100.
News Advertiser advertising 6.50
Evans, Coleman + Evans sewer pipes 402.38
W. Tierney + Son Sec. 11 Sewers 626.40
C. P. R. Co Rent of City Yard 2.00
D. McGillivray Surface drains 372.07
do curb stones 1703.61
H. Lomas et al Labor 1105.40
sgd W. F. Salisbury
Chairman

F. W. + L. Committee

The F. W. + L. Committee met on Wednesday May 3rd 1893.
Present Alderman Franklin, Hackett Cargill and Towler.
It was recommended:-

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1. That Wm. Elliott be reinstated on the Fire Brigade, given one more trial, and fined \$2.00.
2. That J. A. Gow be appointed call man at Mount Pleasant Fire Hall, at a salary of \$15.00 per month, dating from the 1st of April.
3. That the following accounts be paid:-
Tomlinson + McTaggart Straw \$1.00
B. C. M T. + T. Co Lumber 14.58
Thurston + Son Leather 1.89
Creamer + Langley Supplies 36.84
Cunningham Hardware Co " 36.25
J. R. Foster " 6.56
W. G. Warren " 2.00
J. A. McAlpine " 1.00
A. McKelvie + co " 16.00
Van Carriage Works " 1.00
S. T. Tilley + Son " 5.15
J. R. Foster " 28.99
W. Hooper etal Labor 336.90
4. That the committee agree to pay their proportion of the salary of a plumbing inspector when appointed if he is allowed to act as Inspector of the water works as well.
5. That tenders be called for the fireman's uniforms, tender to be in by Wednesday the 17th inst at 12 noon.
6. That tenders be called for a new hose wagon for No 3 fire hall.

7. That Aldermen Hackett + Towler be appointed a sub committee to purchase a team of horses for no 3. fire hall.

Sgd J. L. Franklin
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Hackett
Seconded by " Salsbury
That the Report be adopted.
Chairman

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Health Committee

The Health Committee met on Tuesday may 2nd 1893.
Present Aldermen Collins, Cargill and Hobson.

It was recommended:-

1. That the following accounts be paid:-

McLennan + McFeely Supplies \$11.84

Telegram P. + P. Co. " 1.25

Pioneer Steam Laundry " 39.07

Lockhart + Center Refund 2.50

W. T. Box 5.00

2. That Wm Leek, Master Plumber, and R. Smallwell, Journeyman Plumber and be appointed members of the Board of Plumbers and A. W. Scoullar, Plumbing Inspector.

3. That Miss Jean Macfie be appointed Matron of the City Hospital in place of Miss Swan, resigned. Duties to commence on the 1st of June. Salary to be fixed at \$50.00 per month.

4. That F. Humphrey be granted one Sunday in each month off duty.

Sgd Henry Collins
Chairman

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

Motions

Moved by Alderman Collins
Seconded by " Cargill
That T. Martin be appointed Cook at the City Hospital at a salary of \$30.00 per month dating from the 1st of April.
Carried

Moved by Alderman Salsbury

Seconded by " Franklin

That all cheques in the hands of the Treasurer in favour of the telegram Printing and Publishing Company be disposed of by passing them to the credit of the Telegram P. + P.s account for water rates.

Carried

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Moved by Alderman Collins

Seconded by " Hobson

That the Auditor's salary in increased to \$6000 per month to cover all extra work.

On the suggestion of Alderman Salsbury the matter was referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

Moved by Alderman Collins

Seconded by " McCraney

That Messrs Davis Marshall and McMeill be paid the sum of \$674 law costs on connecting with the suit of the City vs Bell-Irving etal.

Carried

Notice of Motion

Alderman Collins gave notice that at next meeting of Council he would introduce a By-Law to License Insurance Companies doing business in the City.

Alderman McCraney gave notice that at next meeting of Council he will intoduce a By-Law to change the name of Oppenheimer St. + Carl Av.

The Council then adjourned.

F. Cope

Mayor

Thos F. McGuigan

City Clerk