

Mass firing averted; referred to next Council - January 2, 1894

*The Health Officer reported two cases of diphtheria in December 1893. Council overturns its former decision to allow Oppenheimer Brothers to construct a railway siding to their premises. By-law established to elect an Alderman for Ward No 2 and two School Trustees to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations received at the last meeting.*

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Vancouver BC January 2nd 1894

The Council met on Tuesday 2nd January 1894.

Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Cargill Hobson Salsbury Towler Brown McCraney Collins Franklin & Hackett

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted

#### Communications

From Dr Thomas. Medical Health Officer reporting that there were two cases of diphtheria during the month of December. Filed

From Chas E. Hope, complaining about the sewer connection with some cottages at the corner of Georgia and Hamilton Streets owned by Francis Crosbie.  
Referred to Board of Works

From J.W. McFarland, offering to accept \$90.00 in connection with J. J. Nickson's claim against Sewers.  
Referred to Board of Works.

From W. Webster, asking if any decision had been given in the case of Vancouver vs. C. P. R. re title to the water front of the City of Vancouver.  
Referred to City Solicitor.

From Chas Duncan of Duncan & Hamilton asking to be given six months' auctioneer's license for \$50.00.  
Referred to Finance Committee

The following reports were received and read

Board of Works

The Board of Works met on December 28th 1893.

Present Alderman McCraney, Brown Franklin Hackett and Salsbury.

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It was recommended:-

That the matter of the amount and nature of the Bond of J. M. Hollands be submitted to the City Solicitor for his decision.

That the former resolution giving Messrs Oppenheimer Bros permission to construct a siding on Columbia Avenue across Powell St and alongside their premises be and is hereby rescinded.

That Mr. D. McGillivray be paid the sum of \$750.00 instead of the sum of \$516.30 already offered as a final settlement in full of all demands of whatsoever nature for extra haulage in connection with his street paving contract.

That tenders be called up till 3 pm on Thursday 18th January 1894 for the following new work  
Clearing in Sub: 182

That tenders be called up till 3 pm on Thursday the 25th January 1894 for the following new work  
Bituminous Rock Paving

- a) Granville St between Robson & Hastings Streets
- b) Hastings St " Carrall & Cambie Sts
- c) Basement drain on Granville St.

That the following accounts be recommended for payment

S.T. Tilley & Son Stationery \$4.65

H. Lomas et al Pay Roll 119.60

Signed J.P McCraney  
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Towler

Seconded " Salsbury

That the report be adopted. Carried.

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Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday December 29th 1893

Present Alderman Cargill Anderson Collins Hobson & Brown

It was recommended:-

That the following accounts be recommended for payment

The World P & P. Co Supplies \$70.39

S.T. Tilley & Son " 10.50

Shelton & Co Ballot Boxes 31.50

Hammersley & Hamilton Disbursements 132.21

The B.C. Gazette Gazetting Bylaws 238.75  
Signed W. Cargill

Moved by Alderman Towler  
Seconded " Brown  
That the report be adopted. Carried

Health Committee  
The Health Committee met on Friday December 29th 1893  
Present Alderman Collins, Cargill Towler & Hobson

It was recommended:-  
That one half the total amount of the note amounting to \$90.00 be paid to D. Brydone-Jack when the note is paid in full settlement of his claim.

That tenders be called for drugs for so much a month or by items for the Health Department for the year 1894.

That Miss O'Brien be placed on the Hospital staff in place of Miss Bean.

That the following accounts be recommended for payment  
G.I. Wilson Supplies \$3.10

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C.S. Philp Supplies \$22.47  
The B.C.D.T. & D. Co Message to Small pox hospital .50  
William Ralph Supplies 1.70  
Leatherdale & Co Hack hire 10.00  
William Ralph Supplies 11.55  
Crowder & Penzer " 140.41  
Pioneer Steam Laundry Washing 64.67  
R.A. Baynes Cordwood 110.00  
James Ruth Supplies 1.40  
F.W. Hart Burial 10.00  
David Rush 12 dys at Isolation Hospital 24.00  
Signed Henry Collins

Chairman  
Moved by Alderman Brown  
Seconded " Towler  
That the report be adopted  
Carried

Motions

Moved by Alderman Towler  
Seconded " Brown  
That Alderman Collins' resignation be accepted. Carried

Moved by Alderman Salsbury  
Seconded by " Hobson  
That a By Law to provide for the election of an Alderman to fill the vacancy in Ward No 2, caused by the resignation of Alderman Collins and two School Trustees vice Messrs Brown & Collins resignation be read a first time. Carried

Moved by Alderman Franklin  
Seconded " Towler  
That the Water Works Pay Roll, amounting to \$371.10 be paid. Carried

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Moved by Alderman Brown  
Seconded " Towler  
That the Council give notice to every City Official working at the City Hall and every City Employee, who is getting Two dollars & fifty cents per day and upwards that their services are not required after thirty days from this date and that the Mayor name a Committee of five, one from each Ward, said committee to have power to call for applications and to arrange a salary for each position to be filled for the year 1894.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Franklin  
Seconded by Alderman McCraney  
That this question be brought to the notice of the new Council and Water Commisioners with a recommendation to them to investigate the Officers and salaries attached thereto with a view to re-adjustment. Carried

#### Consideration of Bylaws

Moved by Alderman Salsbury  
Seconded " Brown  
That the rules be suspended and the Bylaw re election of an Alderman for Ward 1 and two School Trustees be read a second time. Carried.

The Council went into Committee of the whole for its consideration with Alderman Cargill in the chair.  
The Bylaw was read over clause by clause and reported to Council complete

Moved by Alderman Salsbury  
Seconded " Franklin  
That the rules be suspended and the Bylaw was read a third time.  
The Council then adjourned

F. Cope  
Mayor