

More street railway tracks to be built on Granville Street - June 4, 1894

D. McGillivray to lay another street railway track on Granville Street between Robson and Hastings. C.O. Wickenden complained of damage to his property by a city contractor during blasting. Seventeen straw mattresses were purchased for the jail. The grade on Sixth Avenue at Quebec Street needed to be changed so water would drain off.

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Vancouver June 4th 1894

The Council met on Monday June 4th 1894.

Present: His Worship, the Mayor and Aldermen Salsbury, Shaw, McDowell, Queen, McPhaiden, McCraney, Franklin, William Brown, C.L. Brown and Bethune.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From H. Cunningham, Engineering Record asking authority to insert an advertisement re Water supplies. Filed.

From George Barthy asking for a grant of \$1500 for First of July Celebrations. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From T.O. Townley asking the City to supply the grants to the BCBGA towards the relief of the sufferers by the flood. {From Major Townley, stating that the BCBGA (British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery) were willing to forego their \$500 grant for Dominion Day so that the same may be applied to the relief fund for the Fraser River sufferers}. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Clerk of Richmond acknowledging the receipt of a communication re disease among cattle on Lulu & Sea Islands. Filed.

From C.D. Rand offering {on behalf of the Vancouver Improvement Co.} \$400 for the north ends of lots 1, 2, 3, 7 & 8. Block 48, 181 {lots conveyed to the city for the extension of Powell street, but which were not used for that purpose}. Laid over for 1 week.

From D.C. Craig et al, asking that the hill on Barnard Street between Jackson and Hawks Avenues be cut down and graveled. Referred to the Board of Works.

From F. Evans giving roles for stenographic work for Engineer's investigation. Laid over for 1 week.

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From Jean Macfie {Lady Superintendent of the city hospital} asking a depository for ashes at the City Hospital. Referred to the Board of Health.

From Frank Dent, Secretary of the Pacific Squadron stating that the Admiral and Officers would come to Vancouver the First of July. Filed.

From Richard Hunt stating that he was willing to do the work at the crematory for the salary fixed. {protesting against the removal of the house at the crematory}. Referred to the Board of Health. The following Reports were received and read.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday June 1st 1894.
Present: Alderman Salsbury, McPhaiden, William Brown and Bethune.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:
R.A. Anderson on account as remuneration as Mayor \$500
J.J. Cowderay Clerical work \$12.50
N.M. Henderson Clerical work \$60.00
News. Advertisers ads \$11.20
The World “ “ \$52.82

Resolved

That Note no. 2 be renewed and a new note signed for \$10,000.
That \$33.00 be provided for paying fireman or firemen's insurance policies.

Resolved

That tenders be called for leasing the Race Course yearly for racing purposes such tenders to be in by next meeting of the Committee.

Signed W.F. Salsbury, Chairman

The Report was adopted on motion of ...

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...Alderman McDowell, seconded by Alderman Queen.

Police Committee

The Police Committee met on Wednesday May 30th 1894.
Present – Aldermen C.L. Brown, William Brown & McPhaiden

The following accounts were recommended for payment:
News. Advertisers ads Building Dept \$1.00

William Murphy Uniforms \$413.28
D.J. Campbell Supplies \$14.62
F. Filion Supplies \$38.02
D.J. McLean Supplies \$3.25
McIntosh & Co Supplies \$25.40
Cope & Young Supplies \$18.00
G.W. Hutchins Repairs \$1.00
John Bausman Drayage \$.50
C.S. Philp Supplies \$10.72

Communications

From F.W. Black applying for the position of Detective. Filed.

From John L. Carter enquiring when there would be a vacancy in the Police Force. Filed.

From A.M. Beattie asking for a reconsideration of the amendments to the Market By-Law. Laid over.

From E.H. Downing asking that he be allowed to run his plumbing business without a license until the end of the fiscal year.

Resolved

That he be informed that under the plumbing By-Law there is no power to grant his request.

Resolved

That 17 straw mattresses be purchased for the Jail, and Officer Grady provided...

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...With a working suit at a cost not to exceed \$15.00.

Signed C.L. Brown, Chairman Moved by Alderman McDowell Seconded by Alderman Queen
That the Report be adopted. Carried.

Board of Works

The Board of Works met on 31st May 1894.

Present: Aldermen McCraney, Brown and Queen.

Mr. O'Brien appeared before the Board stating that the Government had commenced work on its portion of Dundas Street and asking the Board to have the City's portion graded.

Mr. O'Brien was informed that the matter would be taken up as soon as there are funds.

Correspondence

From Grunden & Robinson giving further particulars of their claim in connection with the lowering of the grade and sidewalk on Princess Street in 1890. Filed.

From O. Marstrand asking for sidewalk extension to his house Lot 2, Block 28. Laid over until there are funds.

From Wulfsohn & Bewicke re the fallen fence, at Mr. Debruck's cottages corner Burrard & Alberni Streets. Order filed.

From P. McLean and others asking that 6th Avenue between Quebec and Bridge Streets be graded so as to drain off the water. Being attended to.

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From C.O. Wickendon stating that the cement sidewalk around the Bank of Montreal has been cracked and damaged by blastings.

Resolved

That the Contractor for the basement drain on Granville Street be notified that he will be held responsible for any and all damage to cement walks caused by blasting or otherwise, and that a copy of Mr. Wickendon's letter be sent to him.

Tenders

Resolved that tenders be called up to 3pm on Thursday the 14th June 1894 for an additional street sprinkler.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

IngSwan (owners of) Towage of crushed rock to False Creek \$36.00

W.S. Cook Delivering crushed rock \$481.70

Clough Express hire \$9.00

Vancouver Electric Railway & Light Co tickets \$5.00

J. Dixon Basement drain \$980.79

H. Lornas, etal Labour \$390.90

Signed H.P. McCraney, Chairman Moved by Alderman Queen Seconded by McDowell
That the Report be adopted. Carried.

The following tenders were received for repairing the chimney at the crematory:

Carter Brothers \$95.00

C.E. McKenzie \$203.60

John Menzies \$115.00

The tender of Carter Brothers was accepted.

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Motions

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by Alderman Shaw

That another track be laid on Granville Street from Robson to Hastings and that D. McGillivray be awarded the contract for laying same on the same terms as that on Hastings Street. Carried.

Moved by Alderman McCraney

Seconded by Alderman William Brown

That the Provincial Government be asked to deed that piece of land known as Dead Man's Island to this City for dry dock or other public purposes. Carried.

Moved by Alderman William Brown

Seconded by Alderman McCraney

That the Water Works Pay Roll for the week ending May 28th amounting to \$222.15 be passed. Carried.
Consideration of By-Laws

Moved by Alderman Salsbury

Seconded by Alderman McDowell

That the Council go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments to the Trades License By-Law. Carried.

Alderman Salsbury was appointed Chairman. The By-Law was read over clause by clause and reported to Council as complete with amendments.

It was thus read a 3rd time on motion of Alderman Salsbury, seconded by Alderman Queen.

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Moved by Alderman Salsbury

Seconded by Alderman Queen

That the Council go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the By-Law to close Pender Street between Cambie and Beattie (sic) Streets. Carried.

Alderman Salsbury was appointed Chairman.

The By-Law was read over clause by clause and reported to Council as complete.

It was then read a 3rd time on motion of Alderman Salsbury, seconded by Alderman Queen.

The Council then adjourned.

Thomas Francis McGuigan R.A. Anderson

City Clerk Mayor

Note

Comments in parenthesis { } denote further illumination provided by the Vancouver Daily World Newspaper; The City Council column, June 5, 1894, pg 3.