

New Women's Ward in hospital will cost \$10,000 - March 27, 1894

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[Man and nurses on lawn in front of the Vancouver City Hospital - 530 Cambie Street]

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Vancouver March 27th 1894

The Council met on Tuesday March 27th 1894

Present – Aldermen Salsbury, Shaw, Queen, McDowell, McCraney, McPhaiden, Wm Brown, Franklin C.L. Brown and Bethune

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by “ C.L. Brown

That Alderman Salsbury be appointed Chairman. Carried

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From D. McGillivray agreeing to the conditions expressed in the resolution of Council regarding the payment of wages in his contract. Filed

From the City Solicitor furnishing correspondence between himself and Mr. Tatlow regarding the double tracking of Granville Street by Track east of Westminster Av.

Moved by Alderman McDonald

Seconded by “ Queen

That that portion of the correspondence relating to the double tracking of Granville Street be laid over for another week. Carried

Moved by Alderman Shaw

Seconded by “ Bethune

That the matter of taking up the track on Powell Street be deferred until Mr. Farrell's return provided he returns within two weeks. Carried

From R.H. Terhune, Salt Lake City asking for information regarding the quality of ores etc in this Vicinity.  
Referred to the Board of Works Trade  
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From R. Hughes asking for the transfer of the Auctioneer License held by S.F. Scott to himself.  
Referred to the Police Committee

From E. Shurgold asking for the removal of a stump from Lot 7. Block 38.200a  
Referred to the Board of Works

From Evans, Coleman & Evans notifying the Council that Storage at the rate of 50 cents per ton per week and interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum will be charged for the City pipe lying on their wharf.  
Referred to the Board of Works

From D. McGillivray asking that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to attach the City Seal to his contract for the paving of Granville & Hastings Streets

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by " Queen

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the contract between D. McGillivray and the City for the paving of Granville and Hastings Street and attach the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

From Hon James Baker, Provincial Secretary informing the Council that a resolution of the Legislative Assembly embodying the request of the Council relative to the transference from the Dominion Government to the Province of a certain portion of the foreshore of False Creek together with the tidal lands of the same, had been transferred to the Honourable the Secretary of State. Filed

From the City Clerk stating that the total assessment of property in Ward 5 amounted to \$994.67 and the amount represented on a certain portion paying for the division of the Ward as \$700240.00

From Mr W.P. Turner, Supt of the Water Works asking the Council to give the reason of

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his discharge.

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by " Queen

That the communication be filed. Carried

From Major Townley, asking for a grant of \$500.00 for the 1st of July Celebrations  
Referred to the Finance Committee

From John Cooper asking for an increase of salary  
Referred to the F & L. Committee

From Frank Devlin etal asking the Council to pay A.G. Evans his salary while he was laid up with a broken leg. Filed

From the Mayor advising the Council to buy the lots in front of the Hospital and to have the Plumbing By-Law amended.

The first was referred to the Finance Committee to be considered when the estimates are being compiled and the latter portion referred to the Health Committee

The following accounts Reports were received and read.

#### Water Committee

The Water Committee met on Tuesday March 27th 1894

Present – Aldermen McDowell, Queen, McPhaiden, Wm Brown and Bethune.

It was recommended:-

1. That the B.C. Iron Works be allowed to connect with the water mains on Alexander Street as per their request.

2. That in lieu of fire and light in the Market Hall that A.M. Beattie be allowed water to the value of \$2.00 per month, that he pay for water used up to date and that he be informed that he must look to the Band in future for light charges.

3. That John Potter be appointed Reservoir Inspector at a salary of \$3.00 a day

4. That the following accounts be paid:-

W. Hooper etal Labor \$320.25

Thos Dunn & Co Supplies 10.28

W.G. Warren “ .30

News.Advertiser “ 3.20

Thomas Bros. “ 1.25

Diplock & Co “ 4.75

Rennie & Campbell, Boat hire 25.00

Boyd & Clandenning Use of pump 5.00

Payne Tipping Machine Co Supplies 15.17

Sgd John McDowell

Chairman

Moved by that Alderman McDowell

Seconded by “ McPhaiden

That the Clause in relation to John Potter be struck out. Carried

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by “ Queen

That the balance of the report be adopted. Carried

#### Board of Works

The Board of Works met on March 22nd 1894

All the members being present

It was recommended:-

1. That Dundas Street in 184 be opened up for 3 ½ blocks to meet a roadway to be constructed by the Government provided that the Government does its share.

2. That the Communication from Mr McFie re stumps on Dufferin St W be referred to the Street

Inspector to report on

3. That the following be included in the Estimates

Sidewalk on North Side of Burnaby from Burrard Street to the end of the grade.

Sidewalk on 11th Av from Ontario to Quebec St

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Grading Robson St west of Nicola St

4. That the Communication from H. Abbott re outlet to Granville Street drain be referred to the City Engineer and Solicitor

5. That no more work be done in 264A until it is resurveyed

6. That the Communication from G.A. Owens re state of trench on 9th Av be referred to the Street Inspector for attention

7. That the Street Inspector make passable Pender Street East of Abbott with old plank.

8. That the following accounts be paid

Pay Roll \$194.25

Evans Coleman & Evans 1053.54

Trythall & Son Supplies 3.60

Thos Dunn Street Sweeper 347.50

M.S. Rose 5.00

Mason & Peterson 1.00

Diplock & Co. 2.90

H.Kersey .65

J. Rogers 2.50

Jas Logan 12.00

9. That Evans, Coleman & Evans be returned their percentage on Water pipes

10. That tenders be called for the construction of a drain on Richards St and for crushing rock

The Estimates for the year were formed

Sgd H.P. McCraney

Moved by Alderman Queen

Seconded by " C.L. Brown

That the Report be adopted. Carried.

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Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday March 27th 1894

Present – the full Board

It was recommended:-

1. That the following accounts be paid:-

Diplock & Co Supplies \$20.20

City Printing Works " 21.80

Evans Coleman & Evans " 14.00

J.J. Cowdery Clinical Ward 65.00

Cosman & son Supplies 1.25

News.advertiser " 8.55

2. That the Secretary of the Zion Congregation be informed that the Council has no power to allow 20

per cent rebate on last year's taxes

3. That Adolphe Giguere, who asked not to be compelled to pay for two poll tax receipts which he claimed to have lost; be informed that if he makes an affidavit that he lost them and did not issue them that he be relieved of the responsibility of paying for them

4. That the Communication from the City Auditor stating that he had balanced the Assessment Roll and Tax Roll, be filed

5. That the tender of the News. Advertiser for printing the financial statement be accepted as follows:-  
500 copies in long primer, samples no 1 \$2.10 per page

Sgd W.F. Salsbury

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Wm Brown

Seconded by " McDowell

That the Report be adopted Carried

#### Health Committee

The Health Committee met on Tuesday March 27th 1894

Present Aldermen McDowell, Salsbury, McPhaiden, Wm Nrown

It was recommended:-

1. That the sum of \$10000 be placed in the Estimates to provide a Women's Ward and other accommodations at the City Hospital the balance of the Estimates being confirmed and referred to the Finance Committee

2. That Dr. G. D. Johnston be appointed Opsthlamic physician to the City Hospital

3. That the following accounts be paid:-

James Carnoban Scavengering .50 cts

C.F. Foreman Supplies 33.12

W.A. McIntosh & Co " 4.95

C.F. Foreman " 15.31

Welsh Bros " 8.23

Texas Lake Ice Co " 1.50

James Astell " 20.00

Mellish & Grant " 37.50

Sgd John McDowell

Chairman

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by " Queen

That the Report be adopted

Carried

Motions

Moved by Alderman McDowell

Seconded by " Queen

That the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Council regarding the expropriation of the jobs and wires of the Vancouver Electric Railway and Light Co. be amended so that it will be in accordance with the agreement between the Co and the City.

Laid over

Moved by Alderman Queen

Seconded by " Franklin

That the matter be laid over for one week to give the City Solicitor an opportunity to

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Examine the contract and other papers that may be connected therewith and produce same at the next meeting of the Council Carried

Moved by Alderman Wm Brown

Seconded by " McPhaiden

That the following labor account be paid:-

G. Telford \$566.65 Carried

The Council then adjourned

R. A. Anderson

Mayor

Thos G. McGuigan

City Clerk