

Liquor, Gambling Fines Totals Demanded – May 20, 1895

The City Treasurer to submit totals for the past three years of fines collected from liquor and gambling infractions. Phone rent for each of the four Fire Halls was reduced from \$12 to \$9.50 per month each. William Murphy selected to supply police helmets and batons to the Police Department within six weeks. All tenders for police and firemen's uniforms referred back to the Committee.

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Vancouver May 20th 1895

The council met on Monday May 20th 1895.

Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Shaw, Coupland, Gallagher, McCraney, McPhaiden, Wm Brown, Thomas, Bethune and W.P. Brown.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From G. B. Harris asking permission to alter the roof of his shed back of Goldstein Bros Store.
Referred to the Board of Works

From J. McLaren reporting on the Electric Lights.
Filed

From W. C. Macey asking for compensation for injuries received on Granville Street Bridge.
Referred to the Board of Works

From M. C. Thain, Harbour Master asking that the property owners along the shore of Burrard Inlet be prevented from draining into the harbour.
Referred to the Board of Works

From M.G. Faddew offering a stuffed swan for sale.
Filed

From E.H. Downing, asking for a refund of a portion of his plumber's license.
Referred to the Finance Committee

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From the City Solicitor giving an opinion upon the Market lease.
Referred to the F. M. & P Committee

From Robert Cosgrove etal asking that Pendrell Street be graded and sidewalked.
Referred to the Board of Trade

From John Brenton, Health Inspector asking that a sewer be put down along Seaton Street etc.
Referred to the Board of Works

From D. Oppenheimer etal, asking that the city settle with the workmen on the reservoir.
Referred to the Water & Light Committee

From the City Solicitor stating that under an Act of Charles 2nd any person who exercises his ordinary calling on Sunday is liable to a penalty of 5 shillings.
Filed

The following reports were received and read:

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday May 17th 1895.

Present Aldermen McCraney, Coupland, Wm Brown and Bethune.

Communications

From H. W. Kent, Manager of the Telephone Co stating that the City was getting the lowest rate charged by the company on the rent of telephones but in consideration of the fire halls being now on a private line

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They would reduce the 4 instruments from \$12 per month to \$9.50 per month.
Resolved

That his proposition be accepted.

The question of nuisance on the Civic buildings was laid over for one week.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

A. St. G. Hamersley	Law Costs	\$25.38
H. Nutrie	Fabricating	56.20
News	Advertiser Ads	2.40
G.F. Baldwin	Disbursements	12.75

Sgd H.P. McCraney
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Wm Brown
Seconded by " Bethune
That the report be adopted
Carried

Fire, Market & Police Committee

The Fire, Market & Police Committee met on Tuesday May 14 1895.

Present Aldermen Gallagher, Coupland, McPhaiden and Thomas.

The following tenders were received for the Police and Firemen's uniforms:

Wm Murphy
Chief's Suit \$27.50
Sergeant's " 25.00
Officer's " 23.00
Chief of P.D. 26.50
Fireman 22.50
Helmets at catalogue price. City paying duty and express.

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Dan Stewart
Sample No. 1
Chief of Police Suit \$29.50
Sergt " " 26.50
Officer's " " 24.75
Sample No 2.
Chief of Police Suit \$29.00
Sergt " " 26.00
Officer's " " 24.00
Chief of F.D. No 1. 28.
Firemen 24.
Chief of F.D. No 2. 27
Firemen 23.
Caps and helmets at catalogue prices.

J.G. Campbell
Samples 1, 2 & 3
Chief & Sgt of Police \$27.00
Chief of F.D. 25.
Police & Firemen 22.
Helmets at catalogue prices

Resolved

That the tender of Wm Murphy be accepted he to furnish batons and helmets for the police, contract to be completed six weeks from date.

Communications

From the City Solicitor giving an opinion on the Market lease.
Referred to the Council

From John Devine reporting destruction to property on Oppenheimer and Keefer Streets and asking for police protection.

Resolved

That the Chief of Police be instructed to use his best endeavors to prevent destruction of property.

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From the Chief of the Fire Department furnishing the cost of keep of horses in each fire hall as follows:

Fire Hall No 1	\$51.48
" " No 2	49.28
" " No 3	49.89

Filed

From the Gutta Percha & Rubber Co Toronto Ont asking for particulars re amount of hose intended to be purchased by the City.

Resolved that the City Clerk be instructed to call for tenders for the furnishing of 1000 feet of hose and tenders to be received up to Monday the 17th of June. Samples to accompany tenders and that the City Clerk be instructed to notify the Gutta Percha & Rubber Co to that effect.

Resolved

That Officer Grady be authorized to purchase a working suit for himself and a hat.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

Gutta Percha & Rubber Mfg Co	Supplies	\$44.25
C.F. Foreman	"	.72
Wm Ralph	"	5.50
News Advertiser	"	3.00
Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel Co	"	3.10
Crowder & Penzer	"	150.65
C. Nelson	"	4.95
C.F. Foreman	"	25.51
Clarke & Stuart	"	2.00
J.H. Carlisle Duty	"	4.35

Thos Dunn & Co	“	2.06
J.C. Woodrow	“	16.31

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C.F. Foreman	Supplies	\$12.88
John McAllister	Interpreting	4.00
Thos Dunn & Co	Supplies	31.18
C. Nelson	“	3.18
Thos Dunn & Co	“	16.13
J. Dodson	“	13.90
Gas Co	“	4.00
Cassady & Co	“	1.69
C.S. Philp	“	6.10
McRae & Hall	“	44.35
W.D. Kerfoot	Horses	300.75

Resolved

That the exchange of horses with W. D. Kerfoot be approved of

Sgd W.H. Gallagher
Chairman

Moved by Alderman McCraney
Seconded by “ Bethune

That the part of the report relating to the Market be referred back to the Committee
Carried

Moved by Alderman Gallagher
Seconded by “ Coupland

That the part of the report relating to the uniforms be referred back to the committee
Carried

Moved by Alderman McCraney
Seconded by “ Wm Bethune

That the report as amended be adopted.
Carried

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Motions

Moved by Alderman McCraney

Seconded by " Gallagher

That permission be granted to erect a Gospel tent on Hastings Street.

Carried

Moved by Alderman Wm Brown

Seconded by " Gallagher

That the City Treasurer be requested to furnish a statement of the amount received in fines for the past three years through violation of the liquor by law by whom paid and the amount of each payment separately, also the same return in respect to gambling; also the amount of money received for board of prisoners.

Carried

The Council then adjourned to consider reductions of salaries.

Henry Collins

Mayor

Thos McGuigan

City Clerk