

Consolidated Railway & Light's Wires Must Come Down - September 3, 1895

*The Consolidated Railway & Light Company must disconnect all electric wires attached to the water pipes; the City Electrician to report on any damage to the pipes. Vancouver to write to North Vancouver Council about their previous agreement to build a road up from the Narrows to the dam. Council to meet again on the following evening.*

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Vancouver September 3, 1895

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The Council met on Tuesday September 3rd 1895.

Present: His Worship, the Mayor and Aldermen Shaw, Coupland, Gallagher, Queen, McPhaiden, Clandenning, Brown, Sanders, McDonald, Bethune.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

### **Communications**

From G.F. Moncton, stating that he was negotiating with English capitalists as to the erection of a smelter in Vancouver and asking for assistance.  
Referred to the Finance Committee

From P Gendron asking for a rebate on his taxes in consideration of his building being burned down.  
Referred to the Finance Committee

From Thos H. Moore etal asking for a sidewalk on 10th Ave.  
Referred to the Board of Works

From John Brenton, drawing attention to defects in the Health By Law.  
Referred to the Finance Committee

From the Secretary of the Trades & Labor Council asking the Council to have the By Laws printed in the local papers.  
Referred to the Finance Committee

From D. McGillivray agreeing to do the paving at the corner of Hastings & Carrall Streets on the same terms as that on Hastings Street.

Filed

From Charley Roberts, Indian Policeman asking

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for the moieties in two Indian Fines.

Referred to the City Solicitor

From J. Lowe, Deputy Minister of Agriculture stating that all steamers arriving from the Orient were thoroughly fumigated.

From H. Abbot protesting against the property at the corner of Hastings & Carrall Streets being used as a street.

Referred to the City Solicitor

From the Chief of Police reporting on the electric lights.

Filed

From Mrs Cheatham asking for the reduction of the Ball Rack and Shooting Gallery License.

Referred to the Police Committee

The following reports were received and read:

### **Water & Light Committee**

The Water & Light committee met on Wednesday August 28th 1895.

Present: the full Board

### **Communications**

From A. Robinson etal asking to have water main on each end of Keefer Street enlarged.

Referred to the Chairman and City Engineer

From the U.S.S. Co (United Steam Ship Co) enclosing order from D.K. Campbell for \$52.00 for hire of blocks etc.

Laid over till estimate is passed from W.S. Gore granting lease to the City of the pipe line etc through the Indian Reserve.

Referred to the City Solicitor and City Engineer

From the Vancouver Gas Co making an offer to light the City by gas, also offering to sell plant.

Laid over for consideration

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From Geo Cassady & Co asking for larger water main on Bridge Street.  
Referred to the Chairman and City Engineer

From E.J. Curran asking for a situation  
Resolved that Mr Curran be informed that at present, there is no situation vacant.

It was resolved to write to the Municipality of North Vancouver asking that they propose to do with regard to the agreement re road from Narrows to dam along the pipe line, as the City is desirous to have the matter settled.

It was resolved to pay J. Buillon \$12.00 for hay cut on his property.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

Evans Coleman & Evans Supplies \$9.00  
News Advertiser " 8.00  
Water Works Payroll 651.70

Sgd Wm Brown  
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Brown  
Seconded by " Coupland  
That the report be adopted

Fire, Market & Police Committee

The Fire, Market & Police Committee met on Tuesday September 3rd 1895.  
Present: the full Board

The applications for Chief of Police, Patrolmen and License Inspector were opened and referred to the full Council to make the appointments.

The City Clerk acting under instructions from the Committee wrote Mr R. A. Anderson the following letter:

Vancouver B.C. Aug 28th 1895  
R.A. Anderson Esq. Vancouver B.C.

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Dear Sir  
Alderman Gallagher has decided to call a meeting of the Police Investigation Committee tomorrow Thursday at 8 P.M. to give you an opportunity to set yourself right on the statements made by one C.H. Barnwell.  
Any witnesses you may wish to have present to give evidence will be subpoenaed. I would like a list of their names as soon as possible.

Yours truly,  
Sgd Thos F. McGuigan  
City Clerk

Mr Anderson sent the following reply:

Vancouver August 29th 1895  
Thos F. McGuigan Esq.  
City Clerk

Dear Sir

In reply to your communication of the 28th inst. I would ask you to kindly read my letter to Mr Gallagher again. As he may have more time at his disposal than I, It would be in his line to find out the names of the parties in whose houses these machines were placed and have them all called to give evidence.

Yours truly,  
Sgd R.A. Anderson

Resolved that we recommend that the successful applicant for the position of License Inspector be paid at the rate of \$60.00 per month without uniform.

Resolved

That Thos Lillie be given full charge of Fire Hall No 1 under the Chief and that J.W. Campbell henceforth act as fireman under his instructions.

Sgd W.H. Gallagher  
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Bethune  
Seconded by " Shaw

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That the clause fixing the salary of the License Inspector be laid over.

Carried

Moved by Alderman Coupland  
Seconded by " Bethune  
That the report as amended be adopted.  
Carried

Board of Works

The Board of Works met on August 29th 1895.  
Present: the full Board

**Communications**

From E. Cook asking permission to use the portion of Water Street opposite lots 11 & 12. Block 6 DL 7 for piling materials.

Granted on the usual conditions as to bond or deposit.

Plans for the Twigge book Block to be erected on Water Street at lots 11 & 12 DL 7 were approved subject to their being found to comply with the Fire Limits By Law by the engineer and copies of the plans being deposited in the engineer's office.

From A.E.E. Clark in reference to an amount of \$891.40 due her from Co H. Kendall contractor for crushed rock under an agreement dated December 29th 1894.

Referred to the City Solicitor for his advice in the matter.

From D. Gibbons requesting payment to the order of Thos Dunn & Co of the sum of \$22.65 to be charge against monies coming to him on his Dundas Street contract.

Referred to the City Treasurer

From D.A. McKenzie etal petitioning for a sidewalk on Bridge Street from the bridge to 7th Av.

Laid over it being recommended that it be considered among the first applications next year as there are

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no funds for the purpose this year.

From C.G. Johnson asking for a 3 plank walk on Alder Street from 8th to 9th Avs about 240 feet.

Referred to the Aldermen for Ward 5 to report upon.

From F. Foubert of the Clarence Hotel asking permission to put up a small post at the SW corner of Pender & Seymour Streets to carry an overhead cloth sign.

Granted subject to removal at any time when ordered by the Board of Works.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

D. Gibbons Sewer \$95.65

E. Clough Express 1.50

Cassady & Co Supplies 62.19

Thomas etal Labor 369.60

Sgd H.P Shaw

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Shaw

Seconded by " McPhaiden

That the report be adopted

Carried

**Introduction of By Laws**

Moved by Alderman Gallagher  
Seconded by " Bethune  
That the By Law to amend the Plumbing & Health By Laws be read a first time.  
Carried

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Motions

Moved by Alderman Gallagher  
Seconded by " Bethune  
That an address be prepared and presented to Hon J. A. Chapleau, Lieut Governor of Quebec.  
Carried

Moved by Alderman Gallagher  
Seconded by " Bethune  
That 10 copies of the electric light proposition submitted by Mr Stewart be struck off and a copy sent to each Alderman.  
Carried

Moved by Alderman Coupland  
Seconded by " Gallagher  
That the Consolidated Railway & Light Company be instructed to disconnect all electric wires attached to the water pipes and that the City Electrician be requested to report to the Council if the water pipes have been damaged by being connected with the electric wires belonging to the said Company.  
Carried

Moved by Alderman Shaw  
Seconded by " McPhaiden  
That the Council stand adjourned until tomorrow at 7:30 P.M.  
Carried

Henry Collins  
Mayor

Thos F. McGuigan  
City Clerk