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Vancouver, May 7th 1900

The Council met on Monday May 7th 1900.
Present His Worship, the Mayor and the full Board of Aldermen.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

## Communications

From the Reeve of the North Vancouver Municipality inviting the Mayor & Council to be present at the trial trip of the new North Vancouver Ferry on Wednesday May 9th.
Laid over.

From Robert M. Fripp asking for the gradient of Pendrell Street at lot 18 Block 60. Subdivision 185
Referred to City Engineer.

From W.H. Dinsmore et al petitioning to have a 2″ water pipe laid on 8th Avenue from Bridge St east to a distance of about 7 lots
Referred to Water & Market Committee.

From T.W.C. Leuty, deputy returning Officer for Ward 2 at the recent bylaw voting, reporting that complaints had been frequent on polling day as to the suitability of No 2 fire hall for a polling place since alterations were made.
Filed for reference for future returning officer.

From C.G. Major, stating that he was about to improve his property on English Bay water front in block 63, subdivision 185, lots 5 to 24 and that he found the property especially lots 8 to 15 had been used as a dumping ground either by Contractors, servants or employees of the City
Referred to the Board of Works.

From Chas. F. Law petitioning for a new sidewalk on Nicola Street to replace the present 3 plank walk now laid down
Referred to the Board of Works.

Two telegrams from H.H. Pitts, Mayor Sandon stating that the town was completely wiped out by fire and requiring assistance
Laid over

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From Parr & Fee on behalf of the Methodist Church Missionery [sic] Society petitioning for a new sidewalk on Carrall and Pender Streets
Referred to the Board of Works.

From Frank V. Bodwell, Agent of the Estate of E.V. Bodwell stating he had been empowered by the Administrator of the Estate to quote a price of $100.00 for one acre of land on the Bodwell Estate part of Lot 669 for a Cemetary [sic] Caretakers [sic] house, the City to bear all cost of survey and conveyance in addition to the price of the property.
Laid over
[NOTE: Bodwell Road is today known as 33rd Avenue. Lot 669 would have provided an extension of Mountain View Cemetery on the east side of Fraser Street. The Bodwell family are interred in 2 sections of Mountain View, the OLD designated area is in the southwest portion of E. 33rd Avenue at Fraser Street; JONES is to the south of OLD]

From J.M. O'Toole petitioning for a 6 foot sidewalk on the north side of Pender St from Carroll Street west to the Western limit of Preston Property
Referred to the Board of Works.

From John J. Nickson assigning to Thomas Bradbury of this City all monies due or accrueing [sic] due to him for all work done on Sewer Contract.
Referred to City Solicitor.

From J.E. Evans Secretary, Treasurer of True Knight enclosing twelve Copies of same to be distributed to each member of the Council
Filed.
[Note: The True Knight of BC appears to have been a monthly periodical, published August 1898 – July 1900, Author T.A. Spink, contributors – Knights of Pythias]

From J. Buntzen of the Street Railway Co. acknowledging receipt of communication enclosing copy of resolution re having plank laid alongside of rails on macadam roads.
Filed.

From R. Herr Houlgate, Secretary Vanc Land Imp. Co stating that the Company were agreeable to allow the City to run sewers along Blocks 110 & 111, Sect: 196
Referred to City Solicitor.

From Edward Hobson petitioning to have the Street filled in between Denman and Bidwell Streets on Davie Street.
Referred to the Board of Works.

From G. Coleman et al requesting to have Burnaby Street put in proper condition.
Referred to the Board of Works.

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From Henry Mathers et al petitioning to have Bidwell Street opened up and graded between Burnaby and Davie, and also lane in block 62 Sect: 185.
Referred to the Board of Works.

From W.J. Henning et al petitioning to have the lane between eighth and ninth avenues opened up for one block east from Bridge Street.
Referred to the Board of Works.

From G.T. Lenfesty et al petitioning to have sidewalk laid down on the South Side of Lansdowne Avenue extending from Westminster Avenue to Scotia Street on block.
Referred to the Board of Works.

From H.G. Moore requesting to have Electric light pole removed in front of his property on Princess Street.
Referred to the Board of Works.

From Geo. H. Perley, Chairman Ottawa Relief Board expressing thanks for City Contribution and various subscribers.
Filed.

From P. Fewster complaining of his arrest and subsequent treatment he received at the hands of the Police during the month of October last.
Referred to the Police Committee.
[Note: Mr. Philip Fewster shows up on many occasions in the news of the day, a "specialist on municipal affairs", he had opinions and offered his services to the City in building a septic tank system, as he claimed the Board of Works knew nothing.]

The following Reports were received and read:-

The **Light Railway and Tramway Committee** met on Tuesday May 1st 1900.
Present: the full board.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From F.P. Davison et al asking for Street Car Service on Ninth Avenue from Westminster Ave to Scott Street.
Referred to the Chairman and Alderman Baxter to interview Mr. Buntzen in reference to this matter.

Resolved that the City Clerk be instructed to write to the Street Railway Co asking for the immediate moving out of certain electric poles. List of poles to be furnished by the City Engineer.
The Board then adjourned.

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Moved by Alderman McPhaiden
Seconded by Alderman Grant
That the report be adopted as read.
Carried.

The **Health Committee** met on Wednesday May 2nd 1900.
Present: Aldermen Foreman, Grant, McQueen and Wood

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:-

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| C.T. Philp | $19.69 |
| Mrs White | 1.00 |
| R.C. Webber | 9.15 |
| Johnston Kerfoot | 1.50 |
| Trudgeon BrS | 130.00 |
| Jas. Hughes | 6.80 |
| Champion & White | 13.50 |
| H.H. Layfield Co | 52.50 |
| Scott & Kennedy | 11.95 |
| Hygienic Creamery | 71.39 |
| G.E. MacDonald Co | 22.32 |

Communications

From the Crematory Caretaker and Ambulance Contractors furnishing reports.
Filed.

From the Health Inspector furnishing report and asking for 3 straw mattresses and 6 pillows for the Isolation Hospital and a dust box for the Cottage hospital.
Granted.

From Wm Ralp[should be Ralph] & W.A. Williamson offering tenders for heating the operating room at the City Hospital.
Resolved that W.A. Williamson's tender be accepted for $51.00, he to do all cutting for registers and opening up of Chimnies [sic].

From J.M. MacLean and House Surgeon furnishing reports.
Filed.

From Dr. McEwen asking that the kitchen of the Hospital be kalsomined. [a type of paint]
Granted.

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From Dr. McEwen submitting a list of eye instruments and recommending that same be purchased for the Hospital.
Resolved that they be purchased through Dr. Johnstone.

From Wm. Ralp [sic Ralph] offering to repair furnace in Hospital.
Referred to Chairman & Alderman Grant with power to act.

Resolved that the Cemetery Caretaker be notified to furnish rakes, spades, etc. required by plot holders in the Cemetery and to keep them in a convenient place.

Resolved that Miss Fonseca be appointed Head Surgical nurse at a salary of $25.00 per month.

Resolved that the City Solicitor be instructed to write Walter Jordan with a view of collecting from him $20.00 for private nurse to his child.

The Board then adjourned.

Moved by Alderman McGuigan
Seconded by Alderman Foreman
That the clause referring to the tender of W.A. Williamson for heating operating room be amended to include the adjoining room and that the sum of $25.00 be offered to him in addition making a total sum of $76.00, and the balance of the report be adopted as read.
Carried.

The Board of Works met on Thursday at 4pm.
Present Aldermen Grant, Neelands, McPhaiden, Foreman & Wood and His Worship the Mayor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. G. McGee appeared before the Board re moving building back on Lot 32 Dupont Street.
It was moved by Alderman McPhaiden that the request be granted conditional on Mr McGee filing plan of building in City Engineers Office.
Carried.

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Communications
From J.A. Fairchild declining to furnish paving mixture for repair works by inexperienced men.

City Engineer to write regretting small quantity and to furnish statement of cost of men to superintend laying of same.

From A.E. Carter applying for permit to build a brick and stone stove on Lot 27.,Block 14, Sub 196, Dupont Street.
Plans were approved.

From Parr & Fee on behalf of Methodist Missionary Society applying for sidewalk in front of Chinese Mission on Carrall Street.
Engineer and Alderman Foreman to examine and report.

From W. Scott requesting sidewalk on Hawks Avenue from Corner of Princess Street facing six new houses
To be done by ward foreman.

From Parr & Fee asking for permanent grade Corner of Seventh Avenue and Westminster Avenue
Referred to Alderman Wood to see property owners adjoining and report.

From W. Williams requesting that Streets surrounding Blk 124, Sub 264a be cleared.
Referred to Alderman Wood to examine and report.

From C.T.W. Piper re need of drainage at Block 58 Cambie Street.
Filed as work has been ordered.

From John Mason asking that boulevard be done in front of Lot Blk 76, DL 196 Keefer Street.
Will be done when cutting in that vicinity.

From Sister Irene for the Sisters of Charity, St. Paul's Hospital re closing part of lane in Blk 9, DL 185.
Laid over.

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From T.O. Townley re condition of Seaton Street and Corner of Hastings and Burrard.
Referred to City Engineer and Chairman.

From P.J. Langen asking for the continuation of grading on Venables Street.
Referred to Alderman Foreman.

From F.M. Shunn asking that stumps be removed from front of Lot 16, Block 54 Graveley Street.
Ward Foreman to attend to.

From A.E. Garrett requesting that alley way be cleared at rear of Lots 3 & 9, Block 13, 185
Referred to Chain gang.

The Engineer was instructed to get prices for steam engine and also wind mill for pumping at Cemetery.

## New Work

The cutting of grade on Campbell Avenue between Cordova Street E. and Powell Street.

Running walk on Smythe Street from Cambie Street to Bridge.

Prepare Burrard Street for rock from Barclay Street to St. Paul's Hospital.

Sidewalk on Nicola Street, 32 feet south of Burnaby.

Level off Corner of Ninth Avenue and Alder Street.

Trim up Davie Street.

Sidewalk on Hastings Street from the Club to Burrard Street North Side.

The Plans for the Shendahl Block Water Street were not approved.

Plans for Harvey Haddon Block not approved as skylight is contrary to By-Law.

The following accounts were passed for payment:

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|---|---|
| H. Lockwood | 141.12 |
| G.E. McDonald | 13.80 |
| Kievell & Taylor | 7.50 |
| Evans, Coleman & Evans | 11.54 |

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| Robertson & Hackett | 75.41 |
| W.L. Tait | 33.18 |

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| Crickmay Bros. | 385.18 |
| Royal City Mills | 404.46 |
| W. Tytler Lumber Co | 9.12 |

The Committee then adjourned.

Moved by Alderman Grant.
Seconded by Alderman McGuigan.
That the report be adopted as read.
Carried.

The **Finance Committee** met on Friday May 4th 1900.
Present Aldermen McQueen, Shaw, Barker and Baxter.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

From Webber and Phillips re account for supplying special receipts in books of 100 each and stating that the amount of $12.10 was altered to $3.50 for 4,000 receipts by the City and stated that they are willing to accept the sum of $11.00.
Filed.

Resolved that the City Clerk be allowed two weeks leave of absence and that the City Accountant be empowered to sign cheques and vouchers during his absence.

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

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|---|---|
| Thomson Stat Co. | 19.00 |
| City Grocery Co. | 1.90 |
| "True Knight" | 11.50 |
| C.P.R. Telegraph | 1.67 |
| B.C. Elec Ry Co. | 2212.33 |
| News Ad | 155.98 |

The Board then adjourned

Moved by Alderman McQueen
Seconded by Alderman Barker
That the Report be adopted as read.
Carried.

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On motion of Aldermen Baxter and Wood, a deputation consisting of Miss Bowes and Mrs. Hackett was heard re Rescue Home and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman McQueen,
Seconded by Alderman Foreman.
That the invitation of the Reeve and Council of North Vancouver be accepted with thanks.
Carried.

Moved by Alderman McQueen,
Seconded by Alderman Shaw.
That the Mayor be instructed to wire $200.00 for the Sandon Relief Fund.
Carried.

On motion of Aldermen Baxter and McQueen, Mr. Bodwell's letter re Land for Cemetery was referred to the Health Committee. Health Committee also to see amount of available ground for burial purposes.

On motion of Alderman Wood, Mr. Perry addressed the Council on sidewalk question.
The matter was referred to the Board of Works.

It was moved that the Wharf Agreement with Capt. Cates be considered.
Moved in amendment by Alderman Wood
Seconded by Alderman Foreman

That tenders be called for on the terms of the draft agreement.
Lost.

After consideration, moved by Ald. McQueen
Seconded by Alderman McGuigan
That Agreement as amended be approved on condition of the Contractor furnishing 2 bondsmen of $1,000 each to the satisfaction of the Council.
Carried.

## Motions

Moved by Alderman Wood
Seconded by Alderman Foreman

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That the City Clerk write to the Harbour Master in regard to the removal of dolphins near the Wharf.
Carried.

Moved by Alderman Wood
Seconded by Alderman Baxter
That the steam roller be taken over False Creek to Ward 5.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Grant
Seconded by Alderman Neelands
That the matter be referred to the Board of Works.
Motion lost amendment carried.

Moved by Alderman Barker
Seconded by Alderman Foreman
That this Council pass a similar resolution to the one received from E.A. MacDonald, Mayor of Toronto, in respect to Government ownership of the telegraph and telephone systems and to their being operated in connection with the postal system of Canada.
Laid over by request.

## Notice of Motion

Alderman Shaw gave notice that at the next meeting of the Council he would move that the City Council call for applications for a suitable man to devote his entire attention to beautifying and taking care of the Cemetery Grounds at a salary of sixty dollars a month applications to be in on or before 3pm next Monday to be balloted for Monday night next.

## Consideration of By-Laws

Moved by Alderman Foreman
Seconded by Alderman McQueen
That the School By-Law be read a third time.
Carried.

The By-Law was accordingly read a 3rd time.

The Council then adjourned.

James F. Garden
Mayor

ThS. F. McGuigan
City Clerk