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## MINUTES

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Vancouver June 11<sup>th</sup> 1888,

The Council met on Monday June 11<sup>th</sup> 1888 at 7:30 P. M.

Present His Worship Mayor Oppenheimer, Aldermen Alexander, Clark, Couth, Dougall, Brighthouse, Humphries, Lefevre, and Oppenheimer.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

### Communications

From H. J. Cambie et al praying that a Sidewalk be laid on Georgia Street. Referred to the Board of Works.

From Mrs. E. Gold et al praying that the Fire Limits be extended from Water Street North.

From G. L. Boyd et al praying that Westminster Avenue be graded to 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Referred to the Board of Works.

From Wm. Webster asking that the Council inspect his Agency on Hastings Street. Filed.

From Mrs. Thain on behalf of the W. C. T. U. asking to be allowed to have a stand on the Streets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July for the Sale of refreshments etc.

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### Reports

Works

No. 20

The Board of Works met on Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> 1888 and beg to report that the following tenders have been received:

Fifth Avenue

H. Comacher

Grading etc per ft 39 cts

Logs per ft 7 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

Tierney & McDonald

Grading etc per ft 24 cts

Logs per ft 50 cts

Bridges per m ft 17.50

McDonald & Cameron

Grading etc per ft 32 cts

Bridges per m ft 18.00

Culverts per m ft 16.00

J. H. McKay

Grading etc per ft 30 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 17.00

Sixth Avenue, West

F. Foubert

Grading etc per ft 40 cts

Logs per ft 7 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 17.00

Boyd & Clandening

Grading etc per ft 42 cts

Logs per ft 8 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 16.00

H. Comacher

Grading etc per ft 43 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

Bridges per m ft 18.00

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Frank Cerra & Co. East & West

Grading etc per ft 24 cts

Culverts each 8.50

Tierney & McDonald, East & West

Grading per ft 26 cts

Logs per ft 50 cts

Bridging per m ft 17.50

McDonald & Cameron

Grading etc per ft 45 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 17.00

Sixth Avenue, East

F. Foubert

Grading etc per ft 40 cts

Logs per ft 7 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 17.00

McDonald & Cameron

Grading etc per ft 25 cts

Bridges per m ft 18.00

Culverts per m ft 16.00

J. H. McKay

Grading etc per ft 22 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 17.00

R. A. Baynes

Grading etc per ft 24 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

Bridges per m ft 24.00

Logs per m ft 7 cts

H. Comacher

Grading etc per ft 32 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

Boyd & Clandening

Grading etc per ft 32 cts

Logs per ft 8 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 16.00

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Seventh Avenue

Boyd & Clandening

Grading etc per ft 32 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 16.00

Logs per m ft 8 cts

Geo Redmond & Co.

Grading etc per ft 21 cts

Culverts per m ft 16.00

H. Comacher

Grading etc per ft 20 cts

Culverts per m ft 16.00

Logs per m ft 7 cts

R. A. Baynes

Grading etc per ft 25 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

Logs per m ft 7 cts

Tierney & McDonald

Grading etc per ft 24 cts

Bridges per m ft 17.50

Logs per m ft 50 cts

J. H. McKay

Grading etc per ft 20 cts

Culverts & Bridges per m ft 17.00

McDonald & Cameron

Grading etc per ft 28 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 17.00

John Hudson

Grading etc per ft 21 cts

Logs per m ft 8 cts

Planks per m ft 16.00

Quebec Street

John Hudson

Grading etc per ft 18 cts

Logs per m ft 8 cts

Planks per m ft 16.00

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John Reid

Grading etc per ft 19 cts

Box drains per m ft 14.00

McDonald & Cameron

Grading etc per ft 22 cts

Bridges & Culverts per m ft 16.00

Tierney & McDonald

Grading etc per ft 24 cts

Logs per ft 50 cts

Bridges per m ft 17.50

Frank Cerra & Co.

Grading etc per ft 25 cts

Culverts each 8.50

R. A. Baynes

Grading etc per ft 19 cts

Logs per ft 7 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

Malcolm McIntyre

Grading etc per ft 22 cts

Culverts per m ft 16.00

F. Foubert

Grading etc per ft 35 cts

Logs per ft 7 cts

Culverts per m ft 17.00

H. Comacher

Grading etc per ft 17 cts

Culverts per m ft 16.00

James Dunlop

Grading etc per ft 21 cts

Culverts per m ft 16.00

Square lumber per ft 9 cts

Round lumber per ft 7 cts

Geo Redmond & Co.

Grading etc per ft 17 cts

Bridges per m ft 16.00

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#### Melville Street Sidewalk

J. C. McCurdie per ft 20 ½ cts

D. McAllister per ft 20 cts

#### Granville Street Sidewalk

D. McAllister per ft 39 cts

James Ironside per ft 28 cts

We recommend that the contracts be awarded as follows:-

For Fifth Avenue, Tierney & McDonald

For Sixth Avenue, East & West Cerra & Co.

For Seventh Avenue, H. Comacher.

For Quebec Street, H. Comacher.

For Granville Street Sidewalk Jas Ironside

For Melville Street Sidewalk D. McAllister

We recommend:-

- (1) That Quebec Street be opened up to 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue west to the Boundary of 302, and to extend a street running north from 6<sup>th</sup> Av. to the shore as petitioned for.
- (2) That the City Engineer examine and report upon the extension of 7<sup>th</sup> Av. East to Block 95, 264A and Richards and Seymour Streets from Pacific Street North four blocks with sidewalks on the latter streets as petitioned for.
- (3) That Mr. Browning, Assistant Land Commissioner, be respectfully asked to survey Davie, Nelson, and Haro Streets from Burrard Street to Nicola Street; Thurlow, Jervis and Nicola Streets from shore to shore and the streets not surveyed in 541

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- (4) That in future the alley between Water and Cordova Streets be known as Deighton Alley

from Carrall Street to Abbott Street and as Mannion Alley from Abbott Street to Cambie St.

- (5) That plans and specifications be prepared for the construction of a draw bridge across False Creek from the foot of Granville Street at a cost not to exceed \$ [no figure given]
- (6) That the sidewalk on the South Side of Alexander Street be extended to Hawkes Avenue and that Hawkes Avenue be graded from Alexander Street to Powell Street and that one sidewalk be laid thereon; that Carl Avenue be opened from Alexander to Dupont Street full width and that the 4 foot sidewalk on Powell Street between Jackson Avenue and Carl Avenue be lifted and laid on Carl Avenue, and that the sidewalks on Powell Street be extended to Campbell Avenue, 8 ft wide
- (7) That the assistant now employed by the City Engineer be paid \$75.00 per month from the date of engagement
- (8) That the following accounts be paid:

Tattersalls Stables \$2.50  
Lye & Co 6.15  
John Matthews 2.75  
W. K. Williamson 1.00  
E. Cook hospital \$175.00  
F. Scotney Well hospital 87.30  
J. T. McDonald Crossings 2.00  
R. Low Trail on Park Road 22.00

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James Dunlop Land \$480.00  
Augus McLellan Burning 13.00

- (9) That Mr. Abbott be requested to kindly furnish us with the plans and specifications of the proposed road running to the North Arm.

Sgd, S. Brighthouse, Chairman

Moved by Alderman Lefevre seconded by Alderman Clark. That the Report of the Board of Works be adopted. Carried.

#### By-Laws

Alderman Humphries introduced a By-Law to amend Section 6 of By-Law No 40 which was read a first & second time.

#### Committee

The Council went into Committee of the Whole on By-Law with Alderman Humphries in the Chair.

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

Alderman Humphries introduced a By-Law to amend By-Law No 49, which was read a first time.

#### Motions

Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded by Alderman Oppenheimer. That the City Solicitor be instructed to communicate

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with Mr. E. Crow Baker, owner of Lot 14, Block 64 District Lot 185 with a view of coming to terms for the purchase of the said lot and if satisfactory negotiations cannot be entered into that said Solicitor be empowered to make arrangements for its expropriation. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Couth. That \$300.00 be voted by Council to defray the expense of sending exhibits to the Toronto Exhibition. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Lefevre seconded by Alderman Clark. That a special Engineer be employed to supervise the plans and the construction of False Creek Bridge, Surface drains, laying of Water and Gas pipes and other duties which may be required by him. Carried.

#### Notices of Motion

Alderman Alexander gave notice that at the next meeting of the Council he would introduce a By-Law for granting a bonus not exceeding \$ \_\_\_ to any person or body corporate who will establish a blast furnace and rolling mills within the limits of Vancouver

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Alderman Oppenheimer gave notice that at the next meeting of Council he would introduce a By-Law to exempt from taxation the property and establishment of any Company or individual, building and running a proper mill in the City such exemption to be for a period of 20 years, also that at the next meeting of Council he would introduce a By-Law to appoint Park Commissioners said Commissioners to have full power and control and exercise the powers in said By-Law to improve and maintain said park.

The Council then adjourned

D. Oppenheimer, Mayor

Thos. F. McGuigan, City Clerk