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MINUTES

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Vancouver Oct 21st 1889

The Council met on Monday, October 21st 1889 at 5 P.M.

Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Brewer, Brighthouse, Costello, Horne, Mason, McConnell, Oppenheimer, Salsbury and Whetham.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Communications

From E. J. Curran et al praying Council to improve Westminster Road from the City Boundary to the Junction. Referred to Board of Works.

From Angus McAlister et al praying Council to grade and sidewalk Seymour Street from Drake to Davie Streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From John P. Lawson, City Engineer and Street Railway Co. on the Subject of the Westminster Avenue Bridge. Filed.

From F. C. Innes enclosing an account for Street Works. Referred to Board of Works.

From A. J. Monat Secy. Treas. of Vancouver Free Reading Room requesting Council to make a further grant in aid of the Library. Referred to Finance Committee.

Reports

Finance

No 29

The Finance Committee met on Friday October 18th 1889.

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Present His Worship, the Mayor and Aldermen Salsbury, Clark and Costello.

We beg to recommend:

1. That the following accounts be paid:

Vancouver Water Works Coy,	\$6.99
World P & P Co. Printing	93.66
S. T. Tilley, Stationery	23.85
T. C. Townley, Registration	12.25
Thomson Bros, Stationery	2.03
Telephone Co. Rents	16.00
H. McConvey, Express hire	4.50
News Advertiser, Pamphlets	516.80
Deputy Returning Officers	50.00
Richard Steel, Express hire	1.50
J. Miller, Rent of P.O. Box	2.00
J. M. Browning Interest	37.67

2. That the Report of the Board of Works read at last meeting of Council be confirmed.

Sgd. W. F. Salisbury, Chairman

Moved by Alderman Brighthouse, seconded by Alderman Brewer. That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried.

F. W. & L.

No 19

The Fire, Water & Light Committee met on Wednesday, October 16th 1889.

Present Aldermen Clark, McConnell and Oppenheimer.

We beg to recommend:

1. That the following accounts be paid:

Vancouver Water Works Co.	\$601.34
Crowder & Penzer, Feed	10.07
A. Godfrey & Co. Supplies	3.75
C. Nelson, Drugs	6.60
H. Baker, Attendance	7.50
Vancouver Transfer Co.	1.00

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O'Toole & Ralph	\$8.25
Vancouver Electric Ill Co.	288.45
Vancouver City Foundry	2.50
S. T. Tilley, Stationery	2.65
John Wolfe, Scavenging	8.00
Palmer Bros. Coal etc	60.47

2. That an electric light be placed in the Fire Inspector's Office.
3. That the Chairman of this Committee be authorized to arrange for installing sufficient electric lights in Fire Hall No. 1 and report.
4. That a team of horses be purchased for the Fire Department and that Alderman McConnell be authorized to select same, such selection to be approved of by this Committee.
5. That a Saddle be purchased for the Fire Department and a shed erected and blacksmith's tools purchased as recommended by the Chief of the Brigade.

Sgd. I. Oppenheimer, Chairman

Moved by Alderman McConnell, seconded by Alderman Oppenheimer. That the Report of the F. W. & L. Committee be adopted. Carried.

Motions

Moved by Alderman McConnell, seconded by Alderman Brewer. That the following accounts be paid:

Hon. Mr. Justice Drake, Police Investigation \$100.00

Carried.

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Moved by Alderman Brighthouse, seconded by Alderman Whetham. That the following accounts be paid:

Arthur Carling Labor on Sewers	\$2.50
Ed Turner Labor on Sewers	2.50
P. Atkinson etal Street Work	176.25
R. Rutherford, St. Sprinkling	237.25

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Horne, seconded by Alderman Brewer. That the Street Railway Co be granted the privilege of widening the present Westminster Avenue Bridge across False Creek; twelve feet on the West Side under the Supervision of the City Engineer at a cost not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, the City to pay one half the cost to the Railway Co. and the Railway Company the other half. The addition so constructed to be devoted exclusively to the use of the Street Railway Co. except such lines as repairs to the present bridge should render the use of the said addition necessary for the public and that the Agreement with the St. Ry. Co. be amended accordingly by the City Solicitor and reported to this Council subject to the Charter. Carried.

Notice of Motion

Alderman Salsbury gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the Council he would introduce a By-Law to fix a price to offer for the works of the Vancouver Water Works Co. under the provisions of subsection 5, subhead "1" of Section 142 of the Vancouver Incorporation Act 1886.

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The Council then adjourned.

D. Oppenheimer, Mayor

Thos. F. McGuigan, City Clerk