

MEETING NO. 44

Tuesday, October 11th, 1938.

Regular Meeting of Council held
in the Council Chamber - 8 p.m.
Present: His Worship Mayor Fry,
Ald. Knott, Grout, Brown,
McCreath, Macdonald,
Ogilvie, Campbell,
Commissioner Gibb,
Commissioner Hodgson,
City Solicitor Garside,
City Comptroller Campbell.

The Mayor declared the meeting open for the trans-
action of business.

MINUTES

MOVED Ald. Grout-Campbell,

That the Minutes of Meeting No. 43 be taken as read
and adopted. CARRIED.

St. Catharines
re Loyalty to
Great Britain
of Canada

ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS

City of St. Catharines, Ontario, dated September 27th,
forwarding resolution urging the Right Honourable W. L.
Mackenzie King to express to His Majesty's Government of
Great Britain the loyalty of Canada, and requesting that
a similar resolution be adopted by the City of Edmonton.

MOVED Ald. Brown-McCreath,

That this be filed. CARRIED.

Ald. Casselman, Bisset, and Paterson took their seats.

Henry Hollinger, dated October 3rd, asking for an
extension on payment of tax arrears.

Henry
Hollinger
re
Tax Arrears

MOVED Ald. Macdonald-Campbell,

That an extension of time be granted to December 31st,
1938. CARRIED.

City Clerk re
Elections

City Clerk, dated October 6th, reporting:-

"1. Polling Hours

Under the provisions of the City Charter it
is necessary to authorize the Bylaw for the
Municipal Elections to be held Wednesday, November
9th, and to fix the hours of voting. Section 124
provides that the polls shall be kept open from
9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and that Council may extend the
time from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. For several years the
polling hours have been 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., or 9 a.m.
to 7:30 p.m. The necessary Bylaw has been prepared
by the City Solicitor with the hours of voting to
be set by Council."

Polling Hours

MOVED Ald. Knott-Brown,

That the Polling Hours be fixed from 9 a.m. to
7:30 p.m. CARRIED.

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Attest

Money
Bylaws

"2. Voting on Money Bylaws

Pointing out that if it is the intention of Council to refer any specific questions to the Burgesses it will be necessary to decide immediately in order to comply with the legal advertising requirements contained in Section 252 of the Charter, viz:-

'(1) The Council shall publish a notice in some newspaper in the city once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding the day of general voting. At least one day, which may be a Sunday, shall intervene between the day of the last publication and said voting day

The most suitable advertising dates would be:-

Saturday, October 22nd,
Saturday, October 29th,
Saturday, November 5th.

The latest possible dates for such advertising being:-

Monday, October 24th,
Monday, October 31st,
Monday, November 7th."

MOVED Ald. Bisset-Paterson,

That this be received as information. CARRIED.

"3. Campaign Meetings

Requesting that the usual Committee be named to report at next meeting re Campaign Meetings, Appointments, Rate of pay, etc.. The practice for many years has been to appoint the continuing members of Council for this purpose."

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Bisset,

That the continuing members of Council be appointed a Special Committee re Election Campaign Meetings, etc. CARRIED.

Town Planning Commission, Minutes of Meeting No. 4, September 13th, 1938.

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Grout,

That this be received as information. CARRIED.

City Engineer, dated October 11th, reporting:-

"The lists of proposed Local Improvements authorized by the Council on the 12th of September to be advertised, have been duly advertised in the Bulletin and Journal in their issues of the 17th and 24th of September.

"These works consist of Grading, Gravelling and Concrete Curbs; Plank Walk of three 12" Planks wide; Grading and Gravelling; Bituminous Walk with concrete

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Campaign
Meetings
Appointments
& Rate of
Pay, Etc.

Town Planning
Commission

Local Improve-
ments Grading
Gravelling
Curbing, Walks

Atkinson

Local
Improvements
Grading,
Gravelling
Curbing, Walks

"Base; Lane Grading and Gravelling.

"A protest has been received against the construction of grading, gravelling and concrete curbs on 86th Avenue from 99th to 100th Street, this protest has been certified to be insufficiently signed,

"Provided you have not received any other protest, the remainder of the works are in order to be authorized for construction."

MOVED Ald. Ogilvie-Brown,

That the work be proceeded with except the item for which there is an insufficiently signed protest, and that the Commissioners submit a report on this. CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Campbell,

That we resolve into committee of the whole to consider Finance Committee Report No. 20. CARRIED.

Council resolved into committee with Ald. McCreath in the Chair.

National
Housing Act.

1. C.R. 32-5 National Housing Act

"Commissioner Gibb verbally reported further correspondence with the Department at Ottawa pursuant to instructions of Council at meeting of September 26th.

After general discussion of the provisions of the Act we recommend:-

- (a) That as soon as possible the Mayor of the City go to Ottawa and personally interview the Government relative to the Dominion Housing Act, 1938, and discuss suggestions to make it available to the City of Edmonton.
- (b) We also recommend that there be a Plebiscite at the ensuing Civic Elections in proper form asking the opinion of the burgesses on the Dominion Housing Act."

MOVED Ald. Bisset,

That we concur in Section (a). LOST.

MOVED Ald. Bisset,

That Section (b) be concurred in, the Commissioners to draft the form of question for submission to the Burgesses. CARRIED.

On motion of Ald. Bisset the committee rose and Ald. McCreath as Chairman reported consideration of Finance Committee Report No. 20 recommending adoption as dealt with.

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Campbell,

That the report of the committee of the whole be adopted. CARRIED.

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BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19

MOVED Ald. Brown-McCreath,

That we resolve into committee of the whole to consider Bylaws Committee Report No. 19. CARRIED.

Council resolved into committee with Ald. Brown in the Chair.

Restaurant
Bylaw

1. Amending of Restaurant Bylaw No. 54 (1926) Sec. 63 (a)

"Dr. G. M. Little, M.H.O., was present and explained that the matter had been taken up further with the License Inspector and that they see no objection to reducing the seating capacity from 16 to 15 to conform with the Provincial regulations.

"Draft of proposed Amendment to the License Bylaw was submitted by City Solicitor Garside.

"We recommend approval of the proposed amendment to the License Bylaw as suggested by the City Solicitor."

MOVED Ald. Campbell,

That this be concurred in. AGREED.

Pension Scheme 2.
Civic Employees

2. Pension Scheme - Civic Employees

"We have carefully considered the attached report of the City Commissioners, dated October 6th, and have fully discussed the proposal with representatives of the Federation of Civic Employees and the City Comptroller who explained the plan in detail.

"Your committee is in favour of the principle of a pension scheme for Civic Employees and we endorse the report of the City Commissioners of October 6th and recommend same to Council for final adoption, the details to be worked out as between the Commissioners and the Federation.

"For further information of Council the revised statement of Comptroller Campbell is submitted herewith."

City Commissioner Hodgson read letter, dated October 11th from the Edmonton Civic Employees' Federation stating that the following Unions in the Federation endorse the establishment of a pension scheme for Civic Employees in lieu of restoration of wages for the present year:-

Civic Service Union No. 52.
Edmonton City Fire Fighters Union No. 209.
Edmonton Civic Employees Union No. 30.
The Edmonton Police Association.
Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees Local Division No. 569.

Mr. Small on behalf of himself asked for more time to consider the Pension Scheme before it was adopted, and that he and several others in the Fire Department had not had an opportunity to vote on same.

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Pension Scheme
Civic Employees

Mr. Irwin, representing the All-Canadian Union of the Street Railway, stated that their Union was 100% opposed to the proposed Pension Scheme and that they did not feel that they were in a position to contribute towards it at present. He stated that he had a petition of 50 street railway employees against it.

Mr. M. Ainslie, representing Local No. 30, stated that several Federation meetings had been held in regard to this matter and that the members of his Union are among the poorest paid men working for the City, and that they were in favour of the Pension Scheme.

MOVED Ald. Macdonald,

That this matter be referred back to the Committee for further survey.

AMENDMENT MOVED Ald. Bisset,

That the recommendation be concurred in and the report of the Commissioners be adopted.

AMENDMENT put and declared CARRIED.

Hiring &
Appointment
of Employees

3. (a) C.R. 7-3 Retirement of Employees.
(b) Appointment of Employees.
(c) Hiring of Employees - Age Limit

-Progress Report. AGREED.

On motion of Ald. Ogilvie the committee rose and Ald. Brown as Chairman reported consideration of Bylaws Committee Report No. 19 recommending adoption as dealt with.

MOVED Ald. Brown-Paterson,

That the report of the committee of the whole be adopted. CARRIED.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT NO. 38

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Paterson,

That we resolve into committee of the whole with the Mayor in the Chair to consider Commissioners Report No. 38. CARRIED.

Council resolved into committee with Mayor Fry in the Chair.

Tax
Collections

1. Comparative Statement of Tax Collections 1937/1938 to September 30th

MOVED Ald. Paterson,

That this be received as information. AGREED.

Electric Light
Department -
Lady
Demonstrator

2. Electric Light Department - Lady Demonstrator

Submitting report on the duties of Miss McPherson, who was appointed as Lady Sales and Service Demonstrator in the Electric Light Department in the early part of the year.

MOVED Ald. Grout,

That this be received as information. AGREED.

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Plumbing
Survey

3. Plumbing Survey

"With reference to the follow-up of the plumbing survey made some time ago, Dr. Little again reports that it is his intention to attend to this work in detail during the winter months when the worst conditions disclosed by the inspection will be corrected."

MOVED Ald. Bisset,

That this be received as information. AGREED.

Community
League
Skating Rinks
1938-1939

4. Community League Rinks - Season 1938-39

Recommending that the same policy as prevailed last year in regard to this matter be continued for the forthcoming winter season.

MOVED Ald. Paterson,

That this be adopted. AGREED.

Trolley Buses
(Tenders)

5. Trolley Buses

"Tenders have been received for the supply of six (6) thirty-eight (38) passenger trolley buses. Specifications were issued on July 21st and bids closed on September 30th, thus allowing time for British and American manufacturers to submit well considered proposals. Competition has been keen and many of the manufacturers sent representatives to Edmonton. Following is a tabulation of bids received:-

<u>BRITISH BUSES</u>	<u>Horse Power</u>	<u>Speed on level</u>	<u>3 axle</u>	<u>2 axle</u>
Ransomme Simms	90	31 M.P.H.	\$16,351	
Karrier	90	31 "	16,660	\$15,655
Sunbeam Co.	95	31 "	16,871	15,658
English Electric	115	40 "	17,053	16,010
Leyland	135	43 "	17,943	15,830

AMERICAN BUSES

Twin Coach		38 pass.	\$15,977	
		41 "	16,304	
		44 "	16,630	
Pullman Standard Car Mfg. Co.			16,256	
J. G. Brill Co.			16,449	
St. Louis Car Co.			16,531	
General Motors			17,200	
Mack Trucks			17,451	

"The American firms make only two axle buses while British manufacturers turn out both two and three axle jobs. Supt. Ferrier, as a result of his visit to United States points and Montreal, is of the definite opinion that the three axle job gives better riding quality. Copies of Mr. Ferrier's letter and Mr. Watson's report are attached.

"In view of their recommendation we finally eliminated all bids except those of the English Electric Company and the Leyland Company which are the only bids submitted on three axle equipment complying with our specified speeds. The decision between the two has been a very close one and we feel that we would get satisfactory equipment from either firm. However in view of the fact

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(Tenders)

that both Mr. Ferrier and Mr. Watson have actually examined the English Electric Company's buses in Montreal, your Commissioners agree with them in recommending that the bid of Messrs. Gorman's Limited for English Electric buses be accepted at a price of \$17,053.00 per bus. It is essential that the order be placed immediately as delivery will not be made before next July and all paving improvements have to be done after the buses are running. This means that paving construction will be carried on until near the freeze-up of 1939."

MOVED Ald. Brown,

That any delegations in this matter be heard.
AGREED.

Mr. Christmas, representing Watrous Limited and Leyland Motor Company, appeared in support of their tender.

Mr. Garnet and Mr. Cunningham, representing Gormans Ltd. who are associated with the English Electric Company in the manufacture of trolley buses, appeared in support of their tender.

Ald. Macdonald was excused and left the meeting.

In reply to the suggestion that three buses be allotted to each company, Mr. Cunningham stated that he would have to get in touch with his factory as to whether they would be willing to put in a supply of parts for three buses.

Mr. Christmas stated that he would have to wire to find out if they could advance the delivery date on three buses.

Superintendent Ferrier stated that he thought there should be a reserve of power, and that the electrical engineers, Mr. Watson and Mr. McFarlane of the Power Plant, thought that 115 H.P. would be sufficient. Also that he would be satisfied if three buses were allotted to each of the two companies.

MOVED Ald. Paterson-Grout,

That if the Leyland Company can advance the delivery date satisfactory to the Commissioners and provided that the English Electric Company will undertake to put in a stock on consignment to be paid for as the parts are put into the buses - and provided satisfactory arrangements can be made by Commissioner Gibb for a uniform body by both firms - that we award a contract for three English Electric and three Leyland buses.

AMENDMENT MOVED Ald. Ogilvie,

That we purchase six buses from the Leyland Company.

AMENDMENT put and declared

LOST.

MOTION put and declared

CARRIED.

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National
Housing Act.

6. National Housing Act

"The following telegram has been received from Dr. W. C. Clark, Deputy Minister of Finance, in response to an enquiry:-

'City of Edmonton could qualify as local authority under Part 1 of National Housing Act if City has authority under its charter to undertake a housing scheme. If you send us proposed amendments to charter we will advise if powers to be granted are adequate.'

"There still remains the difficulty, however, of finding the money to lend. It would appear most unlikely that the Dominion Government would advance it without authority at the next session of parliament."

MOVED Ald. Bisset,

That this be received as information. AGREED.

On motion of Ald. Brown the Committee rose and Mayor Fry as Chairman reported consideration of Commissioners Report No. 38 recommending adoption as dealt with.

MOVED Ald. Bisset-Casselman,

That the report of the committee of the whole be adopted. CARRIED.

MOVED Ald. Brown-Grout,

That the time of sitting be extended to 11:15 p.m. CARRIED.

Enquiries

ENQUIRIES

Unemployed
Labor.
Streets &
Crossings.

Ald. Ogilvie enquired as to how many unemployed men we have in town. Also what inspection is made of streets in the City, particularly in regard to crossings, and how they are allowed to be in the condition they are, with such a number of unemployed persons available.

Oiling &
Watering
Streets.
Blotter
Material.

Ald. Brown requested that in view of the inadequacy and temporary nature of oiling and watering of City streets, that the City Engineer consider and report on the advisability of covering a portion of the City's gravelled streets with a blotter material as soon as work is feasible in the Spring.

Salvage
Corps -
Fire
Department

Ald. McCreath asked that the Commissioners confer with the Underwriters Association with a view to them establishing at their own expense a salvage corps to be attached to the Fire Department, and that a report be submitted to Council in this connection.

Taxation
Survey
Mr. Duggan.

Ald. Brown asked for a report as to what action, if any, has been taken, or is contemplated, on the information gathered by Mr. Duggan in his taxation survey.

Safety Zones
for Pedestrians
at 109th St.

Ald. Casselman enquired as to why the safety zones at 109th Street have been removed, and whether they are going to be replaced. If not, what is going to be done for the protection of pedestrians.

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Answers to
Enquiries

ANSWERS TO ENQUIRIES

Report of Commissioners dated October 11th was considered:-

Traffic
Supervision
109th St. &
Jasper Ave.

1. Traffic Supervision at 109th Street & Jasper Avenue
(Ald. Grout)

MOVED Ald. Grout-Brown,

That this be received as information. CARRIED.

Flushing
Streets -
South Side

2. Flushing Streets - South Side (Ald. Paterson)

MOVED Ald. Paterson-McCreath,

That this be received as information. CARRIED.

National
Housing Act.

3. National Housing Act (Ald. Ogilvie)

MOVED Ald. Ogilvie-Casselmann,

That this be received as information. CARRIED.

Oiling of
Streets

4. Oiling of Streets (Ald. Grout)

MOVED Ald. Grout-Brown,

That this be received as information. CARRIED.

MOTIONS

Local
Improvements -
Grading,
Gravelling,
Curbing,
Walks

Re: Local Improvements - Letter from City Engineer,
dated October 11th, 1938

It was agreed that Mr. H. Gilbert be heard.

Mr. Gilbert appeared protesting against the grading, gravelling, and curbing of 102nd Avenue between 123rd and 124th Streets.

MOVED Ald. Paterson-Campbell,

That the time of sitting be extended to 11:30 p.m. CARRIED.

MOVED Ald. Paterson-Casselmann,

That the works referred to in letter dated October 11th, 1938, from the City Engineer, having been duly advertized in accordance with the provisions of The Edmonton Charter and relevant bylaws and no sufficiently signed protests having been received within the time limited that the construction of said works be and the same are hereby authorized to be constructed, except the following, namely:-

Grading, gravelling, and concrete curbs on 86th Avenue from 99th to 100th Streets;

Grading, gravelling, and concrete curbs on 102nd Avenue from 123rd to 124th Streets;

And these be referred to the Commissioners for report. CARRIED.

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NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Ald. Brown gave notice that at next meeting he will move:-

Floodlighting
Genotaph.

"That the Commissioners be authorized to proceed with the floodlighting of the Genotaph with two lights in line with the information submitted to Council at its last meeting."

Ald. Ogilvie gave notice that at next meeting he will move:-

Taxation
Research
Bureau

"That the City, with a view to the establishment of a more equitable system of land taxation and raising City revenues, establish a Taxation Research Bureau to be placed in charge of a competent person on a part time basis, and that such Bureau carry out such enquiries and make such reports as Council or the Commissioners may direct or request."

In accordance with notice Page 316 it was

MOVED Ald. Ogilvie-Bisset,

National
Housing Act.

That the Commissioners be given power to set aside 200 City-owned lots, under Part 3 of the National Housing Act, to be available for purchase subject to the restrictions under the Act at \$50.00 each, the lots to be set aside for two years for this purpose. CARRIED.

Ald. McCreath gave notice that at next meeting he will move:-

Land
Department.
Regulations
Sales up to
\$10,000.00

"That the Land Department regulations be amended to provide that the Commissioners be authorized to complete sales up to an assessed value of \$10,000.00 instead of the limitation of \$5,000.00 as at present without confirmation of Council."

BYLAWS.

B. L. 902 -
St. Railway
& Electric
Light Sub-
station

Bylaw No. 902 - \$157,000.00 - Street Railway and Electric Light Sub-station.

MOVED Ald. Paterson-Bisset,

That Bylaw No. 902 be read a second time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 902 was read a second time.

MOVED Ald. Bisset-McCreath,

That we do not go into committee of the whole but that Bylaw No. 902 be now read a third time and finally passed. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 902 was read a third time and finally passed.

B. L. 903
Local
Improvements.
Property Share
- Paving.

Bylaw No. 903 - \$36,185.00 - Local Improvements Property Share - Paving.

MOVED Ald. Brown-Grout,

That Bylaw No. 903 be read a second time. CARRIED.

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B. L. 903
Local
Improvements.
Property Share
- Paving.

Bylaw No. 903 was read a second time.

MOVED Ald. Ogilvie-Paterson,

That we do not go into committee of the whole but that Bylaw No. 903 be now read a third time and finally passed. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 903 was read a third time and finally passed.

B. L. 904
Assessment
Roll - 1939

Bylaw No. 904 - Assessment Roll - 1939

MOVED Ald. Paterson-Bisset,

That Ald. McCreath have leave to introduce Bylaw No. 904. CARRIED.

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Casselmann,

That Bylaw No. 904 be read a first time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 904 was read a first time.

MOVED Ald. Bisset-Grout,

That Bylaw No. 904 be read a second time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 904 was read a second time.

MOVED Ald. McCreath-Paterson,

That we do not go into committee of the whole but that Bylaw No. 904 be now read a third time and finally passed. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Bylaw No. 904 was read a third time and finally passed.

B. L. 905
Polling Hours
Elections.

Bylaw No. 905 - Polling Hours - Municipal Elections, November 1938.

MOVED Ald. Bisset-Campbell,

That Ald. Casselman have leave to introduce Bylaw No. 905. CARRIED.

MOVED Ald. Casselman-Paterson,

That Bylaw No. 905 be read a first time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 905 was read a first time.

MOVED Ald. Grout-Campbell,

That Bylaw No. 905 be read a second time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 905 was read a second time.

MOVED Ald. Bisset-Casselmann,

That we do not go into committee of the whole but that Bylaw No. 905 be now read a third time and finally passed. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Bylaw No. 905 was read a third time and finally passed.

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B. L. 906 -
License -
Restaurants

Bylaw No. 906 - To amend License Bylaw No. 54 (1926)
Restaurants

MOVED Ald. Brown-Bisset,

That Ald. Ogilvie have leave to introduce Bylaw
No. 906. CARRIED.

MOVED Ald. Ogilvie-Paterson,

That Bylaw No. 906 be read a first time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 906 was read a first time.

MOVED Ald. Bisset-Casselmann,

That Bylaw No. 906 be read a second time. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 906 was read a second time.

MOVED Ald. Casselman-Brown,

That we do not go into committee of the whole but
that Bylaw No. 906 be now read a third time and finally
passed. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Bylaw No. 906 was read a third time and finally passed.

BUSINESS LAID OVER

Street
Railway
Rehabilitation

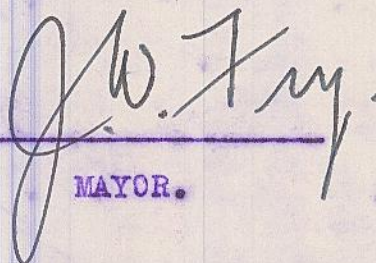
Report of Commissioner Gibb re Street Railway
Rehabilitation

MOVED Ald. Casselman-Paterson,

That this be struck off the Agenda and filed. CARRIED.

MOVED Ald. Brown-Grout,

That we do now adjourn. CARRIED.


MAYOR.


CITY CLERK.

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