

MEETING No. 32

July 23rd 1918

REGULAR MEETING of Council held in the Council Chamber.

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Evans, Ald. H. M. Martin, Pheasey,
Bush, Wilson, W. H. Martin, McCoppen, Kinney,
Acting Commissioner Ormsby.

The Mayor declared the meeting open for the transaction of business:

MINUTES

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Wilson,

That the minutes of Meeting #31 be taken as read and adopted.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Mr. William Short, K.C., on behalf of the Edmonton Power Company Limited, appeared re application for extension of hydro-electric agreement.

Letter from Messrs Short & Cross, dated July 23rd, was submitted, stating that owing to the prohibition against railroad and other construction which has been occasioned by the war, it becomes necessary for the Company to give notice that delay in the completion of the Hydro Electric Power Development Plant has been occasioned thereby and puts it out of the power of the Company to proceed with its work, so that the Company accordingly asks for a reasonable extension or extensions of time for the completion of its work.

Letter from the Edmonton Power Company Limited, dated July 23rd, advising that the communication from Messrs Short & Cross supercedes all previous communications from the Company in this matter, was also submitted;

Ald. Esdale, City Solicitor Bown and Ald. Grant took their seats.

Mr. W. H. Clegg appeared and asked that the sidewalk on the west side of 101st Street, abutting on the C. N. R. property, be renewed.

Ald. Prevey took his seat.

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Grant,

That we take up first the communications from Short & Cross and the Edmonton Power Co. Ltd. and report No. 11 of the Utilities Committee:

CARRIED:

Utilities Committee Report No. 11 - stating that the committee is unable to agree upon a joint recommendation and submitting two minority reports.

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*Edmonton
Power Co. Ltd
re extension
of Hydro-
Electric
Agreement*

*Sidewalk
101st St.*



Hydro Electric Agreement

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- W. H. Martin

That this communication be filed.
CARRIED

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Wilson,

That Utilities Committee Report No. 11
be filed. CARRIED:

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Pheasey

That we now take up Commissioners Report
No. 93 re sidewalk 101st Street. CARRIED:

Commissioners
Report No. 93 - Recommending that sidewalk on west side of
101st Street, abutting C. N. R. property, be
repaired with cinders (estimated cost \$40.00,
chargeable to maintenance of sidewalks):

MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- Bush,

That this report be filed and the matter
referred back to the Commissioners with power
to act. CARRIED:

ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS

E. S. Atkins, dated June 24th, protest for assessment for
watermain on 85 Ave. east of 91 Street, Scona Brae.

MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- Bush,

That this be referred to the Commissioners
for report. CARRIED

City Clerk, Toronto, dated June 24th, asking endorsement of
petition to the Dominion Government for an investigation into
the cause of the recent increase in price of gasoline.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Wilson

That this communication be filed.
CARRIED.

Edmonton Trades & Labour Council, dated June 29th, advising
of increase in carpenters wages from 60¢ to 70¢ per hour,
effective July 1st 1918, and asking that the Fair Wage Clause
be amended to conform thereto.

MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- H. M. Martin,

That the Fair Wage Clause of the City be
amended to make the rate per hour for carpenters
seventy cents in accordance with this request.

AMENDMENT MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- Esdale,

That this communication be referred to the
Public Works Committee and Commissioners for report.

AMENDMENT put and declared CARRIED:

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*Sidewalk
101st Street*

*E. S. Atkins,
Watermain
Assessment*

*Toronto, re
increased price
of Gasoline*

*Edmonton Trades
& Labour Council
re Fair Wage
Scale*

Grant re Telephone, St John's Ambulance

Mrs C. A. Lucas, dated June 29th, application for grant of the difference between residential and commercial rating in cost of telephone service and listing in the directory for the St. John Ambulance, V. A. D.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- Grant,

That this be referred to the Finance Committee for report. CARRIED

St. War Next of Kin Association re free light, water & phone - Orphan's Home

Great War Next of Kin Association, dated June 29th, application for grant of free light, water and telephone service at their Orphans' Home.

MOVED Ald. Prevey ----- H. M. Martin,

That this request be granted. CARRIED

J. B. Gardiner re withdrawal of lands from city

Parlee, Freeman, Mackay & Howson, dated June 29th, advising that request of J. B. Gardiner to the Board of Public Utilities Commissioners for withdrawal of part of Capital Hill subdivision from the City is set for hearing July 10th, and asking that the Tax Sale proceedings with respect to this property be postponed.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- H. M. Martin,

That this communication be filed. CARRIED:

City Solicitor re Fire Insurance rates Western Canada Fire Underwriters Assoc.

City Solicitor, dated July 6th, reporting re enquiry as to the liability for prosecution of the Western Canada Fire Underwriters Association for conspiracy in raising insurance rates.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Esdale

That this communication be filed. CARRIED:

Assessor re Land Assessment Roll

City Assessor, dated July 6th, reporting that the 1918 Land Assessment Roll has been amended according to the decisions of the Court of Revision and Court of Appeal;

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Kinney,

That the Land Assessment Roll as finally revised on appeal be now confirmed and adopted as the revised land assessment roll of the City of Edmonton for the year 1918. CARRIED:

Alberta Billiard Hall & Bowling Alley Association re License fees

Alberta Billiard Hall & Bowling Alley Proprietors' & Managers Protective Association, dated July 8th, application for rebate of amount of license fees charged in excess of the Pool Room Act.
Report of License Inspector, dated July 9th, in the matter was submitted.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Prevey

That these two communications be referred to the Commissioners with power to act. CARRIED:

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City Treasurer, dated July 9th, recommending that an additional 500 copies of the 1918 Charter Amendments be procured.

MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- Bush,

That this recommendation be approved.
CARRIED

Short & Cross, dated July 3rd, reporting that 85% of the stock of the Tipton Investment Co. is held by Captain J. W. and Lieut. T. R. Tipton, now in France on active service, and asking that the principle adopted in the case of the Franco-Belgian Coy. be applied to protect their property from the Tax Sale.

MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- Esdale,

That this communication be filed.
CARRIED:

Police Commissioners, dated July 8th, forwarding application from the Y. M. C. A. re patrol of river bank to prevent accidents by drownings and asking that life-belts be provided for the low-level bridges and at suitable places along the river bank.

MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- W. H. Martin

That this be referred to the Safety & Health Committee and Commissioners with power to act.
CARRIED.

Dominion Association of Fire Chiefs, dated Kingston, Ont. 15th July, inviting delegates to convention at Toronto, Aug. 27/30th.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Pheasey,

That this communication be filed.
CARRIED.

United Farmers of Alberta, dated July 15th, thanking Council for accommodation extended to delegates attending convention of Secretaries on July 10th.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- W. H. Martin

That this communication be received and filed.
CARRIED.

City Clerk, Hamilton, Ont., dated July 5th, asking endorsement of petition requesting the Dominion Government to take steps to provide insurance and protection for dependents of soldiers.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- H. M. Martin,

That this communication be filed.

CARRIED:

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*Mayor Evans
re Conference
re Taxation
re Questions, etc*

Mayor Evans, dated July 23rd, reporting proceedings of conference held at Calgary re taxation questions and applications now pending before the Board of Public Utility Commissioners respecting withdrawal of lands from cities, etc.

Telegram from City Clerk, Lethbridge, dated July 22nd, advising report adopted by their City Council, was submitted.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- Kinney,

That the report be adopted and the necessary appropriation be made to cover the expenses of attending the conference and preparing the plan:
CARRIED:

*Kinnaird &
Henderson
Auditors' Report
to March 31st*

Kinnaird & Henderson, dated July 22nd, forwarding report upon the books and accounts of the City for quarter to March 31, 1918 also account for \$375.00 being fee to that date.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- Grant,

That the report be received and the account paid.
CARRIED:

*Y.W.C.A. re
Tag Day*

Y. W. C. A., dated July 22nd, asking permission to hold a "Tag Day" on Saturday, October 5th.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- Wilson

That this communication be filed and the writer advised that so far as we are aware this Council has nothing to do with the regulation of Tag Days.

CARRIED:

*Patricia Square,
protest re lease
or transfer to
School Board*

John Francis et al, dated July 22nd, petition protesting against the leasing or transferring of Patricia Square to the Edmonton School Board, and against said property being used for other than park purposes.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Kinney,

That this be referred to the Parks & Markets Committee for report.

CARRIED:

*Grant of
Free telephone
service for
Catholic Bazaar*

City Commissioners to Chairman, Finance Committee, dated July 3rd, reporting having granted free telephone service in connection with Catholic Bazaar, and asking that a grant of \$8.50 be authorized to cover the account.

MOVED Ald. Esdale ----- Prevey,

That the action of the Commissioners be approved and the necessary appropriation made.
CARRIED:

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Charles

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

- 89 - Swimming Pool, Mill Creek; recommending appropriation of \$180.00 to provide a supervisor for a period not exceeding three months.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- Wilson,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 90 - Reporting re cost of sidewalk accommodation north and south sides of Jasper Av. 109 to 111 St. (Jasper Subway):

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Wilson,

That this be referred to the Public Works Committee for report.

CARRIED:

- 91 - Watermain, 88 Ave. Bonnie Doon; recommending that the extension be authorized provided the applicant (Mr Houghton) advances \$100.00 to cover labour costs, this to be refunded when the main is extended to serve the district east of his property.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Bush,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 92 - Watermain, Bellevue Addition; recommending that the extension be authorized provided the applicant (Mr McCarthy) advances \$277.20 to cover labour costs.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Pheasey,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 94 - Recommending appropriation to cover telephone and light service during Exhibition Week at the "Tanks" of the Military Y - amount not to exceed \$20.00:

MOVED Ald. W. H. Martin ----- Wilson,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 95 - Reporting changes in pay rolls for June.

MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- H. M. Martin

That this report be received and filed.
CARRIED:

- 96 - Reporting application of P. Burns Co. that the City purchase on their behalf sewer-pipe to the value of approximately \$1400.00 for work on their property; and asking authority to carry out the Company's request.

MOVED Ald. W. H. Martin ----- Kinney,

That the necessary permission be given. CARRIED:

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Swimming
Pool,
Mill Creek

Sidewalks
Jasper Subway

Water Service
Mr Houghton
88th Avenue

Water Service
Mr McCarthy
Bellevue Addition

Telephone & Light
for "Tanks" at
Exhibition

Staff changes

P. Burns Co.
Sewer

Charles H. Martin

- 97 - Recommending lease to the Western Metal & Bottle Co. of two lots on east side of Namayo (97 St), opposite the St. Regis Hotel, at an annual rental of \$50.00:

MOVED Ald. Esdale ----- Pheasey

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 98 - Recommending that the Pound Bylaw be amended to provide that the scale of charges for feeding cattle and horses may be fixed from time to time by the Commissioners.

MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- Pheasey,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 99 - Notes under Bylaw 711; reporting that at about the time of expiry of option to Wood Gundy & Co. a small transaction of \$1000.00 was made at the option price, which the Imperial Bank has requested be permitted to go through; and recommending that the request be granted.

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Wilson,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

- 100 - Reporting that the walks and roadway on the Victoria Ave. bridge are in need of repair (estimated cost \$250.00) and asking instructions.

MOVED Ald. Wilson ----- Esdale,

That this be referred to the Public Works Committee for report. CARRIED:

- 101 - Reporting application received from the Edmonton Public School Board for the opening and grading of 107 St. from 108 to 111 Ave. (estimated cost \$840.00) to provide access to McDougall School; and asking instructions.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Kinney,

That this be referred to the Public Works Committee for report. CARRIED:

- 102 - Reporting application received from the Civic Service Union re salaries and conditions of employment, that the question is being gone into with a committee of Superintendents and Acting-Commissioner Ormsby and the representatives of the Union; recommending that the whole question be referred to the Finance Committee for report at next meeting.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- H. M. Martin,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

MOVED Ald. Esdale ----- Kinney,

That Ald. Prevey act on the Finance Committee when Ald. Wilson is unable to attend.

CARRIED:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public

Works 30 - Recommending that the painting of the Low Level bridge be proceeded with and the Government advised accordingly.

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Pheasey

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

Public

Works 31 - Lane south of Jasper Ave. crossing C.P.R. tracks; reporting that in the opinion of the City Solicitor this lane was not closed under the agreement of 30th November 1909:

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Pheasey,

That this report be received and filed.

AMENDMENT MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- W. H. Martin,

That the report be received and the Commissioners instructed to apply to the Railway Company to put in a crossing at this lane.

AMENDMENT put and declared CARRIED:

Public

Works 32 - Local Improvements (sidewalks); forwarding list of walks recommended for construction (approximately 10 miles) subject to the possibility of financing same, and that the necessary advertising be authorized.

MOVED Ald. Esdale ----- Bush,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

Public

Works 33 - Claim E. Jones, Calder; reporting that the damage is not caused by any action of the City and recommending that he be notified that we cannot accept liability.

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Pheasey

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

Public

Works 34 - Water service 13728 -102 Ave.- recommending that as Mrs Bouchier is willing to take debentures to the amount of \$500.00 to finance the work, the application be approved.

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- W. H. Martin,

That this report be adopted.

CARRIED:

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*Painting of
Low Level Bridge*

*Lane south of
Jasper Ave.
crossing
C.P.R. tracks*

*Local
Improvements
(Sidewalks)*

*Claim
E. Jones
(Calder)*

*Water Service
102nd Ave.
(Mrs Bouchier)*

Safety &
Health 39 - Recommending approval of application of the Edmonton
Firemens' Association for "one day off in four":

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- McCoppen,

That this report be adopted to take effect as
soon as the Chief can obtain the additional men.

AMENDMENT MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Pheasey,

That the report be received and filed and the
request be not granted.

AMENDMENT put and declared LOST, and MOTION CARRIED:

Safety &
Health 40 - Recommending approval of Bylaw #20 (1918) to amend
the Streets & Traffic Bylaw.

MOVED Ald. Grant ----- Pheasey,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

Utilities 12 - Telephone Department equipment; reporting that
the committee do not approve of the recommendation
of the Superintendent that any surplus earned during
the next two years be placed to the credit of the
department for reinvestment on the plant.

MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- Grant,

That this report be adopted. CARRIED:

Ald. Grant and Ald. W. H. Martin left the meeting:

BY-LAWS

MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- Esdale

That the necessary rules be suspended and
Ald. H. M. Martin be given permission to introduce
Bylaw 24 (1918):

CARRIED:

By-law 24 (1918) - To authorize the issue and sale of special
debentures for \$1,000,000 designated "Series F".

MOVED Ald. H. M. Martin ----- Bush,

That Bylaw 24 (1918) be read a first time.

CARRIED:

Bylaw 24 (1918) was read a first time:

DEPUTY-MAYOR

MOVED Ald. Pheasey ----- Prevey

That Ald. O. Bush be appointed Deputy-Mayor
for the third quarter of the current year.

CARRIED:

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*Firemen,
"one day off
in four"*

*Amendment
to Streets &
Traffic Bylaw*

*Telephone
Dept. Surplus*

*Debentures
\$1,000,000
Series F*

*Deputy
Mayor*

By-law 21 (1918)- To amend License Bylaw:

MOVED Ald. Kinney ----- McCoppen,

That we resolve into committee of the whole
to consider Bylaw 21 (1918).

CARRIED:

Council resolved into committee and considered the bylaw clause
by clause, License Inspector McCallum being in attendance.

The Committee rose and reported the bylaw, as amended, for third
reading and final passing.

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Pheasey,

That the report of the committee of the whole
be adopted and Bylaw 21 (1918) be read a third time and
finally passed; and Report 32 of Safety & Health Comm-
ittee be filed.

CARRIED:

By-law 21 (1918) was read a third time and finally passed:

By-law 20 (1918)- To amend the Streets & Traffic Bylaw:

MOVED Ald. Esdale ----- Bush,

That we do not go into committee of the whole
but that Bylaw 20(1918) be now read a third time and
finally passed; and Report 33 of Safety & Health Comm-
ittee be filed.

CARRIED:

By-law 20 (1918) was read a third time and finally passed:

Alderman McCoppen brought up the question of remuneration for
Mr.R. English for extra work involved during the period the
Coty was without an appointed Commissioner after Mr.Harrison's
resignation, and asked leave to introduce a resolution dealing
with the matter.

MOVED Ald. Bush ----- Pheasey,

That we suspend the rules of order to permit
Ald. McCoppen to introduce this motion.

CARRIED

MOVED Ald. McCoppen ----- Kinney,

That a grant of \$200.00 be made to Mr.
R. English.

CARRIED:

MOVED Ald. Esdale ----- Bush,

That we do now adjourn.

CARRIED:

THM Evans

Mayor

Charles M. ...

Clerk

*Amendment
to
License Bylaw*

*Amendment
to
Streets & Traffic
Bylaw*

*Salaries;
Grant of
\$200.00 to
Mr R English*