

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

BY-LAW NO. 62

A By-law for regulating referendum provided by sub-section 2 of Section 5 of the Weekly Half-holiday Act.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt hereby enacts as follows:-

1. One week before the holding of the annual election a notice of the referendum mentioned in sub-section 2 of Section 5 of the Weekly Half-Holiday Act shall be publicly advertised in one daily paper published at Victoria continuously until the date of the election. The notice shall state that the electors of the Municipality of the Township of Esquimalt are desired at the time of recording their notes at the annual election of Reeve and Councillors, to vote upon the question as to whether a weekly half-holiday in the Municipality of the Township of Esquimalt shall be held on Wednesdays or Saturdays, and may contain such directions in accordance with the terms of this By-law as the Returning Officer may deem desirable.
2. In taking the said vote ballot boxes shall be used.
3. The Returning Officer shall have prepared a sufficient number of ballot papers having printed thereon the following:-

"WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ACT"

: Are you in favour of a weekly Wednesday :
: Half-Holiday?

: Are you in favour of a weekly Saturday :
: Half-Holiday?

Place a cross (thus X) opposite the day you favour for a half-holiday.

4. A vote in favour of either day shall be made by placing a cross (thus X) in the space opposite the word "Saturday" or opposite the word "Wednesday" on the ballot paper.
5. A sufficient number of copies of the annual list of voters entitled to vote shall be furnished for the use of the Returning Officer.
6. The Returning Officer may appoint any Clerk or Clerks he may think necessary for the assistance of himself or his deputies.
7. Directions for voting shall be posted up in some conspicuous place outside of each voting room or place.
8. The hours of voting shall be the same as those prescribed for the voting in Municipal Elections in the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt.
9. Each voter upon applying to vote shall be handed a printed voting paper prepared as directed by this By-law.

10. Such voting paper when marked by him shall be placed by him in in the Ballot Box.
11. The Returning Officer shall examine the votes cast, and provided there is a sufficient indication of the voter's intention appearing upon the voting paper, no vote shall be rejected on the groun of irregularity in the mode of marking.
12. The Returning Officer shall ascertain the vote and make a written report thereon to the Council and shall retain possession of the voting papers for two weeks, after which they may be destroyed.
13. The Council may by resolution direct a re-count of the votes by any person other than the Returning Officer, or by him in the presence of any committee of persons.
14. This By-law may, for all purposes, be cited as "THE WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY REFERENDUM BY-LAW".

Passed the Municipal Council the 27th day of December, 1916.

RECONSIDERED, ADOPTED AND FINALLY PASSED the Municipal Council the 3rd day of January, 1917.

"Arthur Coles"
Reeve

"G. H. Pullen"
Clerk