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W.D.
Water

1934

No. 206/34

Manager. Chew

SUBJECT.

1934

25th Sept

Previous Paper.

Est. L. Williams express a
wish to purchase water from
the Public Works Dept

MINUTES.

Letter from Est. L. Williams 25/9/34

Hon. Director P. Wks.

In your observations please.
Is there any serious objection to
the sale of water to the public,
when required.

MCH
by C.S.

27. 9. 34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Submitted that the practice of filling
people's tanks with water from the Town
mains was discontinued some 2 years ago, due
to the following reasons.

Heavy cost of hoses due to wear and tear on
roads and fences in leading the water from
the nearest fire hydrant to the persons property.
The large wastage of water due to the many

Subsequent Paper.

connections, and often cracked hoses, also the dead water in the length of hose from the tank to the hydrant.

In most instances 400 gallons of water were taken for which a charge of 5/- was made, this entailed two men to make the connections and stand by whilst filling the tank or barrels, a double journey for a lorry to transport the hoses (causing distraction of transport for workers) and often 2 to 3 days to dry the hoses, in all costing at least 10/-. All the time people can get their tanks filled in this way, they will not have the water connected from the mains.

Since discontinuing this practice many more applications have come in for connections, this is encouraging as it greatly assists sanitation, and helps the revenue of the Colony by making the water works self supporting.

I submit that there is no hardship enforced in refusing to fill a tank, as water can be obtained from the Public fountains. If we fill the tanks for Estate Louis Williams a precedent will be created and it will be difficult to refuse other applicants, with the result that the expenditure under $\times \times$ P.W.R. (3) will have to be increased, and the Revenue under 1X Miscellaneous (8) Stanley Water Works will be decreased. Further Estate Louis Williams can have the water laid on. At their Manager's request connections were led from the Town main, onto their premises in 1926, and no action has since been taken, except by Mrs Williams who has several times stated that she wished her Manager would have the water laid on, but he considered it too dear.

I submit that the Government will be pursuing a wise policy if they refuse this application. The urgent need as stated in Para 3 of letter can be fulfilled by obtaining water from the Public fountains. G. Roberts 27.9.34.

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Hon. Col. Sec.

Submitted that since writing my minute of the 24th Sept, the attached correspondence on this subject has been found. It will be seen that Mr Rowe objected to taking the Government water on account of the system of rating. This has been altered from one-half the annual rate payable, to one shilling for every twenty shillings of the annual value assessed by the Stanley Rating Ordinance 1928.

C. Roberts.

28-9-34.

Hon. Director Pub. Wks.

I fear this matter has put you to a great deal of trouble.

Mr E. G. Rowe came to see me this morning and after some discussion he stated he was now prepared to have water laid on to Waverley House and added that as he had no water for immediate use he would be glad if he could be allowed to obtain some for his tanks. Mr Rowe stated he had hose. Perhaps you will kindly arrange with Mr Rowe.

MCH
 A.C.S.
 1. 11. 34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted, immediately after you rang
me up on Saturday, the Water Bailiff
was sent to Estate Louis Williams to fill
their tanks. He was informed that they had
water having obtained it from the fountain.

Arrangements have been made to connect
up Waverley House today Monday 1st Oct
so the matter is now in order.

Cs. Roberts.

1-10-34.

YK.

Submitted

A. J. Ford
3/10/34.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Seen - thank you.

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J. X. 34.

P. H
4/10/34

ESTATE LOUIS WILLIAMS

SUCCESSORS TO CHAS WILLIAMS

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PORT STANLEY
FALKLAND ISLANDS

25th September 1934.

Sir,

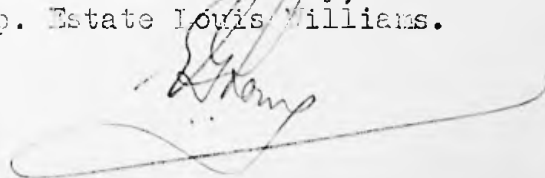
We have just applied to the Public Works Department for a supply of water - as our tanks have become empty.

We have been informed that the P.W.D. does not fill people's tanks, although water is sold to ships at 2/6d. per ton, and we are prepared to pay the same rate and to take not less than 10 tons at a time.

As we are in urgent need of water we therefore put our application before the Hon. the Colonial Secretary and should like to know whether we can be permitted to purchase water from the P.W.D. in order to fill our tanks.

We would further add that, before running water was installed by the Government we have on many occasions supplied many tons of water free of charge, from our rain water tanks, to a number of people.

We are, dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
p.p. Estate Louis Williams.



The Hon.
The Colonial Secretary
Stanley.

Improvement Works,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Is.
31st October, 1927.

The Manager,
Estate L. Williams,
Port Stanley.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 29th October, 1927., regarding water connections to your property and the Water Rate to be charged, and to inform you that an Order has been made and will be posted at a near date cancelling paragraph 4 of the Water Supply Regulations, and fixing the Annual Water Rate at one shilling in the pound, and I understand that this rate is a fixture and will not be altered.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

G. Roberts

Water Authority.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Regulations made by the Governor in Council under the Stanley Water Supply Ordinance, 1927.

J. M. ELLIS,

Acting Governor.

In virtue of the powers vested in him by section 6 of the Stanley Water Supply Ordinance, 1927, and otherwise, His Excellency the Acting Governor is hereby pleased, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, to make the following Regulations :—

Preamble.

1. Connections for the supply of water from the Water Works to any private property for domestic or for other than domestic purposes shall not be made except on the order of the Water Authority.

Connections to private property for domestic or for other than domestic purposes.

2. Any owner of private property who is desirous of laying connections for the supply of water from the Water Works to his property for domestic or for other than domestic purposes shall make an application in writing to the Water Authority, and shall state full particulars of the property concerned and of the nature of the supply desired.

Application for connections how to be made.

3. The Water Authority may grant or refuse any application for the supply of water from the Water Works to any private property for domestic or for other than domestic purposes, subject to the approval of the Governor, and shall not be called upon to assign any reason for the grant or refusal of any such application.

Grant of application subject to the approval of the Governor.

4. The annual rate to be paid by the owner of any private property in respect of connections for the supply of water from the Water Works to such private property for domestic purposes shall be one shilling for every twenty shillings of the annual value of such private property as assessed in accordance with the provisions of the Stanley Rating Ordinance, 1928, and shall be additional to any rate paid under that Ordinance; and for other than domestic purposes shall be at a rate to be assessed according to the purpose for which the water is required.

Annual rate payable for connections to private property.

5. Connections for the supply of water in the Water Works to any private property for domestic or for other than domestic purposes shall be laid at the expense of the owner thereof and no expense whatsoever shall fall thereby on the Water Authority.

Connections to be at owner's expense.

6. The Water Authority shall convey water in the Water Works to the boundary of the private property and the owner of the private property shall lay the connections from the boundary, provided that the Water Authority shall make the junction between the Water Works and the connections and that the Water Authority may at his discretion and for his convenience lay on the private property any pipe, cock, valve, or other appliance as may be required for the connections, that such pipe, cock, valve or other appliance shall remain the property of the Water Authority, and that the Water Authority shall at any reasonable time have ready access thereto.

Connections where to be made.

7. Connections for the supply of water from the Water Works to private property for domestic or for other than domestic purposes shall conform in all respects with the requirements of the Water Authority and shall not be laid or put into use except on the order of the Water Authority.

Connections not to be laid or put into use, except on order of Water Authority.

Pipes and Fittings to be of approved type. 8. Only pipes and fittings of a type approved by the Water Authority shall be permitted to be laid as part of any connection to private property from the Water Works.

Pipes and Fittings to be protected. 9. All pipes and fittings being a part of any connections to private property from the Water Works shall be adequately protected against frost. Where any pipes or fittings are laid in the ground they shall be not less than one foot and six inches below the surface of the ground and where any pipes or fittings are exposed they shall be lagged or boxed in with packing to the satisfaction of the Water Authority.

Tapping of mains prohibited. 10. No person shall tap any main being a part of the Water Works or shall interfere in any way with any valve on any main being a part of the Water Works except on the order of the Water Authority.

Tap or pipe found leaky. 11. If any tap or any pipe being a part of any connections to private property from the Water Works shall be found to be leaky or defective the owner thereof shall be held responsible and shall cause such tap or pipe to be replaced or repaired within a reasonable period after the receipt of a written notice to such effect from the Water Authority.

Water not to be used for other purposes. 12. No person who shall have laid connections to his private property for the supply thereto of water from the Water Works for domestic or for other than domestic purposes shall make use of the water thereby supplied for any purposes other than the purposes for which the water is supplied.

Water not to be taken from public fountains for other than domestic purposes. 13. No person shall take water from the public fountains being part of the Water Works for irrigation or gardening or for any purposes other than domestic.

Payment for work performed for private persons by Water Authority. 14. If the Water Authority shall perform any work on behalf of any person in respect of the installation, maintenance, replacement or repair of any connections for the supply of water from the Water Works to the private property of such person for domestic or for other than domestic purposes the Water Authority shall receive in payment from such person for such work the actual cost thereof and in addition an amount not exceeding ten per cent of such actual cost.

Interference with fire hydrants, valves &c.. prohibited. 15. No person shall tamper or in any way interfere with any fire hydrant, cock, valve or other appliance forming part of the Water Works except on the order of the Water Authority or for some lawful and necessary purpose as on the outbreak of fire.

Water Authority may cut off supply. 16. The Water Authority may at any time and for any period cut off the supply of water from the Water Works to any connections to private property

(1) if he is satisfied that any nuisance liable to pollute the water in the Water Works or to cause damage to the Water Works exists on any private property or in any connections thereto until such time as the nuisance shall have been removed or remedied by the owner of such private property.

(2) whenever any connections to private property are out of repair or are not in conformity with the provisions of these regulations and are liable to cause waste of the water from the Water Works or to pollute the water in the Water Works and the necessary repairs or alterations thereto have not been effected within a reasonable period after the receipt by the owner of such private

property of a written notice to such effect from the Water Authority until such time as the necessary repairs or alterations shall have been effected by the owner of such private property.

(3) whenever the available supply is insufficient by reason of drought or any other unavoidable circumstance.

(4) whenever it shall be necessary or expedient for the purpose of repairing, cleaning, or altering the Water Works or of carrying out any work on the Water Works or on any connections therefrom.

(5) in any case of the continued breach or violation of any of the provisions of the Stanley Water Supply Ordinance, 1927, and of any regulations made thereunder.

17. The Stanley Water Supply Regulations, 1927, as amended by the Stanley Water Supply (Amendment) Regulations, 1927, are hereby repealed. Repeal of the Stanley Water Supply Regulations, 1927.

18. These Regulations may be cited as the "Stanley Water Supply Regulations, 1934." Short Title.

Made by the Governor in Executive Council at a meeting held on the 29th day of March, 1934.

A. I. FLEURET,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

M.P. 31/26.



ESTATE LOUIS WILLIAMS

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PORT STANLEY
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29th October 1927

George Roberts Esq.

Water Authority

Port Stanley.

Dear Sir,

We refer to your letter of 21st May last to which we regret not having been able to reply before.

We have now the pleasure of stating that we should like to have water laid on to several of the buildings owned by us, but we hesitate to ask for the connections to be made owing to the manner in which the water rate is to be applied.

The Regulations provide for payment of the water rate at one-half of the annual rate as now paid under the Stanley Rating Ordinance, and additional thereto.

Now the Stanley Rating (Amendment) Ordinance of 1927 provides for the local rates to be fixed by the Legislative Council from 9d. to 5/- in the pound, the present rate being 1/3d.

On this basis of 1/3d. in the pound our property designated as the "Globe Store", and valued by the Justices of the Peace at \$80.- per annum, actually pays as local rate the sum of \$25.- per annum, and therefore, if we have water connected to same, the water rate would amount to another \$22.10.- per annum.

These figures of \$25.- and \$22.10.- respectively would represent 6 1/4% and 3 1/8th %, or say a total of 9 3/8ths %, of the assessed annual rental value of the property, and provided the local rate were not increased these figures would be quite reasonable.

BUT the Legislative Council have the power to raise the rate to a maximum of 5/- in the pound, which would automatically raise the water rate to 2/6 in the pound, and should this come about we would then have to pay:-

For local rate.....	\$ 20.---
For water rate	10.---
Or say a total of	\$ 30.---

per annum out of an assessed annual rental value of \$ 80.- sterling, or say 37 1/2% of the said rental value.

We have, and also have had at all times, ample rain-water stored, more than sufficient for our own use and for the use of our tenants, so much so that in the summer of 1925 we supplied large quantities of water from our tanks for the use of others who had run short, and therefore, for the present we prefer to await developments before coming to any definite decision as regards connecting our properties to the Stanley water mains.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
P. E. Estate Louis Williams