

Grand Junction Colo July 20th A.D. 1905

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction met pursuant to adjournment of July 12th Mayor Bunting presiding, upon call of roll the following responded present Alderman Lutas, M^culloch, Norris, Platt, Smith and City atty N.E. Coles. The reading of minutes of previous meeting was waived,

D Peters
License

David Peters and Elmer Ellis petitioned for a liquor license to conduct a saloon at 209 Colorado, the petition was referred to the License Committee.

Per. Jacques

L Jacques petitioned to erect a stand at the corner of 5th + Uta Street, there were several other petitions of similar character on clerks desk, as the Jacques petition brought the question up for discussion no further petitions were read.

Thereupon alderman Smith entered a motion that no tents or booths be allowed to be erected within the fire limits bounded by Ald. M^culloch. The question was raised as to whether the city would be liable for damages if it granted permission for the erection of the temporary structures and a fire resulted. City atty Coles stated that the City would not be liable. upon call of motion vote was as follows alderman alkire nay Lutas nay M^culloch nay Norris nay O'Bayle yea Platt nay Smith nay. Motion Lost.

Erection of
Tents etc

Alderman Platt entered a motion that Council grant the privilege for the erection of tents and booths within the fire limits, for the accommodation of the people, during the registration period to be under the supervision and restriction of the Fire and Police board, bounded by alderman M^culloch upon call of motion said motion carried and was so declared by the Mayor.

CD Fishers
Requests

Secretary Fisher of the Chamber of Commerce was present and made several requests of the Council he stated that it had about been decided to secure the Auditorium for the location of the registration offices and that in order to meet the demands of the government they would have to erect suitable sanitary closets near the Auditorium and at other convenient points in the City. he also asked for a health officer to keep the streets in a cleanly condition to be appointed that ample provision for fresh drinking water be made; that the City build a walk to connect with a

30 foot walk the railroad is willing to build across their yards from the depot to the city line. in order to accommodate the incoming crowds that extra provisions for street sprinkling be made, and in behalf of the Fair association he offered the use of the association's sprinkler during the period of registration. The Council discussed each proposition at length in regard to the public toilets the question of dry or wet sewerage was presented. Alderman McCulloch entered a motion that at the City Park there be erected 15 toilets for men and 8 for Women and an equal number in the vicinity of Auditorium to be arranged with boxes and kept cleaned every night work to commence every night. Thereupon Ald. Luter ~~was~~ offered an amendment that the Chamber of Commerce erect the toilets where and when they desire and the City to take care of same seconded by Ald. Norris.

Upon call of motion for the amendment said amendment lost, upon call of original motion said motion lost.

Thereupon Ald. O'Boyle entered a motion that the Street and Alley Committee have power to act in regard to the erection of toilets for men and women and to make suitable arrangements for same. seconded by Ald. McCulloch upon call of motion said motion carried unanimously.

The matter of arranging suitable places for drinking fountains was referred to the W & S. Com. with power to act.

The extra street sprinkler offered by the Fair association was accepted and the Street Supervisor was instructed to hire an extra team and man.

Ald. Norris entered a motion that the Street and Alley Com. be empowered to hire a health officer to act during the registration period. seconded by Ald. Clark upon call of motion said motion carried unanimously.

City Atty. Coles stated to the Council that protests by Mrs. Judge Sullivan and Mrs. Brink against the show of the Carnival Company had been made to him, and that he had been asked to present the matter to the Council. it is claimed by these ladies that the show is indecent and should be suppressed. Several citizens present who had seen the show stated that it was not indecent. The Mayor announced that the men operating this show had promised to close it down immediately if it was declared indecent and that he had made investigations and all who had talked to him had declared the show to be strictly

Matter of
arranging
toilets etc

Drinking fountains

Street sprinkler

Health officer

Protest of Mrs
Judge Sullivan

within the line of decency. Thereupon Alderman Smith entered a motion that the license committee refuse to grant the Carnival Company a license after July 22nd as its presence in the city will make it harder to handle the crowds during the registration period seconded by Alderman Jutes upon call of motion said motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Jutes reported that the contract for roofing and plastering the old City Hall had been let and work would begin Monday.

Alderman Boyle reported that the profiles for street grades are now in file with City Clerk and were ready for inspection.

Off Police

The question of appointing special Police officers was discussed and it was decided that the Chief of Police had power to make these appointments when it became necessary.

Special Deputy Sheriffs

City Atty Coles asked if the County was taking any interest in the matter of protecting the strangers and citizens during the registration period. He was informed by the Mayor that the County had been asked to appoint special Deputy Sheriffs.

Thereupon Alderman Platt entered a motion that a special committee of 3 be appointed to confer with County Commissioners regarding the patrol of City and County and provide means for same seconded by Alderman Smith upon call of motion said motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor appointed Aldermen Platt McEulloch and Boyle

Disapproved
@ Peter's license

The license committee reported upon the application of David Peters for license to conduct a saloon at 209 Colo Ave not approved. Thereupon Alderman Platt entered a motion that the license committee be sustained seconded by Alderman Norris upon call of motion said motion carried unanimously.

Confetti Resolution

Alderman Jutes introduced the following resolution. Be it Resolved, that the sale of Confetti on the streets or the throwing of same be refused. seconded by Alderman Platt upon call of motion said motion carried unanimously.

The question of granting an extension to the franchise of the Electric Light Company was brought up for further consideration. Crown Adams president of the Company took the floor and stated that the committee appointed by the

Council to confer with the Company had made the Company two propositions. The first proposition was as follows: The Council had no objections to granting the franchise, providing that the price of Arc lights be fixed at \$90.00 per annum, also that the Company pay to the City 3 per Cent of the annual gross receipts of the Company; the extension of the franchise to be for 25 years from the date of expiration of the present Contract. The second proposition asked that the Company furnish lights at the rate of \$90.00 for first fifty \$84.00 for next ten and \$80.00 for balance of Arc lights this rate to be per annum and give the City 2 per Cent of the gross receipts; the extension to be for 20 years from the date of the expiration of the present Contract. Mr. Adams declared that the first proposition was clear out of the question and could not be considered at all, while much consideration had been given to the second proposition, but that the Company found that it was simply impossible to meet its terms, and therefore both propositions must be turned down, the Company had communicated with two big Electrical Organizations and learned that only 66 Cities were receiving a percentage of a light Company's receipts, and as to their financial condition he had learned nothing. He declared that for the 23 months that the Company had been in operation the average monthly receipts had been \$1,865 and with their big pay roll it was impossible to give a per Cent of the receipts.

Mr. Johnson, an electrician from Denver brought here by the Electric Light Company to examine the plant stated that the plant was running full capacity and that with the rapidly increasing demand for service it was necessary to make extensive repairs and additions at once he estimated the cost to be \$20,000 Mr. Adams asked that the Council select 5 Citizens and have them make an examination of the Company's books. Thereupon Ald. Lutz entered a motion that a Committee of 4 Citizens and one member of Council be appointed by the City Council to examine the Company's books and make a report to the Council. The Council then retired in secret session, upon their return the Council through Mayor Guntz reported that after discussing the matter it seemed that it was not proper for the Council to appoint a Committee of Citizens and shift the responsibility of deciding this important question from the Council to this Committee when it was the Council's

Discussion of Electric Light Franchise

duty to dispose of the question. Alderman Smith entered a motion to reconsider the matter of appointing a Committee of 5 seconded by Alderman Platt upon call of motion said motion Carried unanimously.

Alderman Smith then entered a motion to appoint a Committee of Five to examine the Light Companies books and make a report of same to City Council. seconded by Alderman Platt upon call of motion said motion was lost and was so declared by the Mayor.

Alderman Platt entered a motion to adjourn until 8 Pm July 25th seconded by Ald. Norris upon call of motion said motion Carried unanimously and was so declared by the Mayor.

John M. Conley
City Clerk

adjourn