

An Ordinance Concerning the Fire Department and to Repeal Portions of Certain Other Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the city of Grand Junction:

SECTION 1. On the second Monday after election in each year, or as soon thereafter as convenient, the said council of the city of Grand Junction shall elect, according to law, the officers hereinafter named and members of the fire department for the city of Grand Junction, whose duties and salaries shall be as in this ordinance provided, whose term of office shall be for one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

There shall be elected one chief of the fire department whose duty it shall be to attend at all times when possible any fire or fires occurring within the limits of the city and he shall see that the subordinate officers of the fire department of the city of Grand Junction shall at all times keep the wagons, hose and carts and other fire apparatus of the city in good condition for the work intended to be performed and that such subordinate officers carefully perform the duties of their office.

He shall at the close of the months of June, September and December and also at the close of his term of office, make report to the city council, under oath and show the number of fires which have occurred within the city subsequent to his preceding report and each and all reports shall show the result of such fires; the person or persons belonging to the fire department who attended such fires and to whom compensation is due for such service during such times, according to the terms of this ordinance.

Said chief shall receive as his compensation the sum of \$100 per annum or so much thereof as he shall have earned, payable quarterly, according to the terms of this ordinance.

There shall also be elected, as above provided, one assistant chief, whose duty it shall be to attend all fires occurring within the limits of the city of Grand Junction during his term of office, when possible, and to direct the fire department at such fires in case of the absence of the chief, and in the absence of the chief at other times to direct the work of the fire department and the officers thereof.

Said assistant chief shall receive a salary of \$50 per annum or so much thereof as he shall have earned, payable quarterly, according to the terms of this ordinance.

SEC. 2 There shall be elected as provided in Section 1, a janitor whose duty it shall be to have care and charge of the city hall of the city of Grand Junction and to keep the same at all times in good condition and keep the office and rooms therein clean and at suitable times lighted and warm.

Said janitor shall be city weigh master and as such shall make his monthly report to the city council and shall also be jailor of the city jail and shall have custody of the prisoners therein confined; he shall at all times keep the fire apparatus of the city in good condition and in case of a fire alarm being turned in, he shall ring the bell according to the rules of the fire department.

Said janitor shall care for the city team at such time or times as there is no driver to care for the same; he shall sleep at the city hall and shall obey the orders of the chief of the fire department and the city council; said janitor shall receive a salary of \$50 per month, payable monthly.

SEC. 3. There shall be elected as above provided, a driver whose duty it shall be to care for the city team and all wagons and implements used by him on the streets; he shall work with said team on the streets with said sprinkling wagon and otherwise under the direction of the street commissioner when not otherwise engaged or needed by the fire department during reasonable working hours. He shall be under the direction of the chief of the fire department and the city council and said driver shall sleep at the city hall and shall attend all fires occurring within the city of Grand Junction with team and wagon.

Said driver shall receive a salary of \$50 per month, payable monthly.

SEC. 4. There shall be elected as provided, eight firemen whose duty it shall be to attend all fires occurring within the city of Grand Junction, whenever possible, and at all such fires said firemen shall work under the direction of the acting chief of the fire department.

Said firemen shall receive a salary of \$50 per annum, or so much thereof as they have earned according to this ordinance, the same to be paid quarterly.

There shall also be elected at the time and manner aforesaid, eight alternate firemen whose duty it shall be to attend all fires occurring within the city of Grand Junction and work at such fires under the orders of the acting chief of the fire department; said alternate firemen shall only receive compensation as herein provided.

The chief, assistant chief and eight firemen shall at the end of each quarter receive such proportionate share of their respective salaries as the total number of fires, which they have attended, as shown by the report of the chief to the city council, bears to the whole number of fires which occurred during the preceding quarter and in all cases where the firemen shall fail to appear at any fire, in case his alternate appears, he shall receive the pro-rata portion of the salary which should have been due his principal under this ordinance and in case the fireman shall not appear and his alternate shall not appear at any such fire, the chief may assign any other

alternate to the position thus vacant and the one thus assigned said position shall receive a pro-rata portion of the salary which should have been due the fireman in case he had appeared.

The fire department of the city of Grand Junction shall be constituted as provided by this ordinance and not otherwise and said fire department may make such rules and regulations as according to their judgment, is deemed for the good of the fire department, and of the city of Grand Junction not inconsistent with this ordinance; such rules shall be submitted to and approved by the city council.

SEC. 5. Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Ordinance Number 5, passed and adopted September 26, 1891, is hereby repealed and so much of any other section or sections as are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed and adopted this 31st day of May, A. D. 1898.

Attest: *M. O. Delaplain* W. P. ELA, Mayor.
M. O. DELAPLAIN, City Clerk.
