## Grand Junction, Colorado

## November 20th, 1929

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Those present and answering at roll call were: Councilmen Bear, Hirons, Hall, Sievert, Glassford, Councilman Penberthy and President Rogers were absent. City Attorney Hinman and City Clerk Tomlinson were present. City Manager Thompson was absent. President Pro-tem Glassford presided.

The minutes of the regular session held November 6th were read and approved.

The following petition was presented and read:

To the Hon. Mayor, City Manager and members of the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado.

## Gentlemen:

The undersigned respectfully call your attention to the fact that Jack Hynes, the Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Grand Junction, will be sixty years old on March 1, 1930, and has served on the Grand Junction Fire Department for thirty-six years last past, fourteen years of which time he has served without pay; that he will retire on December 31, 1930, and under the rules of the Firemen's Pension Fund is eligible for retirement at a pension of fifty per cent of the wages received during the year previous to such retirement; that his present salary is \$175.00 per month and if raised to \$200.00 per month, his pension will be \$100.00 per month after retirement, which sum is payable out of the Firemen's Pension Fund and not out of any funds belonging to the City of Grand Junction.

The undersigned feel that said Hynes is deserving of recognition for the years spent in the service, and respectfully petition and request the increase of his salary to \$200.00 per month beginning January 1, 1930; and if such action is taken and such increase is granted, the undersigned hereby declare their willingness to waive their summer vacations for the year 1930 so that no additional expense will be entailed to the City.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Series of Handwritten Signatures

Active Members of the Grand Junction Fire Department.

This petition was laid on the table until the next regular meeting.

A proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING SALARIES" was presented. It was moved by Councilman Hirons and seconded by Councilman Hall that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

The following communication from the Chamber of Commerce was received and read:

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
"IN THE GARDEN OF THE ROCKIES"
GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

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Honorable Jesse C. Glassford, President pro tem, Members of the City Council, Grand Junction, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

We would very much appreciate your consideration and decision, this evening if possible, of the following matter which we intended discussing with City Manager Thompson but who was enroute to Fort Worth before the Committee became active, and time for preparation is limited.

It has been the custom, during the past three years, for a number of our business men to canvass Main Street business firms for funds to finance the Christmas lighting of Main Street. As in the case of every activity, a certain few have been compelled to contribute for those who did not feel justified in assisting. Individual subscriptions have ranged from \$6.50 to \$30. Through this source sufficient equipment was finally acquired last year to run the lights from post to post across the street. The elimination of the trolley wire makes it necessary to use some other decorative method, and it has been suggested that strings of lamps be run along the white way posts, on each side of the street parallel with the buildings. This would require about 25% additional equipment, and of course the usual amount of labor and power.

We hesitate seeking further subscriptions for the purpose from our business men and we wish respectfully to ask that the City take over and finance the Christmas lighting. Cost for the first year would be in the neighborhood of \$200, and probably about \$150 per annum thereafter. City firemen would no doubt be willing to assist in placing the wire, possibly in handling most of the work, which would reduce the cost considerably.

Respectfully,

/s/ Secretary

- M.N. DUE, PRESIDENT
- R.G. MILLER, VICE PRESIDENT
- R.H. OLIVER, 2D VICE PRESIDENT
- WM. MURR, 3D VICE PRESIDENT
- W.M. WOOD, SECY. TREAS.
- M.N. DUE, GRAND JUNCTION ICE CREAM CO.
- R.G. MILLER, WESTERN SLOPE AUTO CO.
- E.M. GOODRICH, JUANITA MILLING & FUEL CO.
- H.H. YOUNGER, GRAND JCT, FRUIT GROWERS ASSN.
- C.J. BRADFIELD, BRADFIELD CHEVROLET CO.
- H.E. BURNETT, ST. REGIS HOTEL
- J.P. DOWNEY, MERCHANTS CAFE
- G.C. HARBERT, GIBSON LUMBER & MERC. CO.
- W.S. MEEK, COUNTY TREASURER
- R.H. OLIVER, UNITED HARDWARE CO.
- WM. MURR, MURR-HARRIS AUTO CO.

It was moved by Councilman Hall and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the request of the Chamber of Commerce be granted and that the City Manager be authorized to allow a maximum of \$200 towards the cost of re-arranging the Christmas tree lighting system, provided that all work and material furnished in connection therewith by the Public Service Company be at cost; and provided further that use of City equipment and employees will be taken advantage of to reduce the cost. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA - Bear, Hirons, Hall, Sievert, Glassford. Councilmen voting NO - None. All the Councilmen voting YEA, the President Pro-tem declared the motion carried.

The Proof of Publication of the Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON CERTAIN REAL ESTATE IN GRAND JUNCTION, FOR BENEFITS CONFERRED BY THE WATER WORKS OF SAID CITY", was presented. Councilman Sievert moved and Councilman Hall seconded the motion that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed.

Councilman Bear moved and Councilman Hall seconded the motion that the ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried.

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Councilman Hirons then moved, and Councilman Hall seconded the motion that the ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON CERTAIN REAL ESTATE IN GRAND JUNCTION, FOR BENEFITS CONFERRED BY THE WATER WORKS OF SAID CITY" be passed and adopted, numbered 453 and published. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA - Bear, Hirons, Hall, Sievert, Glassford. Councilmen voting NO - None. All the Councilmen present voting YEA, the President Pro-tem declared the motion carried and the ordinance duly passed and adopted.

Leff bond

The bond of Joe Leff, junk dealer, for the year 1930 was presented, having been approved as to form by the City Attorney. Councilman Bear moved and Councilman Hall seconded the motion that the bond be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Councilman Hirons moved and Councilman Hall seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson City Clerk