

Grand Junction, Colorado

January 15, 1930

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Those present and answering at roll call were Councilmen Penberthy, Bear, Hirons, Hall, Sievert, Councilman Glassford was absent. City Manager Thompson, City Attorney, Hinman, and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

The minutes of the regular meeting held January 2nd were read and approved.

The Proof of Publication to the Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE 2 OF ORDINANCE NO. 83, PASSED AND ADOPTED JUNE 30, 1899, ENTITLED 'AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING OFFENSES IN THE NATURE OF MISDEMEANORS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF', AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 306", was presented by the Clerk. Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

The proposed ordinance was then read and upon motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Hirons, the ordinance was called up for final passage. Motion carried.

Ord. No. 458

Councilman Penberthy thereupon moved and Councilman Sievert seconded the motion that the ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE 2 OF ORDINANCE NO. 83, PASSED AND ADOPTED JUNE 30, 1899, ENTITLED 'AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING OFFENSES IN THE NATURE OF MISDEMEANORS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF', AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 306", be passed and adopted, numbered, 458 and published. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA - Penberthy, Bear, Hirons, Hall, Sievert, Rogers. All the Councilmen present voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Prop. Ord. Pav. Dist. No. 21

A Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE WHOLE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN AND FOR PAVING DISTRICT NO. 21 IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 178, ADOPTED AND APPROVED JUNE 11, 1910, AS AMENDED: APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST TO EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: ASSESSING THE SHARE OF SAID COST AGAINST EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: AND APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST: AND PRESCRIBING THE MANNER FOR THE COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID ASSESSMENTS", was introduced and read.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Prop. Ord. Pav. Dist. No. 22

A Proposed Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE WHOLE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN AND FOR PAVING DISTRICT NO. 22 IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 178, ADOPTED AND APPROVED JUNE 11, 1910, AS AMENDED: APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST TO EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: ASSESSING THE SHARE OF SAID COST AGAINST EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: AND APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST: AND PRESCRIBING THE MANNER FOR THE COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID ASSESSMENTS", WAS introduced and read.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Prop. Ord. Pav. Dist. No. 23

A proposed Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE WHOLE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN AND FOR PAVING DISTRICT NO. 23 IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 178, ADOPTED AND APPROVED JUNE 11, 1910, AS AMENDED: APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST TO EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: ASSESSING THE SHARE OF SAID COST AGAINST EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OF OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: AND APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST: AND PRESCRIBING THE MANNER FOR THE COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID ASSESSMENTS", was introduced and read.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Prop. Ord. Alley Pav. Dist. No. 2

A proposed Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE WHOLE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN AND FOR ALLEY PAVING DISTRICT NO. 2 IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 138, ADOPTED AND APPROVED JUNE 11, 1910, AS AMENDED: APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST TO EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: ASSESSING THE SHARE OF SAID COST AGAINST EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: AND APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST: AND PRESCRIBING THE MANNER FOR THE COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID ASSESSMENTS", was introduced and read. Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Prop. Ord. C.S. #5

A proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE WHOLE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN AND FOR COMBINED SEWER DISTRICT NO. 5 IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 178, ADOPTED AND APPROVED, JUNE 11, 1910, AS AMENDED: APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST TO EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: ASSESSING THE SHARE OF SAID COST AGAINST EACH LOT OR TRACT OF LAND OR OTHER REAL ESTATE IN SAID DISTRICT: AND APPROVING THE APPORTIONMENT OF SAID COST: AND PRESCRIBING THE MANNER FOR THE COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID ASSESSMENTS", was introduced and read. Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Tax Sale Certificates

The following letter was presented and read:

W.J. Moyer, Chairman of Board W.C. Kurtz, Vice President
Wm. Weiser, President A.E. Borschell, Cashier
C.B. Canfield, Asst. Cashier

The
Grand Valley National Bank
United States Depository
Capital & Surplus \$150,000.00

GRAND JUNCTION. COLO.,

January 13, 1930

Mr. T. E. Thompson
City Manager
Grand Junction

Dear Sir:

The City of Grand Junction is the holder of tax sale certificates Nos. 30798-99, 30892, 31100-1-2 and 31152 covering water main, sewer and sidewalk taxes levied against certain lots in Block 102 in this city. The face value of these certificates is #346.44.

I hereby offer you in payment of these certificates the sum of \$376.46. This is in full payment of the face of these certificates plus \$30.02, which represents interest at 8% from the date that the City purchased these tax certificates.

Will you please let me know promptly the fate of this offer?

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Wm. Weiser

President

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It was moved by Councilman Hall and seconded by Councilman Bear that the offer of Mr. Weiser be declined, due to the fact that the property mentioned in the letter is well worth the face value of the certificates, plus the penalties. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA, Penberthy, Bear, Hirons, Hall, Sievert, Roger. All the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Bonds filed

The following bonds were presented, having been approved as to form by the City Attorney:

P. C. Lowe, plumber
Ted Winterburn, Electrician
Warren C. Bush, Plumber
H. L. Senter & A. H. Hale, Auctioneer
F. S. Carpenter, Auctioneer
John W. Rader, Plumber.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the bond of P. C. Lowe be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the bond of Ted Winterburn, Electrician be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the bond of Warren C. Bush, Plumber be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the bond of H. L. Senter and A. H. Hale, Auctioneers, be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the bond of F. S. Carpenter, Auctioneer, be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the bond of John W. Rader, plumber, be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

Bids for bonds Alley Pav. Dist. 2

Bids for bonds for Alley Paving District No. 2 were opened. The following bids were tabulated:

BIDDER	ADDRESS	6%
Sidlo, Simons, Bay & Co.	Denver, Colorado	\$982.50
Mr. Waldroup	Grand Junction	985.00
Geo. W. Vallery & Co.	Denver, Colorado	987.50
Benwell & Co.	Denver, Colorado	1002.10
Mrs. Kate F. Skelly	Grand Junction	982.50
U. S. National Co.	Denver, Colo	970.77
Joseph D. Grigsby & Co	Pueblo, Colo	981.00

It was moved by Councilman Bear and seconded by Councilman Hiron that the bid of Benwell and Co. of Denver, Colorado, for \$12,000 Alley Paving District No. 2 bonds at \$1002.10 and accrued interest per \$1000.00 be accepted. The question being upon the sale of the bonds to Benwell & Co. the roll was called with the following result:

Councilmen voting YEA - Penberthy, Bear, Hiron, Hall, Sievert, Rogers.

Councilmen voting No - None.

All the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried and the bonds duly sold to Benwell & Co.

Councilman Glassford came into the meeting at this time.

Natural Gas Franchise brought up

The matter of granting a franchise for serving the City of Grand Junction with natural gas, having been continued until January 15th, was the next matter to be brought up. President Rogers asked if there were any further franchises to be submitted. The Southern Union Gas Co. of Dallas, Texas, presented the following letter:

Southern Union Gas Co. proposed franchise submitted

Grand Junction, Colorado,
January 15, 1930.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand Junction.

Gentlemen:

The Southern Union Gas Company, of Dallas, Texas, desires to submit, for your consideration, a proposal to supply your City and locality with natural gas for both domestic and industrial purposes.

It has made a thorough investigation, during the past several months, of all factors involved, including the volume and quality of supply required and available, costs of piping and distributing the supply, the rates at which service may be rendered, and the general advantages to be obtained, and is convinced that the project is entirely feasible from a business standpoint, that a better quality of gas may be supplied at substantially lower rates, and that many desirable advantages will result.

The nearest adequate supply of natural gas of the best quality now available is that which may be obtained from the White Eagle Oil Company well on Piceance Creek, in Garfield County, Colorado. An additional supply of equally good quality may be obtained, if required, from wells at Rangeley, in Rio Blanco County, Colorado. The supply of gas from either or both of those localities is already assured to this Company if this proposal may be consummated.

An analysis of the gas available from the White Eagle Oil Company well is appended to this proposal, and a consideration and comparison of it will show you, we believe, that the gas which we offer to supply is of excellent and superior quality. It will also appear therefrom that this gas is free from poisonous properties.

The rates at which this service may be rendered, based upon a careful survey of costs and conditions, are set forth in a further schedule appended hereto, and we believe that they will show substantial advantages to your people.

If a franchise is granted to us, we intend to lease or purchase the present gas distribution system of the Public Service Company of Colorado; and we have made preliminary arrangements for that purpose. Such arrangement will eliminate the inconvenience of disturbing your streets and alleys, and will make it possible to have natural gas available at an earlier date than would otherwise be possible.

And if you are favorable to the granting of a franchise for the purpose mentioned, this Company is willing to post a sufficient

bond in the sum of \$25,000.00, conditioned that it will deliver the required supply of natural gas to your consumers on or before October 1, 1930.

The Southern Union Gas Company is an established Company, engaged in general service of this nature. It is now serving forty-seven cities and towns in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Colorado, including Farmington, New Mexico, and Durango, Colorado. This Company is financially able to construct and establish the required pipe lines and system for such service, and, in this connection, it refers you to the American Exchange National Bank, of Dallas, Texas, and to any other of the larger banks of Dallas, or elsewhere in Texas.

We also direct your attention to the fact that it is an established and demonstrated policy of this Company to aid the industrial development of localities which it serves, and we assure you that such would be its policy in this instance.

If this proposal meets with your approval, after you have had a reasonable time to investigate and consider it, we will be glad to meet with you and work out the essential details.

We are prepared to act immediately, upon your determination of this proposition, and, inasmuch as the period within which service should be installed is comparatively brief, we will be greatly obliged if you will advise us of your conclusions as soon as possible.

Southern Union Gas Co.,
By/s/ D. B. Cole
Vice-President

<u>ANALYSIS OF GAS</u>	<u>%</u>
Carbondioxide\	4.10
Oxygen	.95
Methane	90.28
Ethane	3.15
Hydrogen	1.52

B.T.U. (delivered to City) 850	
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SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED RATES TO CONSUMERS

Domestic Rate

For	first	1,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
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For	next	19,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
							—
For	next	30,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
							—
For	next	50,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
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Industrial Rate

For	first	_____					
	500,000	—					
	Cubic						
	feet						
	of gas						
For	next	1,500,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
							—
For	next	3,000,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
							—
For	next	10,000,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
							—
For	next	15,000,000	Cubic	feet	of	gas	_____
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All over this amount _____

Fulton Petroleum & So. Union franchise discussion

Members of the Fulton Petroleum Corporation were present and officers of both this company and the Southern Union Gas Company discussed the merits of their respective propositions.

After considerable discussion, it was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Glassford that the meeting adjourn until 3:30 P. M. Thursday, January 16th.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk