

Grand Junction, Colorado

September 17, 1930

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, Glassford, Hall, Hirons, Penberthy, Sievert, and President Rogers. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Adams, and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

The minutes of the meeting held September 3rd were read and approved.

Prop. Ord. radio inter.

A proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF ELECTRICAL OR MECHANICAL DEVICES SO AS TO PREVENT INTERFERENCE WITH RADIO RECEPTION IN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 452", was introduced and read, by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilman Sievert and seconded by Councilman Hirons that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Conc. Lowell school grounds

The matter of caring for the grounds at the old Lowell School, now owned by the City of Grand Junction and used as a Junior College, was brought up and discussed. Councilman Glassford moved, and Councilman Hall seconded the motion that the City of Grand Junction keep the Old Lowell School grounds clean from weeds, rubbish, ashes, etc., and that a lawn be planted on the South part of the grounds as opportunity offers, and that special attention be given to watering the trees. Roll was called and the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA - Bear, Glassford, Hall, Hirons, Penberthy, Sievert, Rogers. Councilmen voting NO - None. All of the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Re. J. W. Watson - reservoir water

Councilman Hall moved and Councilman Penberthy seconded the motion that the City Manager be instructed to conduct such investigation as seems expedient regarding the matter of the City reservoirs contributing to the water in J. W. Watson's boiler pit, and that he report back to the Council at as early a date as possible, his conclusions. Motion carried.

Manager to prepare written synopsis of all matters to come before the meetings

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: Sections 59 and 60 of the Charter of the City of Grand Junction plainly outline the duties and limitations of the City Manager and of the Council in the administration of City affairs and prohibit the Council from interfering with the City Manager in his selection and direction of the personnel under his control, and

WHEREAS; In the transaction of business by the City Council considerable time may be saved by adoption of the policy of each councilman making any suggestions (preferably in writing) to the City Manager not later than the day before the next council meeting and the City Manager, after considering such suggestions, making written report and/or recommendation to the Council on such of these and other matters as, in his opinion, may warrant the attention of the council, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That the various members of the said Council interfere as little as possible with the City Manager in the proper discharge of his duties and, in so far as practicable, communicate with him in the manner outlined above, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Manager be instructed to prepare and present to each member of the council, at all council meetings, a written outline of the matters to come before the council at that meeting, together with the facts pertinent to same and his views or recommendations, if any are appropriate, on such matters.

It was moved by Councilman Hall and seconded by Councilman Penberthy that the resolution as read, be passed and adopted. Upon which motion the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA, Bear, Hall, Hirons, Penberthy, Sievert, Rogers. Councilmen voting NO - Glassford. A majority of the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Comm. from J.P.S. to Chief of Police ordered filed

A communication from City Manager Soderstrum to Chief of Police Decker was read. This communication was ordered placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Re. tearing down grandstand & bldg bleachers on football field

City Manager Soderstrum stated that members of the "Scrub Club", had called on him regarding the feasibility of tearing down the old grand stand at Lincoln Park and constructing bleachers on the East side of the football field, out of the salvaged material. He reported that he had gone over the grand stand very thoroughly and had investigated the condition of the material. He stated that the East 175 feet of the grand stand could be taken down and if due

care was exercised, most of the material could be utilized for the construction of the bleachers. Very little new material would have to be purchased, and that satisfactory bleachers could be constructed in this manner, at a small cost. The West 100 feet of the grand stand would be left where it now is, and serve as bleachers to be used in connection with the baseball diamond.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hirons seconded the motion that the City Manager be authorized to salvage 175 feet of the old grand stand and erect permanent bleachers at the football field, and that the Chairman appoint two members of the Council to act as an advisory committee to work with the City Manager. Roll was called and the following vote was cast: Councilmen voting YEA, Bear, Glassford, Hall, Hirons, Sievert, Penberthy, Rogers. Councilmen voting NO - None. All of the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

President Rogers appointed Councilmen Penberthy and Hall to act as a committee to confer with Mr. Soderstrum on any matter pertaining to the building of the bleachers. It was suggested that the City Manager and committee consider very carefully whether the bleachers should be erected on the East side of the field or the West Side.

It was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Glassford that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the President.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
CITY CLERK