

Grand Junction, Colorado

January 14, 1931

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular adjourned session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. Those present and answering at roll call were: Councilmen Bear, Glassford, Hall, Hirons, Penberthy, Sievert, Rogers. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Adams, and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

Wood & Weber light plant

The purpose of the meeting was to consider a proposed plan for a Municipally owned electric light and power plant presented by Messrs. Wood and Weber, Engineers.

Adjourned to Elk's home

There were a number of people present to hear the matter discussed. Owing to lack of room to seat these people in the Council Chamber, it was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Hall that the Council adjourn to the Elk's home, to meet immediately. Motion carried.

The meeting was called to order in the Elk's Home by President Rogers. Roll was called, all members of the Council, City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Adams, and City Clerk Tomlinson being present.

It was moved by Councilman Penberthy and seconded by Councilman Bear that the proposition of Messrs. Wood and Weber be brought up for discussion. Roll was called with the following result: 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.

After some discussion by various members of the Council, Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that Mr. Wood, of Wood and Weber be allowed to discuss the proposition. Motion carried.

Municipal Service & Power Corp. plan

Mr. Wood stated that the Corporation doing the work would be called the Municipal Service and Power Corporation, and he outlined the plan they proposed and stated that they had presented a tentative contract covering the matter. He stated that they would be pleased to have some unprejudiced competent engineer go over their plans and proposition and ascertain whether or not it was a good proposition for the City of Grand Junction.

President Rogers stated that if any one in the audience cared to, the Council would be interested in hearing their viewpoint on municipal ownership of the electric plant. Several people gave their ideas on the subject.

Councilman Hirons then moved that the matter be laid on the table. Councilman Glassford seconded the motion. Roll was called with the following result:

Councilmen voting YEA - Glassford, Hall, Hirons, Sievert.

Councilmen voting NO - Penberthy, Bear, Rogers.

A majority of the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn to meet immediately in the Council room at the City Hall. Motion carried.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at the City Hall by President Rogers. All members of the Council, the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk were present.

Councilman Sievert moved and Councilman Bear seconded the motion that the City Council reconsider the proposition of the Municipal Service and Power Corporation. Upon which motion the following vote was cast:

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

Councilmen voting NO - Hall, Hirons, Glassford.

A majority of the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Committee of Council members to employ Engineer to report on Wood & Weber proposition

Councilman Sievert moved that the City Council appoint a committee of its members to employ a competent and disinterested Engineer to study the plans and specifications and secure all information available on the proposed proposition of the Municipal Service and Power Corporation, and make a report to them at a meeting, and also to go over the proposed contract and make necessary alterations and suggestions.

Councilman Hirons moved that the meeting adjourn. Councilman Glassford seconded the motion. Roll was called with the following result:

Councilmen voting YEA - Glassford, Hall, Hirons.

Councilmen voting NO - Bear, Penberthy, Sievert, Rogers.

A majority of the Councilmen voting NO - the President declared the motion lost.

City Council requested to get a disinterested Enginner for Mun.light plant plans

Councilman Penberthy seconded the motion made by Councilman Sievert that the City Council appoint a committee of its members to employ a competent and disinterested Engineer to study the plans and specifications and secure all information available on the proposed proposition of the Municipal Service and Power Corporation, and make a report to them at a meeting, and also to go over the proposed contract and make necessary alterations and suggestions.

Roll was called with the following result:

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

Councilmen voting NO - Glassford, Hall, Hiron.

A majority of the Councilmen voting YEA, the President declared the motion carried.

Councilman Penberthy moved and Councilman Hiron seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk