## Grand Junction, Colorado

## May 17, 1933

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 Carson, Ross, Oates, Boston, Roberts, Hall, and President Holcombe. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Bowie, and City Clerk Tomlinson.

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

Mr. Soderstrum reported that the Holly Sugar Co. had requested that the rates for water be reduced so as to compare with those charged at Delta. The present rate is 1.3 times that of the City rate. They expect to use about 5,000,000 gallons of water monthly, and at a time when there will be plenty of water available. A proposed ordinance changing the rate to the same as that for the City was introduced. This ordinance affects only the State Home, the Sugar Factory.

IT WAS MOVED BY Councilman Ross and seconded by Councilman Roberts that the proposed ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7 OF ORDINANCE NO. 486 PASSED AND ADOPTED APRIL 1st, 1931, ESTABLISHING WATER RATES", be passed for publication. Motion carried.

Mr. Q. D. Bonner, representing the Merchants Cafe and the La Court Hotel were present and discussed the proposed regulations on the sale of beer. A proposed ordinance was submitted, and referred to Mr. Bowie, City Attorney for his consideration, The ordinance to be submitted to the Council at a later meeting.

A letter and a telegram from Mr. H. B. Chessher, President of the Fulton Petroleum Corporation was presented. Mr. Chessher stated that he expected to have a meeting of the Board of Directors on Friday, the 19th of May, and would like to meet with the Council as soon as he had a definite proposition to present to them, which would likely be very soon. It was decided to adjourn until Wednesday evening, May 24th, if Mr. Chessher could be present at that time.

Mr. Fleming, who operates the filling station beside the Fifth Street bridge on Mrs. Wilkes' property has filed a request for \$50.00 damages which he claims on account of the loss of business during the construction of the bridge. The matter was referred to Mr. Bowie and Mr. Soderstrum, for investigation.

The Copeland Grocery made a request that they be granted a renewal of the lease on property located on the reservoir site, which they use for slaughter house purposes.

It was moved by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman

Oates that the lease on the reservoir site property be granted to the Copeland Grocery for two years, at the annual rental of \$50.00. Motion carried.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Application has been made to the City Council of the City of Grand Junction by the following-named persons, copartnerships, and corporations: Western Cafe, and Eugene Longon Grocery - for licenses from said City Council to sell beer in said City under the terms of said act:

AND WHEREAS, The City Council has investigated each of said applicants, and finds and determines that each of said applicants is qualified under said act to receive such license;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the City Manager and the City Clerk be and they are hereby ordered and directed to issue licenses to each of the above named persons for the term of one year, upon the payment by each of said applicants of the sum of eighty (\$80.00) dollars to the Clerk of the City, and upon the exhibition of the license of such applicant issued by the Treasurer of the State of Colorado, or upon the production of satisfactory evidence that the annual license fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) required to be paid to said State Treasurer, has been transmitted to said official.

That pending the exhibition of such license from the State Treasurer he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from each of said applicants said license fee of \$80.00 and issue his receipt therefor, until such license shall be issued by the Council, upon the production of such license from the State Treasurer. That prior to the issuance of such license, each applicant be required to sign and verify a written application showing that said applicant is duly qualified under said Act, which application shall be filed in the office of the City Manager.

It was moved by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Oates that the resolution be passed and adopted as read: Roll was called with the following result: All Councilmen voted AYE, and the President declared the motion carried.

City Manager Soderstrum reported that he had received a letter from the U. S. F & G. Co. in which they requested that the City Council pass a resolution directing the City Treasurer to deposit money in the Grand Valley Bank, and relieve the Treasurer & his bondsmen from liability.

It was moved by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Carson that the action of the Council by motion, passed at its regular meeting on April 5th, 1933 directing the City Treasurer to

deposit funds of the City with E. R. Thomas, Conservator of The Grand Valley National Bank, be and it is hereby supplemented to the following extent and effect - that neither the City Treasurer nor the surety on his official bond be held liable for any loss sustained by reason or on account of any deposit of funds of the City made in compliance with the aforesaid motion passed April 5th, 1933. Motion carried.

Mr. Soderstrum reported that he had investigated the matter of the tennis courts in Hawthorne Park and found that it would be necessary to cut down trees and shrubs in order to get a space large enough for the courts –  $60~\times~120~\mathrm{feet}$ . The courts would cost \$425.26, and there are no funds available for this purpose at this time.

A new petition for tennis courts was presented signed by a large number of tennis enthusiasts. The place for the tennis courts to be constructed was not specified. Mr. Soderstrum reported that they were re-surfacing the gravel courts in Lincoln Park, and might be able to fix up two more during the season. The matter was referred to the City Manager to be worked out in the best possible manner.

The bonds of Alex Bowie, City Attorney, and W. O. Allison, cement contractor were presented. It was moved by Councilman Hall and seconded by Councilman Roberts that the bonds be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

A letter from the Attorneys in New York in the matter of the Kountze Bros. case & stating that the Referee had held against the City regarding the last \$5,000.00 deposit, was read, and referred to Mr. Bowie.

A letter announcing that the Colorado Municipal League convention would be held in Canon City June 8th & 9th was read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Ross that owing to the lack of funds, and the fact that the regular meeting of the Council is on June 7th, no delegation be sent to the League convention this year. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Roberts that the meeting adjourn to meet on Wednesday, May 24th, 1933 at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson City Clerk