

Grand Junction, Colorado

September 17, 1937

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular adjourned session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Councilmen present and answering at roll call were - Ross, Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Oates, and President Enstrom. City Manager Soderstrum, City Attorney Bowie and City Clerk Tomlinson were present.

Gormley interested in buying Ternahan prop.

Mr. Soderstrum stated that Jas. Gormley was interested in purchasing some of the Ternahan tracts which the City is taking over for non-payment of taxes, just as they now are, without having the title cleared. The Council were of the opinion that if Mr. Gormley would submit a bid on each tract separately, they would dispose of these properties to him.

Ordinance on Library bonds

The following entitled Ordinance was then introduced and read - "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF THE LIBRARY BONDS OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, IN AN AMOUNT NO EXCEEDING FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00), PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID BONDS, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY".

It was then moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Holcombe, that all rules of the council which might prevent, unless suspended, the final passage and adoption of said ordinance at this meeting, be and the same are hereby suspended for the purpose of permitting the final passage and adoption of said ordinance at this time.

The question being upon the adoption of said motion and the suspension of the rules, the roll was called, with the following result:

Those voting aye: Councilmen Ross, Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Oates, and Enstrom.

Those voting nay: None.

All members of the city council having voted in favor of said motion, the President declared said motion carried and the rules suspended.

Councilman Ross then moved that said ordinance be now placed upon its final passage.

Councilman Holcombe seconded the motion.

The question being upon the placing of said ordinance upon its final passage, the roll was called, with the following result:

Those voting aye: Councilmen Ross, Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Oates, and Enstrom.

Those voting nay: None.

The presiding officer then declared the motion carried and the ordinance placed upon its final passage.

Councilman Groves thereupon moved that said ordinance be finally passed and adopted as introduced and read. Councilman Boston seconded the motion.

The question being upon the final passage and adoption of said ordinance, the roll was called, with the following result:

Those voting aye: Councilmen Ross, Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Oates and Enstrom.

Those voting nay: None.

The presiding officer thereupon declared that all members of the city council, duly elected, qualified and acting as such, having voted in favor thereof, the said motion was carried and said ordinance finally passed and adopted.

On motion duly adopted, it was then ordered that said ordinance be numbered 582; that said ordinance, after approval by the President be published in The Daily Sentinel, the official newspaper of the City, in its issue of Saturday, September 18, 1937; and said ordinance be recorded and authenticated as required by law.

Resolution granting Trade bonds

Scott Heckman was present in the interest of the "Trade Boards" being allowed in Grand Junction. The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS there was presented to the City Council a petition signed by ninety percent, or better, of the business men of Grand Junction, Colorado requesting the privilege of selling merchandise through the medium of Trade Boards as business stimulators,

AND WHEREAS such boards do not have any particular attraction or moral harm to minors,

AND WHEREAS it is not intended that such Trade Boards shall include money or novelty boards but shall be confined to merchandise sold in the usual course of business by said

merchants,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Council that the petition of the merchants be granted and that the operation of Trade Boards, as trade stimulators, be considered as not within the meaning of the ordinance respecting gambling in the city of Grand Junction.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Oates that the Resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called on the motion with the following result:

Those voting aye: Councilmen Holcombe, Groves, Boston, Carson, Oates, and Enstrom.

Those voting nay: Councilman Ross.

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

Report of Police Committee

It was reported that the Police Committee had held a meeting Thursday evening, September 16, with the Judge of the Municipal Court and the City Manager, and presented the following report.

We have studied the recommendations made by the Safety Committee of the Rotary Club, and after deliberation recommend the following:

1. That the Police Department is considerably undermanned for efficient service to the population of this City, and we are, accordingly, recommending that provisions be made in the budget for 1938 for at least three additional patrolmen.

2. That our present police force lacks proper training along the lines of police duties, and to correct this, we accordingly recommend that the City Manager get in touch with Sergeant Bemis of the Denver Police Department, who now conducts training schools for the Denver police, to ascertain the possibility and the cost of securing his services temporarily for conducting such a school for the Grand Junction police.

3. That the Police Department be furnished with additional equipment with which to properly enforce the traffic regulations as well as other violations of the laws, which will include at least one new passenger car and one solo motor cycle.

4. That it be the policy of the City Council that all violations of ordinances be fined if guilty, and that a closer check be made on all traffic tickets, and that a report of the number of tickets issued, together with a report of the Municipal Judge, be made by the City Manager to the City Council at its first meeting of each month.

5. That the practice of issuing warnings on double parking be discontinued, and that violation tickets be issued for each violation, so that, in this manner, double parking be stopped.

6. That all those using bicycles and roller skates be made to observe the traffic ordinances as provided in Sections 6, 43, 46, and 47 thereof.

7. That the Council recommend to the State Highway Department that a stop sign be placed on Fifth Street at North Avenue for the purpose of eliminating the hazard that now exists at that location.

8. That diagonal parking be discontinued on all streets excepting Main Street from First to Eight Streets, and parallel parking used instead.

Respectfully submitted,

POLICE COMMITTEE

By C. K. Enstrom
G. W. Oates
O. E. Boston

The Council considered the recommendations very carefully item by item. Nos. 1 and 3 will be further considered at the time the 1938 budget is brought up. All the other recommendations were concurred in by the Council.

Parking on W. Main at Riverside

The matter of parking cars on West Main Street in front of Riverside School was brought up. Mr. Soderstrum was instructed to paint the curb in front of the school building, to prohibit parking, and to request the School District to provide a parking area for the teachers' cars.

Proposed Ordinance on parallel parking

The following proposed ordinance was presented and read: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 30 (b) of ORDINANCE NO. 529" It was moved by Councilman Groves and seconded by Councilman Holcombe that the ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Holcombe and seconded by Councilman Boston that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk