

Grand Junction, Colorado

December 20, 1939

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. Councilmen present and answering at roll call were: Councilmen Ross, Garrison, Campbell, Carson, Treece, and President Boston. Councilmen absent: Luebbert. Acting City Manager Brownson, City Attorney Hinman, were present. City Clerk Tomlinson was absent.

It was moved by Councilman Ross and seconded by Councilman Carson that owing to the absence of Mrs. Tomlinson, City Clerk, Miss Janet McCue be appointed as City Clerk Pro tem. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting held December 6th and the regular adjourned meeting held Dec. 13th were read and approved.

The proof of Publication to the ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE APPOINTMENT OF A BUILDING CONTRACTORS' EXAMINING BOARD AND LICENSING BUILDING CONTRACTORS", was introduced and read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Treece that the Proof of Publication be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Treece and seconded by Councilman Carson that the Ordinance be called up for final passage. Motion carried.

The ordinance was then ready for discussion. James Groves, Atty. appeared on behalf of the Contractor's who are interested in having the ordinance passed, and Silmon Smith, Atty. appeared on behalf of the contractors who do not approve of the ordinance as drawn up. Mr. H. H. McMullin also spoke in regard to the ordinance and several contractors who were present stated their views.

After considerable discussion had taken place, Councilman Carson moved that action on this ordinance be deferred until the first meeting in February. The motion was duly carried and upon roll call all members present voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

A petition with the required number of signatures was presented requesting the annexation of Slocomb's Addition to the City. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the City Clerk be instructed to issued a notice of special meeting to be held at 7:25 P.M. January 24th, at which time complaints would be heard on this matter. Motion carried.

Joe Simonetti presented an application for a 3.2 beer license for 226 Pitkin Ave. He has just purchased this place from Mae Paonessa. It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Carson that the license be granted. Motion carried.

The Forbush Co. made an amended offer to purchase the tax sale certificates against Lot 16, Block 98. They offer \$36.20 for the certificates.

It was moved by Councilman Garrison that the offer be rejected. As there was no second to this motion, Mr. Garrison withdrew same.

Councilman Carson then moved that the City Treasurer be instructed to sell and assign Tax Sale Certificates No. 42751; 43110; 43259; 47955 for the sum of \$24.43 at any time within forty-five days, from & after this date providing the purchaser and assignee thereof pay or settle the general taxes on the property in question within such period. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ross. Roll was called with the following result: Councilmen voting AYE - Ross, Campbell, Carson, Treece, and Boston. Councilmen voting NO - Garrison. A majority of the Councilmen present voting AYE, the President declared the motion carried.

Mr. Hinman, Attorney, read his opinion on Mr. Hayden's request to raise the bus fare from five to eight cents or two for fifteen cent. He stated that the City Council has in their power the jurisdiction of the streets and that it would be unwise not to act on this application. It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Treece that the application for changing of fare on City buses as stated and that children from three to ten years be charged five cents, and the map filed in the office of the City Clerk showing the changes in route be approved. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting Aye. The President declared the motion carried.

The matter of the refund for water used by Kuner-Empson was brought up and discussed. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the claim of Kuner-Empson for refund in their water rent be rejected and denied. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Carson that Bruce Brownson be appointed City Manager effective January 1, 1940, at a salary of \$4,000.00 yearly. The motion was duly seconded. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council present voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Treece that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

/s/ Janet McCue
City Clerk Pro-tem