

Grand Junction, Colorado  
December 16, 1942

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: Carson, Ross, Hoisington, Boston, Robb, Campbell and President Treece. Also present were City Manager Brownson, City Attorney Banks and City Clerk Tomlinson.

The minutes of the regular meeting held December 2nd were read and approved.

Applications for the renewal of 3.2 beer licenses for Mrs. Cora Simonetti for Mae's Grocery at 226 Pitkin Ave and Mrs. Cordelia Smith for the Tavern Inn, at 1st and Main were presented. It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Carson that the applications be approved. Motion carried.

The bond for City Attorney Banks was presented. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Boston that the bond be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

The following entitled ordinance was presented and read: "AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY THE NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1st, 1943, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1943," It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Robb that the proposed ordinance be passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 661 and published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the City Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

The following entitled ordinance was presented and read: "AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY INCREASING WAGES AND SALARIES OF CITY EMPLOYEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY", It was moved by Councilman Ross and seconded by Councilman Carson that the ordinance be passed and adopted as an emergency ordinance, numbered 662 and published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the City Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

The lease for the airport between Eddie Drapela and the City was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the lease be approved and the City Manager be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Matters pertaining to the blackout which was held on Monday, December 14th were discussed and the City Manager requested to secure, if possible, a siren that can be heard a greater distance than the one we now have.

The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

Whereas on November 28, 1908, one Wm. J. Palmer conveyed to Horace T. DeLong et al. by deed recorded in Book 125 at Page 154 of the Mesa County Records the following described property hereinafter referred to as Tract 1:

W1/2 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 and W1/2 S1/2 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 26, and Lot 1 (being a part of NE 1/4 NE 1/4) of Section 27, all in Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Ute Meridian, in Mesa County, Colorado; save and except the right of way of the D. & R.G. R. R. Co.;

which said deed provided, among other things, that the said land should be held in trust for the City of Grand Junction for use as a park; that if the City should accept the land and agree to expend \$1000.00 annually for ten years, then the trustees should convey it to the City; and that if the City should fail to expend said amounts of money in improving said park, then the said property should revert to Wm. J. Palmer and his heirs; and

Whereas on February 26, 1912, by deed recorded in Book 258 at page 352, the said trustees conveyed the said Tract 1 to the City of Grand Junction subject to the terms and conditions of the Palmer deed above described; and

Whereas Elsie Meyers, Dorothy Palmer, and Marjorie Palmer Watt, the heirs at law of, and residuary legatees under the Will of, Wm. J. Palmer, deceased, did agree to convey to the City of Grand Junction the E 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 26, Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Ute Meridian, hereinafter referred to as Tract 2, together with that part of the land above described as Tract 1 lying East of the right of way of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co., and to release the said portion of Tract 1 from all reservations and conditions contained in the aforementioned Palmer deed, for the consideration of Two Thousand Dollars; and

Whereas this offer was accepted by the City on November 8, 1921, by Peoples Ordinance No. 10, and the consideration paid, and said Tract 2 was conveyed to the City and all that part of Tract 1 lying East of the right of way of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co. was conveyed to the City and was released from all the reservations and conditions of the Palmer deed, by Quitclaim Deed dated January 20, 1922, and recorded in Book 258 at page 340 of the Mesa County Records; and

Whereas the City of Grand Junction has failed to expend the sum of \$1000.00 annually for such purposes upon that portion of said Lot 1 lying West of the right of way of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co., and said portion has never been used by the

City for park purposes or other use, and the City does not now claim any right, title or interest in and to that portion of said Lot 1 lying West of the right of way of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co.; and

Whereas one L. H. Hall claims the ownership of that portion of said Lot 1 lying west of the right of way of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co., and has notified the City that he is about to commence proceedings in the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado, to quiet his title to said land;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Attorney be, and he is hereby, authorized and instructed to file an answer in said Quiet Title Proceedings, admitting the facts above set forth, and disclaiming any and all rights of the City of Grand Junction in and to that portion of Lot 1 (being a part of NE 1/4 NE 1/4) of Section 27 lying West of the right of way of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co., in Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Ute Meridian, in Mesa County, Colorado.

It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the resolution be passed and adopted as read. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

A bill from the Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$183.74 for expenses of those who went to Washington, D.C. some time ago, in the interests of securing war industries in Grand Junction, was presented. It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Carson that the bill of \$183.74 be allowed. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

The Old Time Dance Club requested that they be allowed the use of the auditorium every other Wednesday night at a rental fee of \$10.00 per night. These dances used to be held under the auspices of the Recreation Dept. cooperating with the W.P.A. It was moved by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Boston that the request be granted. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

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

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk