

Grand Junction, Colorado

April 2, 1947

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 P.M. Councilmen present and answering at roll call were Hoisington, Brown, Boston, Day, Harris and President Carson. Also present were City Manager Fritz, City Attorney Banks and City Clerk Tomlinson.

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 19, 1947, were read and, upon the suggestion of City Manager Fritz, the words "outfall sewer" were changed to "outfall storm sewer." The minutes were approved as corrected.

Mr. T. S. Campbell and Dr. R. F. Gilmore, representing the Recreation Commission, and Mr. Tom Brownson, representing the Lions Club, appeared before the Council on behalf of the Teen Age Canteen. They reported that the quonset hut being constructed in Washington Park was coming along very nicely but that they were short of funds to complete it, everything having cost more than contemplated when the project was started. They asked the Council for \$2,500, to be paid from the funds derived from the sale of the YMCA building, to be used in the completion of the Teen Age Canteen. It was moved by Councilman Day and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Council give \$2,500 to the Lions Club to complete the Teen Age Canteen, the money to be taken from the specially earmarked funds in the hands of the City Treasurer and which were received from the sale of the YMCA building. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

An emergency ordinance entitled "An Emergency Ordinance Providing an Appropriation to the Force Account Fund" was presented and read. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harris that the emergency ordinance be passed and adopted, numbered 747 and published. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

City Manager Fritz reported that the money in the parking meters had been collected on March 24, 1947, which included all the money put in the meters since they had been installed. The total collection was \$938.29. All Councilmen and the City Manager reported that the parking meters seem to be working out very satisfactorily and are becoming quite popular. Mr. Fritz also reported that he had been trying to work out a satisfactory arrangement with the doctors on parking their cars, and that within a short time off-street parking space would be available for most of the doctors. A final conference was scheduled for 11:00 A.M. Thursday, April 3.

City Manager Fritz reported that he has been negotiating with the Bureau of Land Management in trying to acquire 120 acres of

waste land suitable for dumping purposes just off No-Thoroughfare Canyon. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Boston that the City Manager be instructed to proceed with these negotiations with the intent to purchase from the Federal government this 120 acres of land. Motion carried.

Mr. Fritz reported that he had been conferring with the Borschell Agency with respect to an offer made by the Carter Oil Company for the triangular parcel of land north of the Grand Avenue viaduct known as the Nursery Tract. The Carter Oil Company seems to be anxious to secure this tract at a price of \$400, although they have not filed this bid in writing. The appraised value on the property is \$200. It was the opinion of the Council that it would be wise to advertise this tract of land so that any interested parties might have a chance to bid on it.

The City Manager reported that he was having a conference with sign builders on Saturday afternoon and that the revised sign ordinance would be submitted to the Council in the near future.

The storm drain serving the Veterans Hospital site and part of Slocomb's Addition is designed to discharge into an open ditch on the County road, which is Grand Avenue extended to the east. This open ditch will discharge into a ditch in the Grand Junction Drainage system. It will be necessary to draw up agreements with Mesa County and with the Drainage District for the use of this ditch. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the City Manager be authorized to enter into agreements with Mesa County and with the Grand Junction Drainage District for the use of ditches for the outfall storm drain. Motion carried.

Applications for the renewal of the following beer licenses were presented: Safeway Store, 217 North Seventh; Thomas Golden, 201 Colorado; City Market, 124 North Fourth; East Side Grocery, 741 Main. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Day that the renewals of beer licenses be granted. Motion carried.

Beye-Lotz Post No. 1247, V.F.W., has made application for a club liquor license. They are to take over the location in the Margery Building where the Eagles now have their club room. It was moved by Councilman Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Brown that the application be tabled and that it be advertised to be considered at the next regular meeting of the Council. Motion carried.

A request for a street light at 14th and Colorado was made. It was moved by Councilman Boston and seconded by Councilman Harris that the City Manager be instructed to have this light installed. Motion carried.

The Daughters of Union Veterans request permission to sell tags on the street on Saturday, May 17. It was moved by Councilman

Hoisington and seconded by Councilman Harris that the request be granted. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Day that May 24 be designated as Poppy Day and that the usual patriotic organization auxiliaries be granted permission to sell poppies on that day. Motion carried.

It was requested that the President of the Council sign a proclamation designating April as Cancer Month. It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Hoisington that the request be granted. Motion carried.

It was agreed by the Council that \$7 would be the amount paid to each judge and clerk serving on the Election Board for the general election to be held April 8.

It was moved by Councilman Harris and seconded by Councilman Boston that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday, April 9, at 7:30 P.M.

/s/Helen C. Tomlinson
City Clerk