

Grand Junction, Colorado  
January 5, 1955

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction met in regular session at 7:30 P. M. Councilmen present and answering roll call were McCormick, Severson, Harper, Wright, Colescott, Lowe and President Walt. Also present were City Manager Toyne, City Attorney Groves and City Clerk Tomlinson.

It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the minutes of the regular meeting held December 15th be approved as written. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CITY TREAS. TO VOTE SHARES. Mr. Howard McMullin appeared before the Council and stated that they were trying to convert the Mutual Savings and Loan Association from a mutual to a permanent stock association and that the City has 250 shares in Mutual. They are trying to get a meeting on January 28th with a quorum of stockholders present in order to vote the change. The following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED That the Grand Junction City Council hereby authorizes and directs the City Treasurer to vote the following shares owned by the City in the Mutual Savings and Loan Association at the special meeting of shareholders of said Association adjourned to January 28, 1955, in favor of the plan submitted for the conversion of the Association from a mutual to a permanent stock association, to-wit:

100 shares in the General Fund

50 shares in the Sewer Fund

100 shares in the Water Fund

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Severson 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.

TO INVESTIGATE TRAILER AND FIRE LIMITS ORD. It was pointed out to the Council that Mr. Redd, who operates a trailer sales yard at 2323 North Avenue and who is living in a trailer at that address, is in violation of the trailer ordinance. Mr. Redd would like to put in a trailer court but is unable to do so on account of the conflict between the trailer and fire limits ordinances. He is not allowed to live in the trailer and use it as a sales and demonstrator trailer.

There was considerable discussion on the matter as it seems that the trailer ordinance and the fire limits ordinance prohibit Mr. Redd from going ahead with his trailer court or living in the trailer. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Wright that this matter be returned to the Committee who originally studied the trailer ordinance, (Councilmen McCormick, Severson, and Lowe) and action held in abeyance until this committee can investigate the matter and report back to the Council on suggested changes in the ordinance. Motion carried.

The City Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Redd when this matter will be brought before the Council again.

GRANT LIQUOR LICENSE TO J. F. RITTER - RO-VEY'S. This was the date set for hearing on the liquor license for Mr. J. F. Ritter dba Ro-Vey's Cafe, 122 So. 5th St. A letter was read from Karl Johnson, Chief of Police, concerning the character and references of Mr. Ritter. It was moved by Councilman Severson and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the application be granted and license issued. Motion carried.

RENEW TEX HOUSE 3.2 BEER LICENSE. Mrs. Gertrude Henderson dba Tex House, 326 Main Street, presented an application for the renewal of her 3.2 beer license. It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman Colescott that the application be approved and the renewal granted. Motion carried.

TO ADVERTISE HEARING NADINE STEVENS' 3.2 BEER APPLICATION. Nadine Stevens has purchased the Anderson Food Mart at 929 No. 1st St. and made application for a 3.2 beer license. It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman Severson that the application be advertised in accordance with law for hearing on February 2nd. Motion carried.

GRANT OLDHAM WATER TAP. Mr. Will Davis Oldham made application for a 2 inch water tap on Orchard Mesa just back of the McCoy Implement Co. property and next to the Fante Turkey Farm for a trailer court. He stated to the Council that he desired to purchase a ten acre tract of land and wanted a water tap to serve from 75 to 100 trailers. It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman McCormick that the matter be tabled until next Council meeting. Roll was called on the motion with the following result:

Councilmen voting "AYE:" McCormick, Colescott and Lowe

Councilmen voting "NAY:" Severson, Harper, Wright and Walt

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

WATER BILL ADJUSTMENTS. The following requested water bill adjustments due to service line breaks and which were repaired as soon as discovered:

			Present Qtr.		Last year
<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Gals.</u>	<u>Amt</u>	<u>Gals.</u>	<u>Amt</u>
J. N. Craig	506 W. Ute	75,000	\$19.15	27,900	\$12.89
Joe Archuleta	631 W. Ute	67,100	16.07	24,100	8.62
Fyrne Lyons	403 Rockaway	37,700	14.61	13,100	11.35
Alice Reece	602 W. Colo.	94,600	20.79	9,300	6.15

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Harper that adjustments on the above water bills be made on the same basis as was used in the quarter in the previous year. Roll was called on the motion with all Councilmen voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

DENY WATER BILL ADJ. FOR SALT LAKE HARDWARE. Salt Lake Hardware Company requested a reduction in their water bill of \$64.34. Apparently they used a sump pump which is siphon operated and which it was necessary to use for several days during the quarter on account of a flash flood which caused water to run into their basement. Their bill for the same quarter a year ago was only \$9.39 and they asked that consideration for a refund on this bill be given. It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman Harper that the request be denied. Motion carried.

City Manager Toyne was requested to check into the sewer situation on So. 7th Street and see if anything can be done to remedy this situation when there is a heavy rainfall in the City.

APPOINT MEMBERS TO RECREATION BOARD. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Wright that Mr. I. K. Boltz, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Jas. Gormley, Member of School Dist. #51, Mr. W. D. Toyne, City Manager, and Mr. J. D. Severson, Councilman, be re-appointed as members of the Recreation Commission for a period of two years. Motion carried.

GOLF CLUB DUES. Councilman Wright replied to Dr. Hyland that he would try to have a report on whether the golf club dues would be raised at the next meeting of the Council.

DISCUSS WATER BOND ELECTION. Mr. Chas. Piccone, 133 Gunnison, was present and stated that he had talked to a large number of people concerning the water bond issue to be voted on January 11th and a number of them were opposed to the issuing of bonds at this time and a number of them did not understand what was involved or what had been done in the past. President Walt and City Attorney Groves

discussed quite at length the issues involved and the advertising that is being planned before the election; also the Kannah Creek and Collbran projects.

DISCUSS BANKS' REQUEST TO USE DRIVE UP BOOTHS TILL 6:00 P.M. City Manager Toyne brought up the matter of the Snorkel curb banking unit at the U.S. Bank of Grand Jct. and the First National Bank. The United States Bank has decided to keep their Snorkel unit open until 6:00 o'clock and were wondering about the use of the parking spaces until that time. No doubt the First National Bank will soon have longer hours for their Drive-Up Teller's booth. In accordance with their agreement, there were no hours specifically set for the use of these units and the City Attorney agreed there would be no necessity for a further agreement with the banks in order for them to use the parking spaces for a longer period of time each day.

SETTLE H. L. PRICE CONDEMNATION SUIT \$2,127. City Attorney Groves reported that the condemnation suit against Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Price had been settled for \$2,127 which is the same ratio as the City paid the Hayashi Estate. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the amount of \$2,127 in settlement for the Price property be agreed to by the Council. Roll was called on the motion with all members of the Council voting "AYE." The President declared the motion carried.

APPOINT FORREST M. CARHARTT MUNICIPAL JUDGE. Councilman Harper as Chairman of the Police and Fire Committee reported that Lawrence Finnessey, Judge of the Municipal Court, had resigned and desired to be relieved of his duties as of Jan. 15th. The Fire and Police Committee had met several times and considered eight applications for the position. Those of Forrest M. Carhartt, Wm. Wallace, Jr., Dan Eastman, D. L. Yarnell, J. E. Moore, Valdemar Jessen and verbal applications from Wm. C. Gray and Roy Weaver.

After due and careful consideration, the Committee had recommended Forrest M. Carhartt for the position. It was moved by Councilman Lowe and seconded by Councilman McCormick that the report of the Police and Fire Committee be accepted and the appointment of Forrest M. Carhartt as Judge of the Municipal Court be approved. Motion carried.

SALARY MUN. JUDGE SET \$4,200. The following Resolution was presented and read:

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, that the salary of the Judge of the Municipal Court for the year 1955 and thereafter until such time as the City Council shall make a change therein shall be \$350.00 per month, such salary shall be paid at the close of each and every month.

Adopted and approved this fifth day of January, 1955.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Severson 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.

CITY SHOP LOCATION. Councilman Lowe reported that the Committee to select a site for the new city shops had met with the City Manager and City Engineer but that they had decided to go into the financial picture and would wait until the next meeting of the Council to present their final report.

CITY TRUCKS LOSING TRASH. Councilman Wright reported that the trucks hauling rubbish to the dump were losing a lot of their material on the way to the dump and asked if something could be done about this matter. City Manager Toyne offered to see about getting canvas to cover the trucks.

COMIC BOOK SITUATION. Councilman Wright also reported again on the comic book situation, and it was the consensus of opinion of the Council that City Manager Toyne and Councilman Wright should try to secure copies of ordinances which have recently been passed in other cities regulating the sale of comic book and see if they are applicable in this City.

PRES. WALT ON DIRTY STREETS. President Walt asked City Manager Toyne about the cleaning of the streets and stated that they were in an extremely dirty condition, and stated that he would like to see something done about it even if it took more money. City Manager Toyne reported that \$16,000 had been spent in 11 months on street cleaning.

J.C. WEEK MAY 9, 1955. President Walt read a letter from the Junior Chamber of Commerce notifying the City that their state convention would be held here in May and requesting that the City issue a proclamation designating the week of May 9th as J.C. week.

ACCEPT BONDS. It was moved by Councilman Harper and seconded by Councilman Lowe that the following bonds be accepted and filed:

Theron L. Benson	Cement Contractor
W.R. Hall Transportation & Storage Co.	House mover
Kendall Electric Co.	Electrical Cont.
Valley Gas and Electric Co.	Electrical Cont.
Mt. Garfield Plumbing & Heating Co.	Gas Installer

Lane and Co.	Gas Installer
Valley Gas & Electric Co.	Gas Installer
Ralph South	House Mover

Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilman Colescott and seconded by Councilman Harper that the meeting adjourn until 7:30 P. M. Wednesday, January 12, 1955. Motion carried.

/s/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk