

**Grand Junction, Colorado**

**January 4, 1967**

**ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. January 4, 1967 in the Civic Auditorium at City Hall. Councilmen present and answering roll call were Chas. E. McCormick, R. B. Evans, Chas. H. Love, R. G. Youngerman, Herbert M. Wright and President Ray A. Meacham. Councilman Colescott was absent. Also present were City Attorney Gerald J. Ashby, City Manager Richard Gray and City Clerk Helen C. Tomlinson.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Rev. O. Sundal, Grand Junction Gospel Tabernacle.

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Love that the minutes of the regular meeting held December 21, 1966 be approved as written. Motion carried.

**3.2 BEER RENEWAL - FOOD TIME DRIVE IN GROC #1 1117 N 1ST GRANTED**

An application for renewal of 3.2 beer license for Food Time Drive-In Grocery No. 1 at 1117 North First Street was presented. A letter was read from Police Chief Karl Johnson calling attention to two violations at this location which had occurred in 1966. A reprimand had been given for the first one and on the last one, the Council had suspended the license for a period of ten days. It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Evans that the application be approved and license granted when State license has been received. Motion carried.

**ANNEXATION - BURR BOLEN, TRACT BOOKCLIFF & CANNELL - APPROVE BOUNDARIES - ELIGIBLE FOR PETITION**

At the December 28th meeting of the Grand Junction Planning Commission, it was recommended to the Council that boundaries for annexation of a plot of ground at Bookcliff and Cannell Ave. be approved. This area contains about one and one-fourth acres, and there is only one residence on the property at this time. Mr. Burr Bolen owns the whole lot of ground which is described as follows:

Beginning at the SW Corner of Lot 4, Capitol Hill Subdivision, Section 11, T. 1 S., R. 1 W. of the Ute Meridian; thence East 88.0 feet; thence North 274.0 feet; thence West 226.8 feet to the Easterly R.O.W. of the Little Bookcliff Railroad; thence along said Easterly R.O.W. S. 33° 02' W. 326.82 feet; thence East 317.0

feet to the Point of Beginning; Except the South 15.0 feet for Road Right-of-Way.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Evans that the Council approve the above-described boundaries for annexation and instruct the Development Department to prepare petitions for annexation of the area. Motion carried.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE - ADD WATER RATE FOR CITY RESIDENTS USING UTE WATER**

The following entitled proposed ordinance was presented and read: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-12 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION TO PROVIDE A WATER RATE FOR CITY RESIDENTS OBTAINING WATER AS INDIVIDUALS FROM THE UTE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SYSTEM.

City Manager Gray explained that this ordinance would provide that Ute District residents who become City residents and receive Ute water under an agreement between the Ute District and the City, which is now being discussed, and hoped to become effective soon, would pay the Ute minimum bulk rate. This rate is \$4.00 for a minimum of 4,000 gallons, plus fifty cents per thousand gallons thereafter. The City would plan to charge \$4.00 for 3,000 gallons minimum, with fifty cents per thousand gallons thereafter.

It was moved by Councilman Love and seconded by Councilman McCormick that the proposed ordinance be passed for publication. Motion carried.

**WATER IMPROVEMENT**

City Manager Gray requested that the Council approve the appointment of Henningson, Durham and Richardson as Consulting Engineers to go ahead with Phase II of the Water Development program. The City entered into an agreement with this firm of Consultants in April, 1964. Phase I of the program has been satisfactorily completed. Phase II would be the designing of the water treatment plant. It was moved by Councilman McCormick and seconded by Councilman Evans that the City Manager be authorized to sign an agreement with Henningson, Durham & Richardson for Phase II of the Water Development program. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL - REORGANIZE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT - GUS BYROM APPOINTED ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER, AL WING UTILITY DIRECTOR**

City Manager Gray presented to the Council his plan for the re-organization of the Engineering Department. At the present time, Davis C. Hickman is City Engineer and is in direct charge of Engineering, Utilities and Public Works, which includes more than half of our City employees. He proposed to make Gus Byrom, who is a registered engineer, Assistant City Engineer with an increase in salary of \$50 per month. Mr. Byrom is now Traffic Engineer-Airport

Manager. He would add to his duties, supervision of all other Public Works employees. Mr. Alvin Wing, who is now Operations Director and supervises Utilities and Public Works under Mr. Hickman, would become Utilities Superintendent and could devote all of his time and talents to the Utilities Division.

City Manager Gray stated that he felt that the City had the talent to go ahead and do a good job in all departments; that by giving Mr. Hickman more help, he could devote more time to utilities problems. In this way, with the Council's support and financial backing, the City Administration could bring all departments up to the standard the Council wants. Mr. Hickman's experience as a City Manager and City Engineer is very valuable to the City, and if utilized to the best advantage, no other outside assistance should be necessary.

It was moved by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Youngerman that the Council ratify Mr. Gray's re-organization plan and approve an additional yearly salary for Gus Byrom in the amount of \$600.00. Motion carried.

City Manager Gray told the Council that he felt there were two sides to the story concerning the poor housekeeping at the filter plant, and that possibly all of the difficulties were not recognized by the Health Department, but under the reorganization, he expected to see considerable improvement in a short time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Councilman Evans and seconded by Councilman Love that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

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/S/ Helen C. Tomlinson  
City Clerk