

Twitchell, asking permission to flume a portion of the canal at their own expense. Adopted.

The committee on improvements made a report on the petition of Cornelius Green, asking the city to sell him two acres of land which included a part of the old canal bed. The committee stated that, as the new canal was not yet constructed, it might become necessary to use the old one, and therefore it would not be advisable to make the sale at present. Mr. Green wanted to establish extensive brick yards, and they thought he should be encouraged. They advised that the ground be leased to him for this purpose, upon the condition that he would restore the canal to its former condition whenever the council deemed it necessary. Adopted.

The committee on public grounds reported adversely on the petition of H. McCartney, asking that the city sell him a certain tract of land. Adopted.

The committee on waterworks reported adversely on the petition of the trustees of the Salt Lake Academy, and of the Ninth School District, asking an abatement of the special tax assessed against them. The committee did this upon the advice of the city attorney that school property was not exempted from the payment of special taxes, and that the council could not remit any of such taxes.

City Attorney Merritt read from some decisions in New York in support of his view.

Mr. Hall wanted to know if the Council had not the power to remit special taxes.

Col. Merritt—They have not the power?

Mr. Hall—I am not a lawyer, but I do not agree with the city attorney on that proposition.

The committee on waterworks reported adversely to the petitions of Hugh Anderson, R. G. Savage, T. W. Little, J. C. Cutler and Thomas J. Curtis regarding the extension of the water mains.

The report was adopted with the exception of that portion referring to the petitions of Hugh Anderson and others, which was sent back to the committee for further consideration.

On the petition of Moses Ludlow and others, asking an extension of the water mains, the committee on waterworks recommended that the petition be sent back for more signatures. Adopted.

The committee on waterworks reported favorably on the petitions of Jacob Weiler, Isabella Brunner and Wm. Langton. Adopted, and notices of intention to extend the water mains in the districts referred to by the petitioners ordered published.

The finance committee recommended that the salary of the city scavenger be fixed at \$125 per month, the scavenger to provide his own horse and buggy. Adopted.

The committee on streets reported in favor of granting the Saltair Railway Company a franchise on Third South Street, west from East Temple.

The bill providing for this franchise was taken up on its third reading. It was amended by striking out the word "animals" from among the motive powers that could be used.

Mr. Cohn moved that the road be constructed to the satisfaction of the city engineer, instead of the City Council. Lost.

A tax of 1½ mills for each passenger carried in the city limits was imposed, and the time of the construction of the line to the lake was limited to six months.

Mr. James moved that the fare within the city should not exceed five cents. This motion was lost, and the figure was placed at ten cents.

The bill was then placed upon its passage. All of the members voted aye except Mr. James, whose vote was recorded in the negative on the nickel fare proposition.

The committee on sanitary and quarantine regulations recommended the appointment of David Evans as inspector of plumbing. Adopted, and Mr. Evans was appointed.

The committee on sewers recommended the printing of 500 of each of several blanks to be filled out with applications to connect with the sewers. Adopted.

The Mayor was authorized to correct the deeds referred to in the petition of S. A. Woolley.

Mr. Pembroke offered a resolution requiring the trees and other obstructions on Second South Street, west of Seventh West, be removed by abutting land owners. Referred to the committee on streets.

An ordinance fixing the compensation of city scavenger, as before stated, was taken up and passed.

A curfew ordinance was then read twice and referred to the committee on municipal laws. It provides a penalty for all children under sixteen years of age being found out after 9 p.m., without a guardian; and also that the bell at the city hall shall be tolled from 8:45 to 9 p.m. daily.

When it was read Mr. Pembroke moved to lay it on the table, but this was opposed by Mr. James, who said the police had requested the passage of such an ordinance, as they frequently found little boys out on the streets late at night, or sleeping in boxes, barrels, etc. They wanted authority to take them into custody, as they did much of the mischief that was carried on.

Mr. Pembroke offered a resolution asking the recorder to furnish information as to what had been done by the former City Council toward the creation of pleasure drives in City Creek Canyon, as he wanted to see such plans carried out. The resolution passed.

The following sums were appropriated:

Salt Lake Abstract, Title and Guaranty Co., for plats for the assessor and collector's office.....	\$ 948
Wm. H. Dickson for a legal opinion...	250
W. G. Van Horne for similar service...	250
Kentrill & Eisner, for instruments for the city engineer's office.....	450
Waterworks fund.....	2500
Right of way for canal.....	1200

Mr. Cohn asked for information regarding the status of the joint city and county building.

No reply was made to this inquiry.

Mr. Spafford introduced a resolution providing that the street and other railways be required forthwith to plank their crossings in all parts of town. Carried.

The city marshal was ordered to see that contractors and builders conform to the regulations regarding enclosures and excavations about buildings being erected.

Col. Merritt asked that the marshal, street supervisor and police be directed to strictly enforce the ordinance relative to excavations, obstructions, etc., in the streets. It was subject to gross violations in all parts of town, and if a change did not take place the city would be subjected to further damage suits.

Mr. James said that among the worst violations was that of the sewers, being constructed by the city. The excavations were left entirely without proper protection.

The order asked for by Col. Merritt was made.

City Engineer Doremus reported that Eighth South Street, from Tenth East to the Fort Douglas reservation, and Sixth, Seventh and Eighth streets, where they should connect with Canyon Road were all closed.

The marshal was instructed to give notice this week, to those who had enclosed the streets to open them forthwith.

The city engineer submitted two plans for the improvement of Washington Square as a public park. Referred to the committee on public grounds.

Two renewals of liquor licenses were granted, and two new applications were referred to the committee on license.

The Sunday evening concerts ordinance was then taken up.

Mr. Cohn moved that its consideration be postponed for one week. Lost.

Mr. Anderson said that several gentlemen had been accorded the privilege of addressing the Council on the subject, but, as it was getting late he suggested that they make their remarks as brief as possible.

Mr. Pembroke—I move that the preachers be limited to five minutes. Mr. Lynn—Oh give them ten.

Mr. Noble—Let them have all the time they want.

The last suggestion prevailed.

Rev. R. G. McNiece was then invited to speak. He said that it was so late that it seemed hard to ask the Council to remain longer. But there were representatives of the Christian sentiment here, who were opposed to the ordinance suggested. They came to co-operate with the Council in arriving at a wise decision. They did not want any cast iron rule for the observance of Sunday. It probably would not hurt the members of the Council to go to church on Sunday, but he wanted no compulsion. There was the religious Sabbath and the civil Sabbath—the former provided for by divine law, and the latter by the civil law. They were here only for the civil Sabbath, and did not intend to insist on the observance of