

As suggested, delay under the circumstances cannot work any serious injury, but would be better than to commence the work so late in the season. I think that prudence suggests that the material proposed should be subjected to the coming winter's test before its final adoption.

Respectfully submitted.

R. N. BASKIN, Mayor.

ONLY GAS STOCK SOLD.

The following bid for the 787 shares of gas stock owned by the city from E. H. Rollins & Sons, was read: For the 787 shares of stock, \$100,000, and if the franchise of the Salt Lake Power, Light & Heating company was extended for twelve and one-half years, they would give \$105,000. A certificate check for \$10,000 accompanied the bid. As said franchise still runs for twelve and one-half years, such action would extend it for twenty-five years from date.

Beardsley moved to accept the \$100,000 proposition.

Hardy said the Council should be a little careful how it moved in the matter. The city had gradually been disposing of all its earning property. If the present reckless course were continued it would be necessary to increase the rate of taxation. That would be a burden on property owners. The city's gas stock was now paying an annual dividend of \$26,000 that would pay the interest of a great many bonds.

Horn said he was not in favor of the city owning any property in outside corporations. He seconded Mr. Beardsley's motion.

Wantland also spoke in favor of Mr. Beardsley's motion.

Hardy said that the gas company's net earnings in 1891 were \$36,000. The city's proposition of that amount would be about one-third.

Lawson said that Mr. Karrick intimated a few weeks since that \$160 per share could be secured, but he was not present for some good reason he presumed. It was a question in his mind, however, if it would not be advisable to defer action for a few days.

Wantland said again that the sale of the stock would be beneficial to the city—which would need the \$100,000 and as much more as it could get. The prospect of selling the corner near the city was not very bright at present.

Rich—Do we need the money now?

Wantland—Not tonight.

Rich—How soon?

Wantland—Just as quickly as we can get it.

Rich—You are a member of the finance committee. Will you tell me how much money we have in the treasury?

Wantland (hesitatingly)—Well—

Rich—About \$190,000?

Wantland—Yes, I think so.

Beardsley—We have been giving franchises away here for some time, perhaps it would be a good idea to investigate the matter and see if we cannot get a \$5000 bonus.

Hardy—I want to—

Simondi—I object to Mr. Hardy speaking more than once. I insist on the rules being enforced.

Moran (generously)—I move that Mr. Hardy be given unanimous consent to speak again.

Simondi—I object.

Moran—Then he can use my turn.

The chair (smilingly)—You can delegate no such power to a colleague.

Simondi withdrew his objection and Hardy was allowed to take the floor. He simply advised that further action be deferred in the matter for one week, and so moved.

The chair stated that he believed that all the verbal motions made were out of order.

Lawson—As this is a matter of public trust involving the disposition of valuable property, as business men and public custodians we cannot afford to sell this tonight. We should take reasonable time to consider this proposition. He moved that the matter be laid over for one week.

MR. PENHALE AMENDS.

Mr. George F. Penhale, a representative of the Rollins' Company, was present and amended his former proposition so as to give the city \$105,000 cash down and the matter of extending the franchise of the Power, Light and Heating Company to be considered afterwards.

Lawson said that as representatives of 65,000 people the Councilmen could not afford to close the bargain without further investigation. Perhaps the bid would be increased. It had already been increased during the evening by the amount of \$5000. He wanted it to reach the apex.

Wantland—I would like to know where the gentleman found that word; also if he included unborn children in his instantaneous census.

"Rapi Rapi!" went the president's gavel with the words "gentlemen you must not be personal."

THE SALE COMPLETED.

The sale was consummated on the following vote: Ayes—Beardsley, Folland, Heise, Horn, Kelly, Rich, Simondi, Wantland—8. Noes—Evans, Hardy, Lawson, Loofbouro, Moran—5.

SANITARY CENSUS ENUMERATORS.

The board of health sent in a communication appointing the following gentlemen as sanitary inspectors at a compensation of \$3 per day: L. C. Johnson, Fred Taylor, W. B. Andrew, Mr. Newton, W. S. Hawkes, I. N. Fisher, Frank May, G. B. Mahan, Mr. Druce, Mort G. Taylor. Sanitary committee.

THE MAYOR'S VETOES

were then taken up on motion of Lawson. The paving contract veto was first considered.

Beardsley said: I am going to vote against the mayor's veto. We want some work done here. We have got a lot of idle men here, probably 500, to put to work. It would be an act of charity.

Rich—I am in favor of proceeding with paving. I am opposed to the mayor's veto. We are being trifled with by the mayor like school boys. In the interest of facilitating business I suggest that hereafter when bids are received by the Council we simply refer the matter to the mayor and let him signify which company we shall give the contract to.

Wantland—I am in favor of doing the work now.

Lawson—This Council is composed of fifteen men who are under oath to perform their duties honestly and to the city's interest. Yet the mayor overrides our actions invariably. Why should he? Of course he gets a salary

larger than all of ours combined, but that does not make a bigger or a better man.

The contract was then again ratified on the following vote notwithstanding the mayor's veto:

Ayes—Beardsley, Evans, Folland, Hardy, Heise, Kelly, Lawson, Moran, Rich, Wantland—10.

Noes—Horn, Loofbouro, Simondi—3.

THIS ALSO WAS REPASSED.

The vetoed resolution granting an amended franchise to the Great Salt Lake, Bountiful & Hot Springs railway was also passed over the mayor's protest. The vote stood:

Ayes—Beardsley, Evans, Heise, Horn, Kelly, Lawson, Loofbouro, Moran, Simondi, Wantland—10.

Nays—Folland, Hardy, Rich—3.

An adjourned session of the City Council was held last night. President Loofbouro was absent and his seat was occupied with dignity and ability by Councilman Rich.

The members in attendance were Folland, Moran, Horn, Lawson, Kelly, Evans, Beardsley, Wantland, Heise, Hardy, Rich—11.

Absent—Loofbouro, Bell, Karrick—3.

THE PROCEEDINGS.

The regular proceedings of the Council are given below.

THEY WILL HAVE LIGHT.

On recommendation of the committee on improvements an electric light was ordered placed at the intersection of Third South and Eighth West streets.

THE "SILENT STEED" NUISANCE.

The committee on streets sent in two reports on the bicycle proposition.

The majority report signed by Councilors Wantland and Hardy recommended that the city attorney be instructed to draw up an ordinance prohibiting coasting and fast riding on paved sidewalks by bicyclers or tricyclers. They believed that the riders of the silent steed should be prohibited from riding on the sidewalks except they complied with certain regulations.

The minority report signed by Messrs. Lawson and Heise recommended that bicycles be allowed to use the sidewalks up to 9 a. m., but not after that hour.

After considerable discussion the majority report was adopted.

CURRENT STREET IMPROVEMENT.

It is ordered that Current street be graded and otherwise improved.

NATURAL GAS FRANCHISES.

The committee on streets submitted two reports on the matter of granting franchises to the Indiana and Salt Lake Natural Gas company.

The majority report signed by councilors Heise, Hardy and Bell recommended that franchises be granted, provided the companies produce gas in sufficient quantity for commercial purposes.

The minority report signed by Wantland and Lawson recommended that no franchise be granted either company at present and that the recorder be instructed to communicate with the American Gas and Fuel company, (which has a franchise) requesting them to fur-