

DESERT EVENING NEWS.

Wednesday, January 6, 1897.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

The Surplus Canal Question Again Before the Council.

LEYDON'S MACHINERY ORDINANCE

Passed by a Vote of Eight to Four—A Busy Session—Miss Harlow's Motion.

The members of the City Council got down to work last night and transacted a large amount of business. All were present except O'Meara. Mayor and Hayward left the council chamber early in the evening without excusing themselves, necessitating President Newell sending the important matters, requiring their vote, came up, but on which there were decidedly mixed and divided.

The city attorney submitted a voluminous report on the surplus canal question, during the reading of which the members were gathered together in small knots, discussing propositions other than the one under consideration. The recorder read on, however, and to those listening it could be plainly seen that the city attorney was opposed to the proposed improvement. He pointed out the contents of various parties on their right to control the flow of water through the canal, at all seasons of the year. He thinks this question should be settled, but the city attorney is not in favor of it.

The construction of the canal from Williams' lake to Great Salt Lake at an estimated cost of \$20,000, exclusive of right of way, which the city has not yet secured, would not accomplish what the city desires, even though the right to control the flow of water through the canal was unquestioned. It will require an additional expenditure of \$15,000 to widen the canal from the dam in the Jordan river to Williams' lake before it will have sufficient capacity to relieve the southwestern portion of the city from inundation during the high water season. This brings the aggregate cost to at least \$35,000, and it is later on the work are paid at the rate of \$1.75 per day, as required by the resolution introduced by O'Meara and passed by the Council, the whole work will cost, in our opinion, at least \$70,000 exclusive of the right of way.

All the conclusions of the reading of the ordinance moved that the board of public works defer opening bids till the 1st of May.

"We asked for an opinion and not for action," said Callister.

In a lengthy communication water-master C. H. Whitcomb denied that the proposed extension of the surplus canal was made in the interest of a few. He warned the Council that

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should the lower portion of the city be again flooded, neither he nor his husband would be responsible.

The question of the city attorney looking after the city's interest in the surplus canal was discussed. The city attorney was instructed to look after the city's interest in the canal, and to see that the city's interest was protected. It was decided whether or not he was entitled to it.

AN EXTENSION OF LICENSE ORDINANCE

C. H. Gater, manager and proprietor of the Lyceum theater, asked for an extension of six months on their license, extending from the 1st of January for the past three months had been closed for six weeks. License committee.

LEYDON'S MACHINERY ORDINANCE

LEYDON'S machinery ordinance was passed by a vote of 8 to 4. The ordinance provided the payment of \$5 annually for machines requiring a license on the city, and \$5 and \$10 on 10 and 20 machines. A motion was made for a deposit of \$25,000.

THE COMMITTEE ON SURPLUS CANAL

The committee on surplus canal was referred the petition of the Dams and Levees, and other petitioners, asking that the right of way be transferred from the city engineer's office to the board of health, reported adversely. Report referred back to same committee.

CLAIM ALLOWED

The committee on claims recommended the payment to Benjamin Harris the sum of \$10 for damage to his land by an overflow of water at the mouth of Parker's canyon. Adopted.

ONSTAY AND HENRY HEADQUARTERS

The Mayor reported that he had received a letter from a resident, Mr. Harper J. Dinning, a Democrat, member of the police and fire commission for the term of two years, commencing January 1st.

ACQUITTAL OF THE CANAL FROM WILLIAMS' LAKE TO GREAT SALT LAKE

Secretary John H. Daily of the Utah Power company, in a communication to the Council, stated that the company accepted conditionally the franchise granted by the Council, filed.

DUG LICENSE FEE

The city recorder reported the collection of \$250 as dog license fees for the month of December, 1896, also the dog license fees for the month of January, 1897, amounting to \$250.

AN ORDER TO COMPROMISE

James W. Pate offered to compromise a damages suit of \$5,000 he now has against the city for the sum of \$1,000. Decendant claims to have been damaged on account of his house being flooded through the neglect of the city. The city attorney had previously recommended that Pate be paid the sum he now offers to settle for. He says: "I will settle after accepting it would be paid soon."

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Joseph B. Adkins asked for a renewal of a free public license.

Staff Captain George Egger of the Salvation Army petitioned the Council to place an arm light on Franklin avenue. Chief Paul gave the petition, adding that the placing of the light would be a great benefit to his department.

J. S. Jensen, by his attorney, Joseph Lippman, asked to be reinstated in the sum of \$100, for damages done to his property—a ranch, near Payson, by a fire, through the bursting of a pipe to the ranch, by having a chimney leak, causing a fire of both cattle and buildings.

A. L. Hanson petitioned the Council to pay him \$247, the balance on the contract between Hobson and Wilson for paving sidewalks on Second street between Sixth and West and the Jordan river. Committee on claims.

Mulvey introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a special committee of three city street light, with authority to employ a competent electrical engineer, to visit the committee in taking steps to furnish the city with cheaper light. The resolution was adopted, after a

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heated debate between Murray and Callister.

After reading the list of appropriate Council members for one week.

THE ASSESSMENT FOR 1896.

Corrected Figures by Census show a Total Valuation of \$1,072,253.83.

The following is the estimated statement of the total assessed valuation of property in Utah by counties for the year 1896. The compilation is by Secretary John J. Thomas of the State Board of Equalization, and is addressed to State Auditor Richards in the language terms given:

Dear Sir—This statement is a full, true and correct statement of the assessed valuation of property assessed by the county assessors and is based on the valuation as shown by the returns of the county clerks of the several counties, and the county of Salt Lake for the year 1896.

COUNTIES	TOTAL
Beaver	1,154,000
Benet	1,154,000
Box Elder	1,154,000
Butte	1,154,000
Carbon	1,154,000
Cassia	1,154,000
Chamberlain	1,154,000
Cedar	1,154,000
Cherokee	1,154,000
Cheyenne	1,154,000
Columbia	1,154,000
Converse	1,154,000
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Cotton	1,154,000
Crow	1,154,000
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