PAUL MARSHAL.

A Committee's Sarcastic Reply to Mayor Baskin.

MORE ACRIMONIOUS WARFARE.

The Chief Executive Sends in a Message Vetoing the Sewer Ordinance and it is "Revested" by Lawson.

ANOTHER SCHEME TO GIVE "LIBERAL VOTERS PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.

The Paving Question Again Goes over Until Friday.—The Amended Scheme Favorably Reported Upon.—The Road to Stagger.

The City Council met in regular session last night, President Lofgren in the chair. The members present were: Rich, Folland, Harty, Rice, Morgan, Bell, Lawson, Evans, Westland, Earnes, Stonsdal, Hess.

FILE UNACCEPTED.

Roll called showed that S. F. Walker, Dalton's successor, was not present to fill the councilmanic chair recently made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Dalton.

The competing paving companies and a large number of friends and sympathizers and curious spectators occupied every available inch of room in the auditorium of the council chamber.

The minutes of the previous session were read, amended and approved, after which the recorder read the account of the proceedings of the recent board of equalization and review meetings. These were also approved.

TAX ROLL ATTACKED.

On motion of Folland the city tax roll, as returned by Assessor and Collector Leonard and passed upon by the City Council sitting as a board of equalization and review, was accepted and the board adjourned sine die.

Regular Proceedings.

It was 8:30 when the regular business of the evening commenced.

PETITIONS

were read and referred as follows:

The Ladies' Literary Club asked that the Council appropriate $150 per month to the Pioneer Library instead of $60 a month—the amount already paid to that institution by the city.

Westland moved that the request be granted.

Hess said he wanted further light on the matter.

Rich said that originally $900 per season only was applied for, but the Council felt generous and gave $1000 to the library people. He moved to stand by referring it to the committee on claims.

Westland spoke in favor of the petition.

The motion to refer carried.

PITTS' RESIGNATION.

The resignation of Policeman Pitts was accepted.

S. A. McDowall asked to be reimbursed for taxes paid in 1891. Committee on claims.

WANT THEIR MONEY.

Lewis M. Cannon, who has paid $90, and A. H. Cannon, who has paid $225.75 for watering the extensions which have not yet been made, sent in the following communication which was referred to the committee on waterworks:

We, your petitioners, beg to represent that we did on the 11th day of July, last, pay to Calander F. L. Leonard the sums opposite our names in consideration of a promise that the waterworks would immediately be extended from Seventh to Tenth South streets on Eighth West, in petition for such extension having been favorably acted upon by your honorable body. The tax for the said extension of mains was to be levied within one year upon the property to be thus benefited, and there was to be refunded to us from such collections as amounts equal to that which we had paid, less the number of rods due to our property on the street named. Since this payment was made no effort has been made to collect the assessment tax, nor have the mains been laid; we therefore ask that you refund to us the amounts we have paid into the city and for which we hold receipts. We still hold ourselves in readiness to pay our proportion of the expense to the extension of the mains, but we wish done to have our money placed where we receive no benefit therefrom. We therefore ask for your early and favorable action on our request for the return of our money.

STREET OBSTRUCTIONS.

R. Pettit asked that a nuisance in the shape of Union Pacific cars loaded with freight, standing in front of his premises, be abated. Folland moved that it be referred to the mayor. The chair was of the opinion that such action would be eminently proper. The chief executive should be down there with his organized army of policemen and clear the nuisance. The suggestion was a serious one and required merits consideration. It should be handled without gloves.

Folland said the matter had once before been considered.

On motion of Hess it was referred to the mayor with power to act.

REDUCED ASSESSMENT.

A petition was read from 1112 property owners, asking that a reduction of 25 per cent be made in the city assessment. The petitioners, they claim, is that more bigger than the fair cash value of the property. The times they complain are hard and money scarce and the high tax a great burden. Left on the table.

PAVING PETITIONS.

A petition signed by 110 owners representing 9/10 frontage, asking that First and Second South streets, starting the latter to be paved, was read, asking that the paving contracts on said streets be awarded to Colmer-Jennings Company. Left over until paving contract comes up.

A petition signed by 300 citizens was read, praying that the contract for paving State and First and Second South streets be awarded to some of the home companies instead of the Barber Company, and that the home companies be instructed to employ citizens of Salt Lake, and that home materials be used. Laid on the table until the paving question comes up.

G. F. Richards asked that he be reimbursed for damages done to his property on North State street by public grading. Committee on streets.

William Thompson asked for $200 damages on account of manure pile on his property. Committee on streets.

MORE EXECUTIVE VETOES.

Mayor Baskin sent in the following:

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 13, 1892.

To C. E. Saunton, Esq., City Recorder:

SIR—I herewith return unapproved ordinances number 224, 225, 226 and 227, for the following reasons:

Section 11 of the act of the legislature relating to municipal charters, page 41 of statute of 1892, provides that the board of public works shall superintend such work and the execution of such improvements, except the city halls, market houses, jails or other public buildings, as may be ordered by the City Council.

This ordinance of the board applies as well to work on improvements done by workmen employed directly by the city, as to work on improvements let to contract. This application can not be limited or taken away except by the body which granted it, to the board and any ordinance or other act of the city which attempts to do this is prohibited and void. Each of the ordinances in question contains a clause to the effect that the expenditure of the money and the making of the improvements respectively authorized and directed to be made therein, shall be under the direction and supervision of the superintendent of the board of public works. This duty was thus imposed by a statute of the Territory upon the board of public works it cannot be considered by ordinance upon the other person, or board, or committee, taking upon themselves the performance of a specific duty, and supervision of the proposed improvements attempted, and, those ordinances must be rejected.

Moran—I move that the communication be laid on the table until next meeting. Carried.

FROM THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

The board of public works reported favorably on the assignment of special sidewalk taxes against Joslin and Park and Charles Crane. Adopted.

THE ANNEXATION BOGEIN.

The city attorney sent in a favorable report on the constitutionality of the proposed annexation scheme which was received and filed.

GLASSBURNS QUERIES.

The city also reported adversely on the questions of Glassburns recently introduced by Councilman Rich. Adopted.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS.

The same official reported favorably on the Brigham Young company's transfer of property for street purposes. Adopted.

ROAD TO MORGAN.

The city engineer submitted a report stating that it would cost from $4000 to $5000 to construct a wagon road up City Creek canyon as far as the city lands extend, a distance of about three miles. He also suggested that the purity of the city water supply be taken into consideration before the Council act on the matter. Laid on the table until later in the evening.

APPOINTMENTS CONFIRMED.

The committee on police reported favorably on the appointment by the Mayor of Patrolmen Estes, Hills and Walker; also the appointment by the same official of Chief Paul as city marshal. The appointments were confirmed. In the matter of the appointment of Mr. Davenport as Liberty Park policeman, the committee also reported favorably with the exception of Mr. Folland, who had been informed that Mr. Davenport was a non-resident. Adopted.

HE DON'T WANT IT.

On request of Patrolman Caulon his appointment was not confirmed. Adopted.

CROSS WALKS.

The committee on streets recommended that cross walks be repaved on East South Temple streets, where said thoroughfare connects with North state, B, C, D, E, F and G streets. Adopted.

GAS COMPANY FRANCHISE.

The committee on municipal law submitted two reports on the request of the Indiana Natural Gas & Pipe company. The majority report signed by Messrs. Loofbourow, Horn and Hoyer, recommended that the franchise be granted. The minority report signed by Messrs. Harty and Stonsdal, recommended that the franchise be denied until such time as the company had gas in commercial quantities. Both reports were laid on the table.

TO EMPLOY "LIBERAL" VOTERS.

The committee on streets recommended that sewerage be constructed on both sides of East South Temple, First and Second South streets as far east as Twelfth. The estimates of the engineer accompanied his report. They were:

Brigham Young	
Assessment tax	$112 40
City's proportion	16 06
Total	$128 46
Thompson	
Total front feet	
Assessment tax	[illegible]
City's proportion	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
Total assessment tax	[illegible]
City's proportion	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

Folland said he understood that property owners on East South Temple street were willing to have sidewalks constructed. But as to the First and Second South streets that was simply a suggestion of the committee. It was an ultimate nerve. He was not prepared to act favorably on the committee's recommendations.

Considerable discussion followed and that portion of the report referring to the first and second streets was adopted. The remainder was the cause of considerable discussion.

Westland objected strenuously to the mutilation of his report. He did Lawson who said some people preferred to walk in the mud. It was done in harmony with their natures thus recent sidewalks.

Horn also made a moonshine talk about the mud, dust, mosquitoes, non-progression and a miscellaneous lot of synonymous questions.

Moran was not in sympathy with Westland's scheme. The property owners should be consulted.

Folland cited the point that the municipal petition of the report was out of order. On his motion the matter went over until miscellaneous business was reached.

SEWERAGE MATTERS.

The committee on sewerage reported as follows: That the Folland resolution relative to boiler and sewer was being carried out; that sewer improvements and repairs were going on on Fifth West street; that the Hardy resolution with reference to the purchase of pipe was being complied with. Adopted.

THE MAYOR "REASSERTS."

The committee on waterworks sent in the following on the water pipe purchasing question, which has been a bone of contention between the committee and the Mayor:

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 13, 1892.

To the Honorable President and City Council, Salt Lake City:

Gentlemen—Your committee to whom was referred the communication of the superintendent Ryan relative to the purchase of six miles of pipe, beg to the extension of water mains would report as follows:

Your committee had this matter before them some time in the latter part of July and only have signed the same, see the necessity of the pipe being ordered, to facilitate business, save interest and telegrams to Chicago, pending correspondence and features in the United states, receiving bids from parties as follows:

[illegible]	per lin ft	[illegible]
[illegible]	" "	[illegible]
[illegible]	" "	[illegible]
[illegible]	" "	[illegible]
[illegible]	" "	[illegible]
[illegible]	" "	[illegible]
[illegible]	" "	[illegible]

The above prices were in 18 feet inch standard pipe, to be the best, each and every piece placed under hydraulic pressure, guaranteed, V. O. Brown, Salt Lake City. The above bids will allow of the Hughes brackets and will have to be the best and the most honest bidder, and $17.75 leaves them the highest bidder.

These are the prices of the pipe from the above parties were placed in your committee's hands and placed before the Council for their action on August 16.

Through some misunderstanding, either solicitation of the members of the Council or other parties, or on your committee's part, the matter was not acted upon by the Council at the meeting of September 1, when the old report was adopted, presented to the mayor for his approval and with difficulty to gentlemen who came from Indianapolis, which he positively declined to do, stating that the committee had proceed without authority, and declining to sign for those bids, as he was doing it would place the money in persons who were already in the city stating that in a certain event your committee had withdrawn from him the duty of reporting into the validity of the reasonableness of the above contracts.

We, your committee understand that all matters referred to the Mayor either he approves or vetoes, gives the Council reasons in writing, and invariably gives the validity and proper expenditure, and requiring any resolution or motion of this council, he has to act upon it such individual responsibility, as he deems as a sitting officer as is called for in this purpose, and not to stop the disbursement of the departments by petty and frivolous excuses, as the money which we honor citizens ask, is what the law demands of him, after his proper and judicious judgment is used, for the welfare of the city government.

Thus certainly seems to be a misunderstanding in this matter as your committee believe that all business pertaining to his building up and the welfare of the city, first organized and executive from this Council to facilitate the workings, consultations, forward, to prevent the severe delays, and to be a guide, counsellor, to see to its wants and requirements, for its successful operation, with power to bring the matters to us for a communication as possible, that it may then be referred to this council for its final action. This your committee did, in connection with the requirements of the water department for the 400 rods of 16 inch pipe so that there would be no delay in the workings of the water department, knowing full well that the citizens who had petitioned for the extension of mains had already paid the amount into the hands of the city and solicited for the purchase of said pipe.

To show you that we have not been misled or in the high prices placed on pipe purchased in 1891 and 1892, showing to your committee's that we have done far better than was done heretofore:

Mar. 16, 1891, Hayward & Hoyt		[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
June 30, 1891, Hayward & Hoyt		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
June 30, 1891, Hughes Bros.		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sept. 1891, Hayward & Hoyt		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

In 1892 purchases were made as follows:

January 1892, Hayward & Hoyt		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] per rod
January 1892, Hayward & Hoyt		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
June 1892, Hughes Bros.		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

In the same month July 16 inch pipe was bought at $[illegible] per foot laid in the ground, or $[illegible] per rod F. O. B. cars, Salt Lake City.

We would wish to call your attention to the report of the executive of this city, in which he says: "In the former purchase of pipe which was made by myself, in conjunction with the water works committee, the prices paid to Hughes Bros. was much lower than the bid upon which I am now required to purchase. For 400 rods of 16 inch pipe purchased on May 30th from Hughes Bros. their bid per lin ft was $[illegible] or $[illegible] per foot laid in the ground; this includes digging, trenching, laying, back filling and everything pertaining to that work."

As this price is much lower than any pipe has been heretofore purchased at, and the made of Mr. Ryan, your committee, who, to say before you the reason why that the prices were established for the same pipe. Nearly the full amount of pipe that was purchased by this city at that time, was pipe that had been sold to the People's Water Works company of Denver, Colorado, who, we understand, had gone into bankruptcy and the pipe was in the hands of the receiver. The 16 inch pipe being a very unusual size and could not easily be disposed of in Denver, it was imperatively necessary, a deal took place the hands of Hughes Bros., the trustee in the original being a great deal, the above firm did deliver the pipe in Salt Lake City at less than the original cost with freight added, also agreed that any pipe that we could not pass the inspection of the superintendent of water works when it arrived here, should be cut off thereon, or refitted and delivered. Here many pieces were cut or thrown out, your committee is unable to state, but we believed that Hughes Bros. allowed the full amount and the city was only to be extra expense of the work, labor, mules and teaming. The price of the pipe, if bought and delivered there instead of as above, would have been from $[illegible] to $[illegible] per rod.

Your committee would also respectfully submit that at all times manufacturers charge at least $[illegible] per ton more for goods to be shipped to the Rocky Mountains, as the difference in the transportation of the article would amount to that much.

So far as the present bid was $[illegible], we have considered it very, and that we need the best judgment of our engineer for the best interest of the tax payers of this city, as the above bids will clearly show.

Relative to the further matter of his honor that there would be a difference of $[illegible] to the public under the second market, and the circuit instructions of the Mayor that this would be sufficient to arrest further action until this was settled, we are fully say that it is a matter for consideration for your committee to answer; such a communication should never have emanated from the Executive office of this city, to cause the public great to believe that your committee was not honest and honorable in their transactions. We wish to do everything that is right in this and all transactions working for the welfare of our city and the municipality that we represent, and we wish to take away any rights or prerogatives of the executive department, but as the gentleman has so positively stated, that he should not interfere with our plans, we find that the matter in excess has left with others, as to the rights of the Council and the rights of its committees, and the time of the executive should be at once defined if possible, as there will be no end to the municipal government of our city.

We again respectfully ask that the 400 rods of 16 inch iron pipe be purchased as quick as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. MORAN,
J. L. LAWSON,
H. P. HOYER,
E. E. RICE.

Moran—I move that the report be adopted.

Rice moved to amend by referring the matter to a special committee with the Mayor appointed.

Horn moved as a substitute that it be received and filed. Carried.

THE PAVING QUESTION.

The special committee on paving reported that the bids for the Main, First and Second South streets paving were all right, save the contract recommended that the bids for the same be rejected and that the whole matter be laid back in the hand of public works until Friday night. Adopted.

THE VETO SESSION.

The Mayor's veto of the sewer ordinances was then taken up.

Lawson—I am sorry that we have seen a mayor in Mr. Baskin. He is like an iron in a steel beam. His reputation has been known for years. He is a hard taker and while he talks about new progression he takes delight in blocking the wheels of improvement, public and otherwise. I regret that we cannot remodel or recast laws and rather than thwart or prevent sewer construction it was better to pass, even though right to the mandates of a notorious autocrat.

Hardy—I take it that the mayor is clear on the proposition and we are dumfounded on this matter are in conformity with the Territorial statutes.

Moran—If the Council is wrong on this matter now it has been wrong for two years.

Horn (interrupting)—That is no reason why we should continue in error.

Harris—I move that the ordinances in relation to the question be amended to conform to the mayor's veto.

The chair now ruled that if the motion out of order, and put the question (on your request) on the question of whether or not the ordinances should be passed over the mayor's veto.

Lawson—I am unanimously opposed to further paper messages, if it is necessary to pass it over the mayor's veto, then so be it.

Horn compared with Lawson. He was opposed to resolutions.

Bell—I agree with Hardy and Lawson. Let us do right. We cannot break the "iron beam" or the cast of wind. (Laughter.) The motion to pass over the mayor's veto was defeated on the following vote:

Yeas—Beardsley, Bell, Evans, Folland, Hardy, Harris, Lawson, Moran.

Nays—Hess, Horn, Lawson, Moran, Rich and Westland—5.

On motion of Harris the ordinances were amended in accordance with the suggestion of the mayor.

Moran moved to adjourn.

Hardy spoke in his seat in defense of the garbage ordinance saying that a custom has been established by the council to at least bring that matter up once every session. He thought this act did be an exception.

The recorder then proceeded to read the sewer ordinance when Bell fearing that Moran was not listening, and he thought that when a member was so persistent he should be compelled to pay his attention.

The accused all of the commercial commissioners of the good extract from the Fourth president, and he almost yelled, "I am listening sir, and with all of the ears I have got. I can recite the whole last words, and that is more than any intentled colleague can." (Laughter.)

Considerable humbastic parliamentary talk was indulged in, and immediately motion to adjourn put and defeated.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The following appropriations were made:

[illegible]	$ [illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]