

CITY COUNCIL.

The City Council met in regular session October 27, Acting Mayor Pickard presiding. The following members responded to roll call: Spafford, Heath, Pendleton, Folland, Hyde, Hardy, Tuddenham, Young, Parsons and Lynn.

Absent—James, Karrick, Anderson and Smith.

PETITIONS

were read and referred as hereinafter specified.

The Great Salt Lake and Hot Springs railway company submitted maps and profiles of its grade on Third West street, between North and South Temple streets. Referred to the city engineer.

The Metropolitan Stone company submitted a map and profile of its switch recently laid on Eighth South street. Referred to the city engineer.

Hobson & Wilkerson asked an extension of thirty days' time in which to complete their contract on the Parley's canyon conduit. Granted.

Elias Morris represented that he had laid a sidewalk in front of William Turton's property, and that Mr. Clute had collected payment therefor. He therefore asked for an appropriation covering the amount due him. Granted.

Lucy J. Thurston asked for the correction of assessment on certain real estate. Granted.

William H. McIntyre and James A. Cunningham represented that certain personal property owned by them had been subjected to a double taxation and asked that the matter be properly adjusted. Committee on claims.

J. H. Clive asked that he be allowed to make a private contract for curbing certain property on State street. Committee on streets and board of public works with city attorney associated.

Wall & Clays asked for a rebate on liquor license. Committee on license.

The Salt Lake Dramatic Association asked that some action be taken to remunerate it for damages sustained by the recent high grade established in front of its property on State street. Referred to the city attorney.

Christian Johnson asked that he be allowed a rebate on certain dog tax paid by him. Granted.

Laura Cushing asked a remission of taxes on her property on account of being a widow in destitute circumstances. Laid on the table.

Peter Cunningham presented a communication in which he called attention to a former petition asking that an electric light be established on Thirteenth East street near Fourth South street. Committee on improvements.

J. G. Brooks asked that certain curbing done in front of his property by private contract be accepted. Board of public works.

F. Auerbach & Bros. asked permission to have the curbing done in front of their property by private contract. Board of public works and street committee with the city attorney associated.

P. A. Dix represented that his son had been seriously injured by falling over an unprotected embankment immediately east of the Knutsford hotel, and asked that he be remunerated therefor. Committee on claims.

Joseph Kelson, secretary of the Saddle and Whip Makers' Union, asked that Henry Roberts be appointed inspector of stone work on the joint city and county building.

The Pacific Paving Company of Utah and other companies asked that the matter of street paving in district No. 1 be referred to a special committee, and that the time of opening bids be postponed until the findings of said committee could be reported to the council. Referred to a special committee, and time for opening bids deferred until November 5.

C. E. Wantland and others asked for an extension of watermains on Sixth South street. Committee on waterworks.

C. M. Schmidt asked that the liquor license of George A. Spence & Co. be transferred to himself. Committee on license.

Henry Dinwoodey and Fannie V. Y. Clayton and the Brigham Young Trust company asked that the special tax levy on their property on Richard's avenue for watermains be canceled. Committee on waterworks.

E. N. Childs asked that certain taxes paid by him be remitted. Committee on claims.

WATERMAIN EXTENSION NOTICES.

Recorder Jack reported the completion of publication of a number of notices of intention for watermain extension. Adopted.

FROM THE COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

The committee on claims reported adversely on the claim of John Eddius for damages claimed by him by being thrown out of his buggy by reason of his horse taking fright at the steam street roller. Adopted.

QUARTERLY REPORT.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the waterworks department for the quarter ending September 30, recommended that the report be received and filed. Adopted.

A NEW POLICE SERGEANT.

Acting Mayor Pickard reported the nomination, by him, of A. N. Randolph, to the vacant position on the police force, of third sergeant. Confirmed.

FROM THE COMMITTEE ON WATERWORKS.

The committee on waterworks reported as follows:

Gentlemen—We, your committee on waterworks, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Carter and others, asking for an extension of watermains on Sixth South and Ninth East streets, recommend that the mains be extended on Sixth South street from midway between Eighth and Ninth East streets to Ninth East street; thence south on Ninth East street, from Sixth South street to midway between Seventh and Eighth South streets, with laterals on Sixth and Seventh South streets. Adopted.

FROM TREASURER WALDEN.

Treasurer Walden submitted the following which was referred to the committee on license with instruction to report at its earliest convenience:

"I respectfully call your attention that upon recommendation from my department and by the approval of the committee on finance, an ordinance was drawn revising the license schedule of the city. Said ordinance has been in the hands of your honorable body seven months, but has not been acted upon,

presumably on account of pressure of other business. The present system of license is not in keeping with the requirements of a city of our population, and in many instances absolute hardships are imposed by its effects upon the public, especially upon the poorer classes, who, in a small way, are transacting business. Again, there are numerous paying enterprises that are flourishing in our midst that can afford and should pay a license into the treasury. You will note that the ordinance, as drawn, has the effect of equalizing our present system, and would not materially affect the revenue of the license department. In view of the importance of this ordinance, I take the privilege of calling your special attention to the importance of its passage. In connection with the question of city license, I again renew my application that the merchants license be abolished and that said change be made a part of the new ordinance. The merchants of other cities competing with those of our own are not encumbered by the system of double taxation and I submit that Salt Lake merchants should be put at least upon the same basis as their competitors."

PUBLIC GROUNDS.

The committee on public grounds reported as follows:

That the petition of Fred Trimmer, asking to purchase a portion of Sixth street in plat B, be denied; that Elder and Munroe be denied the lease of the city gravel beds; that the petition of Christian Kenner, asking to be allowed to camp on certain city lands in Dry canyon, be refused; that the petition of William E. Ryan, asking to purchase lots No. 1 and 2, block 20, plat G, also be denied, and that the record title of the lots in question should be looked after in order to protect the city's interest as against tax titles, which may be secured against the city by improvements placed on said ground and occupancy of the same; that the land belonging to the city, situated on the west side of the Jordan river, near North Temple street and formerly used as a city dumping ground, be set aside as a public park, and that the necessary steps be taken to dedicate said premises as a public park.

Adopted.

DEEP CREEK RAILWAY FRANCHISE.

The committee on streets recommended that the petition of T. P. Murray for a right of way for railroad purposes through the city be granted. The right of way recommended by the committee is as follows: Commencing at the eastern city limits on Tenth and Roper streets, thence thence west to the city canal, thence northwest along the east bank of said canal to Eighth South street, thence west along said Eighth street to the Jordan river. From this point westward to the city limits the committee has not yet decided upon the most feasible route, but are of the opinion that the right of way should be granted from this point westward over Indiana avenue.

The report concludes as follows: That in the granting of this right of way the ordinance should contain all necessary restrictions and safeguards necessary to protect the interests of the city and the public and that a reasonable time only be granted Mr. Murray within which to commence operations and complete and operate this railway between Salt Lake City and Deep Creek.

Adopted.

CROSSWALKS.

The following resolution relating to crosswalks was passed:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Council that in the laying of crosswalks on State street at the intersection of Second and Third South streets, the same