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**NOTICE STOCKHOLDERS MEETING**

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the La Grande Irrigation Co. will be held Monday April 2d 1906 at 2 o'clock p. m. at the parlors of the Commercial Club for the purpose of electing Directors and other business that may legally come before said meeting.  
WM SARGENT, Sec't

**Centennial Hotel**

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**MESSAGE OF THE MAYOR**

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city charter passed at the legislative session of the year 1905, that appear to be in conflict with the original charter of the year 1885, should be so amended as to eliminate all differences that may appear to exist. The charter as amended together with all the ordinances that have been passed, should be revised, and codified, ordinances that have been passed for a special purpose, authorizing a certain work to be done or a certain act to be performed and said ordinances having become obsolete, by reason of such work being done or such act performed, should be omitted from the codification, and all ordinances that are in conflict with each other should be corrected. All ordinances that have been repealed in whole or in part should also be omitted, and the charter and ordinances when completely revised and codified should be published in book form, of sufficient number to meet the demands of the city and its inhabitants.

**RULES AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS**

I would recommend that the standing rules that have been adopted by the Council, and the resolutions that have been passed, be compiled with as near as it is practical to do so, during the sessions of the Council, the work of the committees and the management of the city's affairs. In addition to the rules that have already been adopted, I would recommend the adoption of a rule similar to the following: That all reports, resolutions, remonstrances, recommendations, petitions or propositions when submitted to the Council by the public, members of the Council, committees or officers, must be in writing; and that, if in the judgment of the Council, any of the standing rules or orders of business, or methods of conducting business should be amended or appealed, that action be taken to do so before the final publication of the charter ordinances and standing rules and resolutions, as heretofore recommended.

**FILING SYSTEM AND RECORDS AND BOOKS OF ACCOUNT**

I would recommend to the Council that a complete filing system be inaugurated, extensive enough to provide for all public documents, maps, plats, charts, profiles of streets, and all other matters and papers that may become a part of the city's business; that the books and records of account be audited, and that all and every improvement that can be made in the system of accounting be adopted, and that proper books, tabulated and printed in proper form, be purchased for each officer of the city, who keeps any part of the city's record; that every officer or member of a committee, authorized to collect money, to buy supplies or employ labor, be furnished with stub or duplicate books, properly numbered, so as to keep a record of all moneys collected, supplies bought or labor employed.

**SEWER AND WATER**

The paramount question to come before this Council will be furnishing the inhabitants of the city of La Grande with an ample supply of pure water, and constructing sewerage to meet demands of an increasing population. Cities and sewers and water systems are not built to supply the needs and comforts entirely of the people now living, but these should be built and constructed for future generations as well. People yet unborn will enjoy many of the benefits to be derived from the sewer and water systems that we construct, and it is deemed a wise and consistent policy to draw on the future for at least a part of the money necessary to provide for these necessities and conveniences. Now is the time to acquire water rights and construct sys-

tems that will be adequate not only for present but for future needs. The city is already bonded for \$50,000.00 for water supply. It may become necessary to increase this bonded indebtedness to acquire ample water rights and conduct the water to the city mains. I would recommend that the proper committee of the Council be authorized, to investigate any sources of water supply that may be available, and provide ways and means of securing the water and conducting it to the city, and that the regular committee of the Council on sewer and water, or a special committee of the Council investigate the sewer question and report to the Council such recommendations as to sewerage ample for the present and future needs of this municipal corporation.

**STREETS AND ALLEYS**

The time has come when it is conceded by the people of La Grande, that we acquire better streets than we have heretofore enjoyed, and that the good work of the outgoing administration should be continued; that the grades on all principal streets that have not already been adopted by the Council, should be surveyed and established; that the principal business streets should be improved and covered with such material as the Council and property owners consider best adapted for making these streets permanent; that the principal streets in the residential portion should be built to grade and covered with such material as will put them in good condition for traffic, consistent with a reasonable cost.

I would recommend that such streets as it may not be deemed advisable to build to proper grade, be rounded up in the middle with the natural dirt and that gutters and drains be made along each side, and crossings made at the intersections for the drains and gutters to carry the water and cause it to flow to its natural outlet to the lower side of the city.

I would recommend that the alleys be cleared of all rubbish, waste and refuse matter as a matter of cleanliness, and to protect the public health.

**SIDEWALKS**

The policy of our immediate predecessors in the construction of cement sidewalks, both in the business and residence district of the city of La Grande, should be continued to an extent agreeable to a majority of the abutting property owners. That all lumber sidewalks now in place should be kept in good repair; first the owner should be requested by the proper officer to make needed repairs, and if the owner so requested, fails to do so in a reasonable time, that the city should make such needed repairs, and tax the cost to the abutting property. That in the construction of new sidewalks the sills and cross-ties should be constructed and laid in place and securely nailed together so as to prevent the structure becoming rickety. Sidewalks and crosswalks should be extended to all parts of the city where the traffic is sufficient to justify the outlay.

**HEALTH AND MORBLS.**

That a strict supervision be exercised under the state law and under the ordinances of this municipal corporation and that a competent city physician be appointed to see that the laws and requirements are enforced and to keep the council posted as to the deaths, diseases and number of patients, and all other matters relating to the health of the community that comes within the provisions of the laws and ordinances, and rules of the medical profession. The council and city officers are not the creators of the communities' morals. The officers of the law can only act in this regard in the negative sense, that is, they can punish for breach of law, but can offer no reward for its observance. The growth of morality comes from an entirely different source than the enforcement of the law. Its growth is in the home, the school, in fraternal and benevolent societies and religious organizations. If these agencies fail to make a people moral, it is useless to ask the administrators of the law to protect the moral nature of humanity.

**FIRE AND POLICE.**

The fire department and apparatus of the City of La Grande should always have the careful consideration and attention of the Council. Every encouragement should be given to keep up the efficiency of a voluntary fire department, with the end in view that it may finally develop into at least a partially paid department. The welfare, prosperity and happiness of the community will always depend largely on the efficiency of the fire fighters and adequate equipment and water supply to protect property from disastrous conflagrations.

The police department is no less important than is the fire department and a strict accounting and responsibility of all police officers should at all times be insisted upon. Care should be taken to promote harmony between the Council and the police officers, and while the law should be enforced impartially, yet the enforcement of law should always be tempered by mercy and forbearance, and prosecution for violation of law should never take the nature of persecution.

**FINANCE AND INDEBTEDNESS.**

The finances and indebtedness of this city will always be the most important question for the consideration of the Council. In fact, upon these propositions the entire welfare and growth of the city depends. The aggregate indebtedness of La Grande at the present time is

approximately \$100,000; \$50,000 of this amount is for bonds upon the water works; \$25,000 bonds upon the city building and about \$25,000 floating indebtedness, evidenced by outstanding warrants. The bonded indebtedness on the water works and the county building cannot be considered as a burden upon the taxpayers, because the indebtedness is off-set by these two valuable properties, and the water works is not only self sustaining, but can be made, to a certain extent, a revenue producer for the city, and the indebtedness against La Grande for outstanding warrants is more than off-set by other property and resources owned by the city. It will become your duty to refund the outstanding bonded indebtedness against the water works and thereby make a saving of 1% annual interest. There is perhaps \$35,000 of warrants against the water fund, outstanding, but for this amount the city has expended fully twice this sum for new water mains.

**WARRANTS AGAINST THE GENERAL FUND.**

The history of the warrants against the general fund shows a loss and discount of from 6% to 30% which the city has been compelled at all times to pay, for the reason that a higher price has been paid for services and material than would have been necessary if these warrants had been practically on a cash basis. It has been the custom for people having claims against the city to add the percentage of discount in the market price of material and to the general wage and salary scale.

The Council has the authority under the charter to issue \$20,000 worth of bonds for general purposes. Now if the Council should exercise this authority and issue \$20,000 worth of bonds at a low rate of interest, this would have a tendency to put the general fund warrants on a cash basis, with the result that the city could make a saving of all the discounts that have been allowed to be added to bills in the past. Further than this, the Council is not denied the right of issuing time warrants in large sums, payable at a future date, upon which no discount need be allowed, and only interest added to the principal, such as is not the case on the present outstanding warrants. I have no positive data to show the amount of interest and discount that La Grande has paid, but I venture the statement that there has been enough paid to cover the present floating indebtedness. I would therefore recommend that the Council exercise its authority to issue \$20,000 worth of bonds against the general fund or to issue time warrants, if necessary, to clear up the city's floating indebtedness. By doing this there will be no discount allowed on claims against the city. All purchases can be made at the lowest cash prices, and the city of La Grande will be paying less interest than it is at the present time. The indebtedness of La Grande where the money expended has been invested in revenue producing property is not a burden on the taxpayers, nor a hindrance to the city's growth.

**SOURCES OF REVENUE**

The sources of revenue may be derived from direct taxation, poll taxes, taxes on abutting property for streets, sewers and sidewalks, and indirect taxes in the form of saloon licenses, occupation licenses, and shows and performances, and fines

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Having purchased the BOSS MEAT MARKET from J. Bull & Company, we wish to inform the citizens of La Grande that we will endeavor to merit the patronage which the Market has enjoyed, and will appreciate any and all trade which we should receive. Our endeavor which at all times to please our patrons by rendering the best possible service. A trial order is earnestly solicited.

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Persons desiring first class, pure bred Minorca chickens or settings of the same may secure them from the undersigned. Eggs \$1.00 per setting. Will be pleased to show my chickens to those interested.  
R. W. DEAL,  
Corner 4 and A streets.

**NOTICE TO STOCKMEN**

All stockmen having stock in Union county are hereby notified to have their brands and ear marks and dulaps recorded with the county clerk of Union, on or before May 1, 1906. As upon that date the Union county brand book will be published, and is necessary that all brands, ear marks and dulaps are properly recorded in order that they may be published in said book.  
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**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION**

Notice is hereby given that the partnership firm of Drs. Biggers and Biggers is this day dissolved by mutual consent Dr. G. W. Biggers retiring from the firm. The business of the office will hereafter be conducted by Dr. G. L. Biggers. All persons indebted to the late firm are requested to call at the office and settle the same at once.  
G. W. BIGGERS,  
G. L. BIGGERS.

Dated Dec. 4 '06.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND ELECTION NOTICE.**

Notice is hereby given that at a school meeting of school District No. one of Union County, Oregon, to be held at the high School Building in said district on the 31st day of March 1906 there will be submitted to the legal voters of said district the question of contracting a bonded debt of Eight Thousand Dollars for the purpose of completing the school building now being constructed in that part of the district North of the O. R. & N. R. R. track, the vote to be by ballot upon which shall be the words, "Bonds—Yes", and the words, "Bonds—No."

Polls to be opened at 1 o'clock P. M. and remain open until 4 o'clock P. M. By Order of the Board of Directors of School District No. One of Union County, Oregon.

Dated this 10th day of March A. D. 1906  
A. C. WILLIAMS  
Clerk of School District No. One of Union County Oregon.

H. J. Youns,  
Chairman of District School Board of School District No. One of Union County, Oregon.

**BIDS WANTED**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will receive at his office in the court house at La Grande, Union county, Oregon, sealed bids for one hundred cords of green cut yellow pine or red fir wood. Said wood to be cut in four foot lengths and corded in the court house basement. Said wood to be cut before June 15, 1906, and delivered on or before September 15, 1906. Said bids to be filed with me on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon April 4, 1906. Notice is also hereby given that the County Court of the county of Union, state of Oregon, reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
J. B. GILHAM, County Clerk of Union County, state of Oregon.  
Dated this 13th day of March, 1906.