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MUCH BUSINESS DONE BY CITY COUNCIL.

To Start Movement for More Cement Walks, Paved Streets and to Rearrange Number of Members of Fire Department, Disposed of—Meeting Teemed With Hard Work.

The city council held a lively session in which J. W. Black was elected poundmaster, steps taken to increase the number of members in Rescue Hose company No. 1, to collect poll taxes, to sell post house property, to reduce license of merry-go-rounds were some of the important features. Councilmen Curtis, Krelger, Williamson, Bolton, Bay, Andrews and Meyers, Mayor Hall and Recorder Cox answered roll call. To appoint a committee to start street paving propaganda was another important step. The following pieces of business were disposed of:

Street committee recommended that Maple street be opened on motion of petition.

Street committee recommended the construction of cross walks across Fir street, two across Greenwood, two across Pine. Laid on table until next meeting.

Bill against city by Contractor Mars settled by Councilman Bay for \$40. Street committee reported that sidewalk on O street be built. Carried.

Street committee recommended bill of Arthur Curtis for street surveying be paid.

Bids of Evening Observer and the Morning Star for city printing laid over until next meeting, to be disposed of by ordinance.

Offer of Peter Nelson to sprinkle streets at \$80 per month laid on table until next meeting.

Motion carried to sell property known as pesthouse, to Joseph Clark. Mayor empowered to give deed.

Ordinance setting fees of merry-go-rounds at \$15 per week, passed.

Ordinance amending section 3 of ordinance 272, defeated.

Ordinance making property liable for water rent, given third reading and final passage.

Ordinance for storage of gunpowder. Amended report accepted and laid on table for next regular meeting.

Petition for arc light at hospital, signed by E. E. Bragg, et al., referred to street committee.

Petition for sidewalk by G. J. Price, et al., on North Fir, read and referred to street committee.

Petition of J. M. Black, et al., for railroad crossing at Cherry street, referred to street committee.

Petition for water main on Oak street, by B. W. Grandy, et al., read and referred to street committee.

Petition for street light at M and Second streets, referred to proper committee.

Petition for street grade, by C. T. Colt, et al., referred to proper committee.

Ordinance amending and making more stringent the quarantine law passed by virtue of emergency existing.

Ordinance dealing with cement sidewalks read second time and referred to committee.

Ordinance prohibiting Sunday amusements referred to ways and means committee.

Ordinance empowering mayor and recorder to purchase hydrants and pipe, placed on final passage and carried.

Moved and seconded that mayor be instructed to enter into contract with man to collect poll tax. Carried.

Petition for more members of Rescue Hose company No. 1, and for reduction in Nos. 3 and 4, to make the addition in No. 1 40 instead of 25, referred.

Moved and seconded to elect poundmaster. J. W. Black elected.

The cement walks referred to are to be built in the western section of the

city as soon as those now in existence needed rebuilding. The petition for sidewalks on the North Side will improve the wrecked condition of some of the walks now an eyesore to the city in that section.

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