

WOULD TEST WOOD BLOCKS

C. A. Smith Company Wants to Put Them Down On Front Street—City Council.

Mayor E. E. Straw and the city council last evening rejected a proposition from J. E. Oren, general manager of the C. A. Smith Lumber and Manufacturing Company, to pave the company's portion of Front street, between 'B' and 'C' streets with plank this fall and to put down creosote blocks there next season instead of having the bituminous rock paving that the council has ordered. In rejecting the proposition, Mayor Straw told Robert Booth who represented Mr. Oren that it wasn't the time to take the matter up owing to the order having recently been made for paving with bituminous rock and while he said that the offer might be considered at the proper time, he also said that if suitable bids were received on the bituminous rock paving that he proposed to go ahead with the bituminous rock paving along the Smith property.

Councilman Nasburg also opposed granting of Mr. Oren's proposition, declaring that the latter's company had not shown the proper attitude towards the city in the matter.

In presenting Mr. Oren's proposition, Mr. Booth stated that the company believed that the street had not settled sufficiently to warrant putting down the concrete base and permanent paving this year. On this account, he said they wished to put in plank paving for this season and then next year to put down the best possible quality of creosote or wooden block paving.

Councilman Sacchi was in favor of granting the request, declaring that he would like to see the wood block paving tested here. He said that Front street would afford an excellent place for the test, especially as one half of the street would, under Mr. Oren's proposition, be paved with bituminous rock and the other with the blocks. However, Messrs. Straw and Nasburg had their way.

Teamster's License.

Upon suggestion from Councilman Sacchi, the council ordered the city attorney to draft an ordinance providing for a teamster's license. The revenue derived from the license, Mr. Sacchi explained, is to be used in creating a fund to keep the paving clean.

Discuss City Recorder.

Councilman Sacchi and Mayor E. E. Straw had a rather spirited tilt over the city recorder's office. Mr. Sacchi insisted that there is no provision for the city recorder hiring a deputy recorder at a salary of \$109 per month in addition to the \$50 per month which the recorder draws. He said the system the city is following in allowing the \$100 per month to the deputy is illegal and that some taxpayer or attorney may get after them and cause them trouble. Mayor Straw said that it had all been thrashed out before and it was nonsense to bring it up again.

Hold Up Farrin's Bill.

It was decided last night to hold up City Attorney Farrin's warrant for \$250 for a time owing to the discovery that the minutes of the council do not show that he had been regularly engaged to codify the city ordinance. According to the council records, the proposition to codify the ordinances was left on the table when it was first brought up. The city's record also shows that the contract included recording as well as codifying the ordinances. Mr. Farrin furnished carbon typewritten copies and it may be that these copies of the ordinances will be pasted in the ordinance book instead of being recorded in the usual manner. Mr. Farrin was out of the city last night so the final action on his contract was deferred.

New Ferry Slip.

Owing to difficulty in having the city's slip for the new ferry which will be put in operation between the city and Eastside within a week completed, it was decided to use the C. A. Smith Company's slip for the time being. The company has offered to lease the slip to the city for about \$20 per month. It is claimed that Julius Larsen wanted to charge the city too much for changing the ferry slip and that is the reason that the completion of it has been delayed.

Other Matters Up.

Masters and McLain were awarded \$200 on their First and Cedar street contract.

A warrant was issued for the Flanagan street improvement assessment. A number of the property

owners propose to take advantage of the Eddy bonding act and the city is trying to have one of the local banks buy the bonds at par.

The Laurel street grading, paving and elevated roadway were accepted. A warrant was issued for the collection of the assessments for the improvements of Prospect, 'B' and Seventh streets.

The proposed improvement of Alice street is being held up on account of the necessity of having the government pass on the plans.

Al. Owen and other Cedar street property owners are objecting to the plans for improving that thoroughfare, but the council decided that it could not change the plans.

Plumber's licenses were granted to J. B. Rust and A. E. Neff.

Councilman Savage was instructed to put in a new foundation in the pit of the boiler room of the city hall, the original work having been poorly done.

The council decided not to have its portion of the street leading up Knob Hill from F. P. Norton's new residence concreted this fall because of the new fill which is settling considerable. A number of the property owners are putting concrete on top of the crushed stones.

EAGLES WATCH ELKS IN SECRET PRACTISE

Jake Goldie and Clay Moore Get Line On Jack Flanagan's Colts.

There is consternation today in the ranks of the Eagles over the ball game to be played Sunday between the Birds and Elks. Up to yesterday afternoon it looked like a walk over for the king of birds, but Foxy Jack Flanagan has gathered together a fine team. He had them training steadily and playing in secret. Yesterday supping the cost to be clear, he tipped it off to be at the ball grounds at 2 p. m. They came from every direction and were just perfecting themselves in signal work when some one noticed Clay Moore looking over left field fence, and next to him Jim Lynch and Jake Goldie were peeping through a knot-hole. Goldie was taking notes on his cuff from Clay's dictation.

South-paw Rube Waddell Kennedy was snapping a few benders over while E. D. McArthur was catching. Jack Flanagan was cavorting around second like a two-year-old, and was eating everything up. Geo. Goodrum was all over the garden. The regular line-up was not given out, but Rube Waddell Kennedy will not be used unless the Birds have their Eagle-eye with them. Then he will be put in, and there will be nothing to it.

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