

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL TALK ABOUT DANCING

Hold Up Permit for Pavilion for Public Entertainment Passed Up for Week.

After considerable discussion last evening, the City Council deferred action on a request for a permit to erect a dancing platform on the F. B. Walte lot on Second street just north of the Coke building until next meeting. The request was made by H. J. McKeown and Lou Keyser. Mr. Walte had the piling driven for a foundation for a building, presumably a theater, but has decided not to build this season.

City Attorney Goss said that the permit could be revoked at any time and anyway he said that Inspector Tribbey had suggested that in case Mr. McKeown wanted to, he could take out a permit for a three story building and erect the first floor and then stop.

Councilmen Wilson, Doll, Copple and Albrecht doubted the advisability of public dances. Mr. Doll said it was awful the way the bowery was run during the Roundup Carnival and Mr. Wilson thought that the effect was bad.

D. L. Rood was present and suggested that all the latest dances, the Bunny-Hug, etc., would be danced there. Finally someone joshingly suggested that it be referred to the health committee of which Mr. Wilson is chairman, but this was not carried out. Mayor Allen said that he understood the Council was figuring on abolishing the bowery dances.

Mr. Goss said that he understood that all the other towns, Coquille, Bandon and North Bend had the dancing pavilions and Mr. McKeown thought that Marshfield ought to have one and keep some of the money spent at them in Marshfield. He said that the state law barred public dances on Sunday or later than 12 o'clock Saturday night.

Finally on motion of Councilman Albright, action was deferred for a week.

Mr. McKeown stated later that he simply made application for Mr. Keyser and had no other interest in the matter.

FILL DAMAGE QUESTION UP

Council Says Port and Property Owners are Responsible—Arbitration Plan.

The question as to whether the city or the port of Coos Bay commission is responsible for the damages caused by the water from the Mill Slough fill was brought before the city council last night but the council refused to shoulder it and stated that the port was responsible. No final action was taken.

The matter was brought up by W. T. Stoll on behalf of the ranchers living west of the Tenth street dike. Mr. Stoll sent a letter to the council stating that forty acres had been flooded with over four feet of water, the garden and dairies of some of them spoiled and that some of them would have to look for other means of a livelihood. He said that most of them were poor men and did not want any law suits. He suggested therefore that the matter be arbitrated, the ranchers to name one man the city the other and the two the third. He said arbiters could then hear the evidence and fix the damages. He said there was no question as to whether the city or the port was responsible but one of them was and to litigate to find out who would be costly. He said it would be cheapest, more expeditious and best for all concerned to arbitrate. He said that the damages probably could not be determined right away and all that the men wanted was the assurance that they would be treated fairly when the time comes.

City Attorney Goss objected to action being taken immediately. He said that the city contended that the port was responsible and that the extra fill made west of Sixth or Eighth street was really to blame and that the people getting the benefits of it should pay for the damages caused. Anyway, he said the damages could not be determined until the water went down and he could not see where anything was to be gained by acting now. He said the dredge would be done there in a few weeks and then the matter could be taken up. If it has to be litigated to see who is to blame, he said it could not come up until September.

Mr. Stoll argued in favor of the arbitration plan, saying that the men effected only wished the assurance of the council that they would be treated fairly. He said that he had conferred with C. R. Peck of the Port Commission and Mr. Peck had agreed to the arbitration plan if the port was responsible.

Councilman Copple argued that the people who were benefitted by the dredge filling their property were the people to pay the damages.

Finally the matter was referred to the City Attorney who will take it up with the port commission and others and see who is responsible.

LARGE AMOUNT STREET WORK

Council Decides to Go Ahead About \$75,000 Worth—Pay Contractors.

The city council decided to go ahead with the Alder dock improvement and if Eugene O'Connell wants to build his portion, he will have to bid on the whole contract. He is allowed credit for the piling on his side of the street, his assessment being fixed at \$4.78 per front foot while the Nasburg property is assessed \$5.52.

Plans for grading and planking Tenth street from Park to Eighth Terrace were adopted. There will be 26,000 yards of grading and over 2000 feet of 22-foot plank roadway, the whole cost being estimated at \$15,582.30.

On Eight Terrace, 10,000 yards of grading and 665 feet of 22-foot plank roadway were ordered to cost about \$5,198.80.

Plans for Fourteenth street provide for 7,800 yards of grading and 672 feet of plank roadway at cost of \$5,506.80.

Plans were adopted for a plank sidewalk to be built on the east side of the North Broadway bridge at a cost of \$125 to be borne by the abutting property.

The final plans and specifications for hard paving North Front street from Elm to Hemlock were adopted. The estimated cost is \$51,064.30 and the assessment was fixed at \$6.89 per front foot exclusive of intersections.

The Coos Bay Paving and Construction Company was ordered paid the balance of \$6,771.60 due them on the South Front street work. This included some extras.

C. R. Planagan was ordered paid \$197.57 for his contract on Elm between Second Court and Fourth street. He was also ordered paid \$969.57 for his contract on Second Court from Second to Elm.

Hagquist and Bjorquist were ordered paid \$368.64 for their contract on Second street from Cedar to Elm.

South Broadway Assessment.

Action on the South Broadway assessment was deferred. City Attorney Goss said that C. F. McKnight and A. J. Sherwood, the Southern Pacific, the city could not force the present plan of assessment owing to the proposed streets not having been formally dedicated. It was left with Mr. Goss to arrange.

Improve His Street.

Harry Nasburg was given permission to do some grading on Third street and Elm street near his residence. The grade has not been formally established and there is a plan for replatting and changing the streets there to conform with the natural contour of the hill. Mr. Nasburg wanted to be given credit for the work when the street was improved but he was told he would have to take his chances. He proposes to do the work with a pick, shovel and wheelbarrow during leisure hours and the councilmen said that he should be given the opportunity to exercise.

Bids on Lumber.

On motion of Councilman Ferguson, the street committee was authorized to ask for bids on 100,000 feet of planking to be used in street repairs, etc. Mr. Ferguson said he thought that the city could save money on the deal. Some thought it was too much but he said it was not and Carl Albrecht thought that it would last only until July.

Damage to Wharves.

The question about repairing the docks and wharves was brought up. Some claimed that the Dredge Seattle was responsible. It was stated that the Seattle was paying part of the cost of repairs and the property owners part. In deepening the channel, the short piling swung out into the channel and in some instances, the Seattle pulled them out by tying to them. The street committee was instructed to take up with the Seattle the question of damage to the dock in the rear of the city hall.

Cancel Boat Bill.

Agent Tom James of the Aroline wanted to know about the city charging the Aroline wharfage because it used part of the city hall dock. It was pointed out that the city had given the Breakwater free usage of that dock formerly on condition that the Breakwater pay for all damages.

Mr. James agreed that he would pay for all repairs due to damage

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Adopt Rigid Ordinance Prohibiting Persons Under 18 Using Tobacco.

The Marshfield City Council last evening enacted an ordinance prohibiting the sale or gift of tobacco to minors under 18 years old, the use of it by them and also making it an offense for a person under 18 to claim to be older in order to get tobacco from a dealer.

The ordinance is modeled closely after the state law and is stringent in its provisions. It provides for a fine of from \$5 to \$100 or imprisonment from two to fifty days or both, for offenders.

To Move Buildings.

F. K. Gettins made application to the council for a permit for the A. the Council for a permit for the C. A. Smith company to move its warehouses and buildings in the retail yards so as to permit them to open up the new streets which is proposed to dedicate. As this whole area is in one lot, the mill reserve, the ordinance does not prohibit it. Mr. Gettins said that the plan was to move the last portion of the big warehouse eastward to the harbor line. The old office building, etc., on what will be a continuation of Anderson avenue will be moved.

On Gow Why's Lot.

The east end of the Alliance warehouse is fifteen feet over on Gow Why's property. Mr. Gettins said that it would probably be necessary to move this off and if so it would probably be moved westward to Broadway.

The Council, in view of the moves being made to open streets, favored it and will pass an ordinance if it is found necessary.

RANCH IS TRANSFERRED.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinkston Laird, who have been spending the winter in California, were in town the fore part of the week and are making arrangements to move into the old Pike residence on the hill, which Mr. Laird purchased last fall.—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

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SAFETY RULES WILL BE RIGID

City Attorney Goss, reported to the city council last night that owing to the great difference in the arrangements of the local theatres and moving picture houses, it had been hard to draft a good theatre safety ordinance without working a hardship on some of them.

After some discussion, he was instructed to draft the ordinance and allow the playhouses six months in which to conform with it with the exception that they all be required to fasten the seats to the floor at once. The new ordinance will specify the width and arrangements of aisles, exits, the number of seats between aisles and distance between rows of seats, etc.

Some suggested that the ordinance be made to apply to churches but Mr. Goss said that they were seldom crowded and others said that there were ample exits.

The new ordinance will forbid placing chairs in aisles or allowing people to stand in the aisles.

from his ship or freight and he was given the right to use the city dock free.

Garage for Bennett.

Jas. Bennett was given permission to grade out the alley in the rear of his new house in South Marshfield so that he could get his new auto in to the garage in the basement of the house. He will be given credit for the work when the alley is improved.

Wants Street Beautified.

D. L. Rood asked the council to have Birch avenue between Second and Broadway cleaned up. He said it was an eye-sore now. He said that Phil Wilbur had fenced in part of the street and used it for a chicken yard for eleven years and he wanted this taken out and the debris cleared away. It was referred to the street committee.

PORT ORFORD HOTEL.

It is reported that Mr. Davidson, of Langlois, who was the successful bidder on the mail contract between Bandon and Port Orford, has rented the Masterson residence in town and will open it up for a hotel in the near future.—Port Orford Tribune.

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