

MONDAY, JANUARY 22nd, 1917.

Council met in adjourned session with President Barnard in the chair.

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names: Messrs. Binkley, Cox, Grubb, Lower, Merts, Miller, Penick. Present 7, Absent 0.

The following petition was presented to Council:

Alliance, O., January 20, 1917.
To the Honorable City Council of the City of Alliance, Ohio.

If your memory does not fail you at this time you will recall that Mr. Ballard whom you employed in the Electric Light Case, stated at that time that the Alliance Gas & Power Company would have at their command at the hearing before the Utility Commission, the ablest Attorneys in this state.

In view of these facts and of the fact that in the past Mr. Morris has had to have assistance in cases held at Canton which were very much less important to the citizens than in this case, we the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of the City of Alliance, Ohio, do hereby petition your Honorable Body to employ an attorney who will be acceptable to the majority of our citizens to assist Mr. Morris in this case.

It is a fact and undisputed that the burden of a high electric light rate is borne in the main by the working people.

In the event of your not acceding to the wishes of the undersigned and many others, names of whom we have not had time to gather in so short a time, will your Honorable Body allow the undersigned citizens, should they so elect, to employ able Counsel to assist Mr. Morris at their own expense. We trust you will give this petition consideration.

Signed by 155 citizens and taxpayers.

On motion the petition was accepted and ordered filed.

Penick moved, seconded by Lower, that City Auditor C. O. Silver, who is going to Columbus, be instructed to report to City Solicitor Morris that authority had been granted him to secure additional counsel if he desired; which motion was agreed to.

Mayor Westover submitted a lengthy communication to Council, advocating municipal coal yard in connection with the operation of the Water Works for which coal is purchased in large quantities; and in addition to operating the water works, coal could be sold to the inhabitants of the city.

The communication was accepted and ordered filed.

On motion of Lower, seconded by Penick, the City Solicitor was instructed to draft an ordinance in such a manner as he chooses, to provide for the city purchasing coal lands. The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Penick, seconded by Binkley, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Attorney General's Department to ascertain if there were some way by which the city could purchase coal lands.

The Committee on Finance submitted the following report:

To the Honorable Council
Of the City of Alliance, Ohio.

Gentlemen: - We, your Finance Committee, to whom was referred Ordinance No. 2271, "Mr. Merts; An ordinance to make appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Alliance, Ohio, for the half year ending December 30th, 1917"; beg leave to report, after careful consideration of the ordinance as referred to us, the following changes:

- 41 - Sanitary
 - A - Personal Service
 - 41-A-3 Salary Sanitary Police
Strike out \$390.00, Insert \$240.00
 - 41-C-44 Outside Connections
Strike out \$300.00
- 43 - Inspector of Plumbing
 - 43-A-3 Salary of Inspector
Strike out \$300.00, Insert \$285.00
 - 43-B-7 Motor Vehicle
Strike out \$200.00
 - Gasoline
Strike out \$50.00

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. Merts
J. W. Penick

The report of the Committee was agreed to.

Petition from citizens asking for additional counsel in light case.

Additional Counsel authorized.

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On motion of Grubb, seconded by Lower, Council proceeded with the consideration of the appropriation ordinance.

On motion of Grubb, seconded by Merts, the Appropriation number 35-A-3 was changed to read \$300.00.

Also Appropriation 43-A-3, \$300.00.
The motion was agreed to.

Ordinance No. 2277.

Mr. Merts: An ordinance to make appropriation for the current expenses and other expenditures of the city of Alliance, Ohio, for the half year ending June 30th, 1917; was read the second time.

Binkley moved, seconded by Lower, that the statutory rule requiring ordinances and resolutions to be read on three different days be suspended and Ordinance No. 2277 be read the third time. The question being on the suspension of the rule, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 7, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Cox, Grubb, Lower, Merts, Miller, Penick. So the rule was suspended and the ordinance read the third time.

The following statement relative to the appropriation ordinance, estimated receipts for the year 1917, was read:

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		<u>SAFETY FUND</u>		<u>SERVICE FUND</u>	
Over draft	384.68	Over draft	801.45	Over draft	630.51
Taxes	7,182.46	Taxes	16,348.44	Taxes	22,841.88
Liquor	9,000.00	Liquor	9,000.00	Street Permits	1,200.00
Licenses	450.00	Cigarettes	200.00	Sewer "	290.00
Mayor's Costs	750.00	Fines, Office Fees	1,300.00	Sewer Rentals	100.00
Interest	350.00	Wiring	550.00	Interest	500.00
	<u>17,347.78</u>	Interest	400.00	Rents	800.00
	8,673.89		<u>26,996.99</u>		<u>26,731.88</u>
			14,498.44		13,050.68
 <u>HEALTH FUND</u>		 <u>WATER FUND</u>		 <u>CEMETERY FUND</u>	
Balance	174.49	Balance	9,043.36	Balance	1,592.52
Rentals Taxes	897.81	Rentals	80,000.00	Sale of Lots	2,000.00
Milk Licenses	10.00	Sale of Water	70.00	Care of Lots	300.00
Plumbers "	35.00	Service Permits	2,000.00	Permits	1,200.00
" Fees	825.00	Interest	500.00	Interest	20.00
Interest	50.00	Misc.	3,000.00	Foundations	445.00
Rents	660.00		<u>94,613.36</u>		<u>5,557.52</u>
Death Certif.	17.00		47,306.68		2,778.76
	<u>2,669.30</u>				
	1,334.65	 <u>HOSPITAL FUND</u>			
		Balance	1,066.35		
		Taxes	2,213.20		
		Collections	15,000.00		
		Interest	45.00		
			<u>18,324.55</u>		
			9,162.27		

The following statement relative to the appropriation ordinance, comparing appropriations with the estimated receipts, and showing deficit resulting therefrom; was read to Council:

General	12,459.00	9,673.00	2,786.00
Safety	24,324.00	14,498.44	9,825.56
Health	1,125.00	1,334.65	209.65
Service	24,922.00	13,050.68	11,871.32
Water	63,823.00	47,306.68	16,516.32
Cemetery	3,075.00	2,778.76	296.24
Hospital	15,486.00	10,162.27	5,323.73
	<u>145,214.00</u>	<u>98,804.48</u>	<u>46,409.52</u>

The question being on the passage of Ordinance No. 2277, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 7, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Cox, Grubb, Lower, Merts, Miller, Penick. So the ordinance was passed.

On motion of Merts, seconded by Miller, Council adjourned.

Attest:

Chas. Silvers

City Auditor.

Chas. B. Brown

President of Council.