

MONDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1919.

Council met pursuant to adjournment with President Barnard in the chair. Roll being called the following members answered to their names: Messrs. Grubb, Lower, Mertz, H. Miller, J. Miller, Weaver. Present 6, absent 1. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was received and referred to the City Solicitor:

January 17, 1919

To the City Clerk,  
Alliance, Ohio.

Com. regarding  
injuries  
suffered by  
Mrs. Ridge.  
Referred to  
City Sol.

Dear Sir:

We are writing you regarding certain personal injuries suffered by Mrs. Violet Ridge on January 2, 1919, by reason of the joint negligence of the City of Alliance and The Stark Electric Railroad Co., the latter, a number of days prior to said date, having removed from its tracks one of the ties and placed the same near the curb at the southwest corner of the intersection of Arch Avenue and Columbia Streets, and over which Mrs. Ridge fell, causing her serious bodily injuries. The company of course knew all about it, and the obstruction was there long enough for the city to have knowledge, or at least to be charged with knowledge thereof.

Should the city of Alliance care to take this matter up with us for the purpose of bringing about an adjustment we shall be pleased to confer with the Solicitor or officials, or any of them in reference thereto. Will you be so kind as to present this letter to the Council at its next meeting and let us know what action is taken in reference thereto?

Very truly yours,

HBW-GK

(Signed) Webber & Turner.

The following communication was received and referred to the Streets and Alleys Committee and Service Director:

Pittsburgh, Pa.,  
January 7, 1919.

Com. regarding Mr. J. H. McConnell,  
overhead bridge, Director of Public Service  
referred to Alliance, O..  
Sts. & Alleys  
Com. & Service  
Dir.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my letter of August 19th, 1918, relative to condition of overhead bridge at Mainstreet, Alliance.

I beg to advise that our Safety Committee has taken the matter up in regard to concrete on the under side of this structure scaling off and the liability of someone's being injured by the concrete falling on them.

Will you kindly advise when you expect to take care of repairs to this structure which is maintained by the City of Alliance, agreement dated December 12, 1894.

Yours truly,

EBT Jr/b

(Signed) E. B. Taylor  
Division Engineer.

The following communication was received and read and referred to the Light Committee:

Alliance, Ohio.  
January 8th, 1919.

Com. for  
Light in  
Alley by Post  
Office ref.  
to Light Com.

Honorable City Council,  
Alliance, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Since the post office has been moved to the Federal Building a great amount of travel, by pedestrians and vehicles has been developed in the alley at rear and side of the building. This is a real thoroughfare and frequented by both employes of office and general public. The mail vehicles are running in and out late at night and if a light could be placed to cover this point, it would be appreciated by all. Will be glad to have you investigate.

Very truly,

(Signed) F. D. Miller,  
Postmaster.

On motion of Lower, seconded by Grubb, Penick was excused from non-attendance at this meeting on account of sickness in the family.

Com. recd. from Cullen Vaughn Co.

A Communication was received from the Cullen Vaughn Company Building Construction, in which they stated that they did not wish to conflict with either the local Ordinances or state laws in regard to building inspection, wiring inspection, etc., and respectfully requested that proper action be taken to permit their working forces to handle the several kinds of work covered by the City Ordinances in a manner which is obviously the quickest, shortest, and most practical. The matter was referred to the Service Director and the Plumbing Inspector.

The question of Municipal Light Plant was discussed pro con by Mayor Westover, President Barnard, and others.

Report of Gas Case.

City Solicitor Shetler reported that the Gas Case had been heard in the Court of Appeals and would now go to the Supreme Court, and he expected a final report by April, which would give the Alliance Gas & Power Co. time to install an artificial Gas Plant by the time the natural gas was turned off. He also stated that the Stark County Commission was to hear the question of annexation of a half mile strip of territory to the west of the City Wednesday and that they would come to the City within a short time to survey as to the needs in the case of street lights.

Plans for intake at Pumping Station.

Consulting Engineer, R. W. Pratt, appeared before Council and presented three plans for the proposed intake from the river to the pumping station.

Weaver moved, seconded by Lower that when council adjourned it would adjourn to meet next Monday night.

President Barnard ordered the Building Committee to make another report.

Suggestion to secure metallic boat.

Grubb spoke of the recent drowning in which <sup>three</sup> ~~four~~ small boys had lost their lives and suggested that the city secure a small metallic boat to be kept at the Central Fire Department for quick use in emergencies of the kind.

Street signs needed.

H. Miller spoke of the need of suitable street signs at a number of street intersections to designate the thorough.

The following Ordinance was introduced:

ORDINANCE 7-B

Ord. 7-B read 1st time & referred to F. Com.

Mr. Mertz: An ordinance fixing the salary of the Janitor of the City of Alliance. Was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee.

On motion of Grubb, seconded by Lower, Council adjourned.

*Chas. Gilson  
City Auditor*

*Chas. E. Barnard  
President of Council*