

Monday Evening May 17th, 1920.

Council met in regular session with President Barnard in the chair. The roll being called, the following members answered to their names, Messrs: Cary, Hall, Lower, H. T. Miller, J. H. Miller, Ryan, and Weaver. Present 7, absent 0.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

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A communication was received from Mr. E. W. Brown, Supt. of the New York Central Railroad Company concerning the protection of crossings, in the City. Mr. Brown stated that owing to the slight traffic over this division, drivers should have no trouble in avoiding accidents if they would use as much care as the train crews use. He further stated that not more than seven trains including both passenger and freight travel through the City, including Sunday. The communication stated that he was willing to meet a Committee of the City Council at any time to discuss the matter.

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The following petition and two communications relating to the same matter were presented to Council and referred to Council as whole.

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To the Council of the City of Alliance.

We the undersigned tax payers of the City of Alliance, for the following reason do hereby request that your honorable body re-consider the subject of leasing the Westville Dam.

Since this property is paid for by the taxpayers of the City of Alliance, and is stocked with fish, gratis, by the State of Ohio, we claim that it is, and should be Public Water.

We therefore question the legality of granting a concession to any party to exploit this Property for private gain, particularly in reference to fishing privileges.

Respectfully submitted by the  
following taxpayers:

327 names.

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The following petition was presented to Council and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

PETITION FOR PAVING

NOTE: This petition should be signed in ink by the owner or owners of the lots abutting on the street, that is, each person in whose name the title to the property is recorded, should sign, and the signer should set up not the house number but the lot number and the frontage of the same.

To the Council of the City of Alliance, State of Ohio:

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, being owners of the number of feet set opposite our names below and being two-thirds or more in interest of the owners of property abutting upon Parkway Blvd. between West Cambridge Street and Grant Street respectfully petition your Honorable Board for an improvement of said street between the points aforesaid by draining, grading, curbing and paving \_\_\_\_\_, and that the entire cost of said improvement except only such portions thereof as is by law chargeable against the municipality be assessed by the foot front upon the lots and lands bounding and abutting upon said Parkway Boulevard Street between points aforesaid.

And the undersigned and each of them consent and request that said assessments be levied and collected without reference to the value of the property of the subscribers hereto and waive all benefits of the statute limiting assessments to 33 1/3 per cent of the actual value of the property assessed, and hereby agree to pay the assessments as levied on their respective properties and waive all errors and technicalities that may arise in connection with said improvements and agree to pay the entire cost of said improvements except only such portions thereof as is by law chargeable against the municipality; said assessments to be payable in ten semi-annual installments proportioned to the whole assessment or in cash at the option of the owner of the property assessed, in the manner provided by law for the levy and collection of assessments.

OWNER OF TITLE	NO. OF FEET FRONT.	LOT NUMBER
R. L. Pointer	50 feet	Double half 53
Ira B. Hill	50 "	North half 53
The Consolidated Realty Co. per R. M. Scranton, Mgr.	50 "	27
B. O. Cowan	150 "	39
The Consolidated Realty Co. per R. M. Scranton, Mgr.	768 "	The Park

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To the Council of the City of Alliance, State of Ohio:

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, being owners of the number of feet set opposite our names below and being three-fourths or more in interest of the owners of property abutting upon South Webb Avenue from Summit Street to Auld Street respectfully petition your Honorable Board for an improvement of said street between the points aforesaid by draining, grading, curbing, and paving with brick block, and that the entire cost of said improvement except only such portions thereof as is by law chargeable against the municipality be assessed by the foot front upon the lots and lands bounding and abutting upon said South Webb Avenue between points aforesaid.

And the undersigned and each of them consent and request that said assessments be levied and collected without reference to the value of the property of the subscribers hereto and waive all benefits of the statute limiting assessments to 33 1/3 per cent of the actual value of the property assessed, and hereby agree to pay the assessments as levied on their respective properties and waive all errors and technicalities that may arise in connection with said improvements and agree to pay the entire cost of said improvements except only such portions thereof as is by law chargeable against the municipality; said assessments to be payable in ten semi-annual installments proportioned to the whole assessment or in cash at the option of the owner of the property assessed, in the manner provided by law for the levy and collection of assessments.

OWNER OF TITLE	NO. OF FEET FRONT	LOT NUMBER
John Korosy	75	2669
S. J. Davis	40	2669
Mrs. Emma Hughes	50	3391
Mrs. Kath. Saebke	150	2695
John Barany	200	3017
Sam Lasse	48	2687
Sam Nistor	110	4458-4459
David Mainwaring	150	3055
Mary Wiedmer	50	3388
Albert Luginbuhl	200	3336
Issie Wise	50	2686
Aldora Shem	41	4471
P. J. Morris	50	2691
Ira E. Lower	50	2699
Olive A. Barnes	50	2698
Chas. W. Hoiles	(50) 47 1/2	3386
William Jones	35	2669
Ellen Tierney	45	2657
Henry Pluchel	(45) 50	3387
C. C. Schawlem	(60) 100	2693
Mrs. I. L. Morris	(90) 100	3390-3389
Sarah F. Jones	105	2657
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To the Council of the City of Alliance, State of Ohio:

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, being owners of the number of feet set opposite our names below and being three-fourths or more in interest of the owners of property abutting upon West Cambridge Street between Rockhill Avenue and Parkway Boulevard respectfully petition your Honorable Board for an improvement of said street between the points aforesaid by draining, grading, curbing and paving \_\_\_\_\_, and that the entire cost of said improvement except only such portions thereof as is by law chargeable against the municipality be assessed by the foot front upon the lots and lands bounding and abutting upon said West Cambridge Street between points aforesaid.

And the undersigned and each of them consent and request that said assessments be levied and collected without reference to the value of the property of the subscribers hereto and waive all benefits of the statute limiting assessments to 33 1/3 per cent of the actual value of the property assessed, and hereby agree to pay the assessments as levied on their respective properties and waive all errors and technicalities that may arise in connection with said improvements and agree to pay the entire cost of said improvements except only such portions thereof as is by law chargeable against the municipality; said assessments to be payable in ten semi-annual installments proportioned to the whole assessment or in cash at the option of the

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owner of the property assessed, in the manner provided by law for the levy and collection of assessments.

OWNER OF TITLE	NO. OF FEET FRONT	LOT NUMBER
Norman Feters	75	23
W. E. Trump	75	24
P. R. England	75	16
Mary C. Tressel	75	
S. L. Fonda	75	
Elizabeth Severance	75	
Geo. W. Miller	79	20

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The following communication was read and ordered filed.

Youngstown, Ohio  
May 5th, 1920.

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

Gentlemen:

Monday evening, May 3rd, under instructions from Youngstown, City Council, I wired the following to the National Wage Committee, Washington, D. C.:

"The citizens of Youngstown, Ohio, through its City Council, request that your Honorable Body get busy and bring this Railroad Strike to an end immediately, or our City will soon be in destitute circumstances."

Respectfully,

Youngstown City Council,

M. F. Hyland, Clerk."

I am also instructed to forward a copy of the same to you with the request that similar action be taken by your Honorable Body, to hasten a settlement of the deplorable Railroad situation now existing throughout this Country.

I am Believing such action on your part will be of great assistance,

Very respectfully yours,

MFH\*HQ

M. F. Hyland  
Clerk of Council.

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The following communication was received from the Alliance Gas & Power Company and referred to the Gas Committee.

Alliance, Ohio  
May 10th, 1920

To The Hon. City Council,  
Alliance, Ohio.

Gentlemen:-

Replying to the request expressed at your last meeting for a report from us on the gas situation, we are pleased to submit the following:

We have not as yet completed arrangements for a continuation of the supply of natural gas to our customers in Alliance, but we have reached the point where we can advise you at what price we can furnish gas if our customers so desire and if we are able to satisfactorily complete pending negotiations for our supply.

We believe that now is the time to determine whether or not the people of Alliance wish us to attempt to complete these negotiations and whether or not the completion of the arrangement on these terms would be satisfactory to them. The summer is before us and consequently ample time is provided for the citizen to make other arrangements for heating, cooking or lighting before next winter, in case the proposition we herewith submit is unsatisfactory to any individual customer or to any group of customers. In order, however, that we may have an opportunity to complete all of our arrangements for a supply of gas adequate for the needs of our customers for the coming year, - we will of necessity have to have before July 1st, 1920, an official expression from the City of Alliance as to their satisfaction or dissatisfaction of the rate proposed.

We have previously furnished you with detailed figures of the cost of conducting our business. These figures will prove to you the reasonableness of the proposition herewith submitted.

You are familiar with the fact that during the year 1919 we furnished gas to our customers for less than our cost. Of course no one can do business on such a basis indefinitely. You do not want us to do business on such a basis, but you do want a proposition that is fair. We believe you will agree with us

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that the solution proposed is fair.

If the City Council of Alliance will before July 1st, 1920, pass a Rate Ordinance fixing the following retail price of Natural Gas for the period of one year beginning November 1st, 1920, this Company will immediately, on the passage and approval of this Ordinance, attempt to complete pending negotiations for the supply of gas,- and upon satisfactory completion will enter into a contract to supply gas at this rate.

The Rate proposed is an increase of 15¢ per thousand cubic feet over the rate at present in effect,- making the new rate a Customer's charge of 35¢ per month, plus a consumption charge of 70¢ per thousand cubic feet of gas.

The above prices are net, and carry a penalty of 5% in case bills are not paid within fifteen days after they become due. This rate is practically the same as the rate recommended a year ago by the joint gas committee representing your Council, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Central Labor Union.

You will admit that this increase is small as compared to the increased price of oil, coal, and other competing sources of heat. We are not, however, attempting to take advantage of the present situation of the advance in prices,- but are merely asking for a rate that will permit us to earn a reasonable return on the money invested in our property.

Trusting that this solution of a vexing problem that has confronted us all for a long time will meet with your approval, and that you will deem it good business judgment to pass such ordinance,-we are

Most Respectfully Yours,

The Alliance Gas & Power Company

H. G. Bonner  
Gen. Mgr.

HGB/RFW

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The City Solicitor stated that the injunction case brought by the City against the East Ohio Gas Company to prevent the shutting off of the gas supply to the City until July 1st had been continued until July 7th.

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Hall moved seconded by H. T. Miller that the letter of the Alliance Gas & Power Company regarding the rate be published in full in the Alliance Daily Review.

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Lower moved seconded by J. H. Miller that when the Council adjourn, it adjourn to meet next Monday Evening, which motion was agreed to.

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On motion of Ryan seconded by H. T. Miller, the Engineer was instructed to prepare Resolutions to improve Liberty Avenue from College to State Street, South Webb from Summit to Auld and W. Cambridge from Rockhill to Parkway Blvd, which motion was agreed to.

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The Finance Committee submitted the following bills and recommended their payment:

Review Publishing Co.	\$ 29.57
" " "	126.65
" " "	6.66
" " "	18.36
" " "	25.83

Weaver  
H. T. Miller  
Hall

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On motion of H. T. Miller seconded by Lower, the Engineer was instructed to prepare a Resolution, plans and estimates and cost of extension of Sanitary sewer 172, alley south of Patterson from Elm Avenue east 211 feet to a point; also storm sewer for Trail Run from Railroad to the north side of Noble Street to be constructed on a fifty-fifty basis, which motion was agreed to.

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The Committee on grades submitted Ordinance 67-C and 66-C and recommended their passage.

H. T. Miller  
Ryan  
Weaver

The report of the Committee was agreed to.

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Lower moved seconded by H. T. Miller that waivers of property damages be secured from property owners residing on S. Freedom Avenue between Simpson and State Sts., which motion was agreed to.

On motion of Ryan seconded by Lower, the City Solicitor was instructed to bring condemnation proceedings against Sam Bohecker on property on North Garfield Avenue which motion was agreed to.

## INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 69-C

Mr. Ryan:

An ordinance requiring all persons presenting plats for the acceptance by the Council of the City of Alliance, Ohio, to pay the transferring and recording fees for placing such a plat on record in the Recorder's Office at Canton, Ohio, was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolution No. 71-C

H. T. Miller:

Declaring it necessary to improve 23rd St. between Miller Avenue and the New York Central Railroad by grading, and constructing sidewalks was read the first time and referred to the grade and sidewalks Committee.

Ordinance No. 70-C

Mr. Ryan:

An ordinance requiring property owners to secure a permit for the construction of sidewalks was read the first time and referred to the sidewalk Committee.

Ordinance No. 72-C

Mr. Weaver:

An ordinance to make supplementary appropriations to the regular semi-annual appropriation for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Alliance was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys submitted Ordinance 65-C and recommended its passage.

M. Ryan  
J. H. Miller  
H. T. Miller

The report of the Committee was agreed to.

The pollution of the Mahoning River above the dam with Oil and Tar and the request was made that the matter be taken up with the State Board of Health. The City Solicitor quoted Section 12,646 which makes the pollution of a stream a felony and punishment of fine and imprisonment.

Ordinance No. 63-C

Mr. Weaver:

An ordinance fixing the salary of the Secretary of the Hospital Commission was read the second time.

Ordinance No. 64-C

Mr. Weaver:

An ordinance approving the action of the Board of Health in leasing office rooms from D. J. Miller for the Public Health Service Clinic was read the second time. H. T. Miller moved seconded by Weaver that the statutory rules requiring ordinances and resolutions to be read on three different days be suspended and Ordinance No. 64-C be read the third time. The question being on the suspension of the rules the yeas and nays were taken and resulted yeas 5, nays 1. Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Cary, Lower, H. T. Miller, J. H. Miller, and Weaver. Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. Ryan. So the motion not having received the necessary 3/4 vote was lost.

On motion of Lower seconded by Weaver, Council adjourned.