

Council Chamber, Alliance O April 29/1889

Council convened in regular session with President, W. C. Pennock in chair. Members present Betts, Bush, Carley, Deft Hall, Hertzell, Johnson, Brinker, Craine, Conbaugh. Absent, Miller. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

The following resolution was offered by Craine

A resolution declaring it necessary to improve Arch Street from Summit Street South to Milner Street.

Resolved that in the opinion of two thirds of the members elected to the ~~city~~ Council of the City of Alliance, Ohio it is necessary to improve Arch Street ~~South~~ from Summit Street South to Milner Street by grading the same paving the road bed with fire brick, block, or other material deemed proper for a distance of not more than twenty eight feet in width. Setting curb and gutter stones and constructing the necessary drains, culverts, and crosswalks. (Such improvement being recommended by the Street Committee of Council) in accordance with specifications on file with said Street Committee. The expense of said improvement to be assessed per front foot upon the property bounding and abutting thereon according to the laws and ordinances in the subject of assessments. The assessments therefor to be payable in five annual installments, if deferred and the same collected as provided by law and the assessing ordinance hereafter to be passed. Bonds may be issued in anticipation of the collection of the assessments unless the property owners pay their assessments before the same are issued and within the time prescribed in said assessing ordinance and the clerk is hereby directed to cause this resolution to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the corporation for the period of two consecutive weeks.

on motion of Johnson seconded by Betts the above resolution was referred to the Street Committee. Hall introduced the following resolution

Resolution
to vacate
Part of
Patterson Street
and Rockhill
Road

Resolved by the council of the City of Alliance Ohio that it is the sense of this Council that Patterson Street west of Park Street should be vacated to accommodate the Pennsylvania Co whenever said Company make a proper showing to this Council that it (said Company) has made satisfactory arrangements with the property owners abutting on the designated part of said Patterson Street for such vacation.

And be it further resolved that the Rockhill road on the west Corporation line be vacated to accommodate the Pennsylvania Co from the north side of said Company's right of way to Main Street and the Solicitor be instructed to prepare an ordinance therefor.

Moved by Hull and seconded by Hartzell that the same be adopted. Craine then introduced

Amendment
to above

The following amendment
Be it resolved that the latter part of the motion be so amended that it is the sense of this Council that we vacate the Rockhill road as stated in the original motion provided that the Rail Road Co will agree ~~to~~ in writing to widen the Union Avenue bridge as heretofore promised. Moved by Craine and seconded by Brinker that the amendment be adopted. Carried. The original motion as amended was then called and carried.

Hull moved that a special session be called for the purpose of conferring with Rail Road officers in regard to the above resolution. Seconded by Johnson and carried.

Hartzell then offered the following motion. This being the first full council since the advancement to a city and the annexation of Mt Union and with a view to arriving at an understanding of the financial condition of the city that we may better be enabled to do business on business principles. I now move that the Clerk be instructed to prepare a detailed statement for the information of members of this body showing all the bonded liabilities

of the city, what bonds outstanding, what issued for and when due. On motion of Hartzell seconded by Earley the same was adopted.

Motion by Hartzell. I next desire to move that appointment of a special committee of three to whom the clerk shall give a list of all property real and personal owned by the city which committee shall duly appraise all such property and report the list so appraised to this body at next regular meeting or as soon thereafter as may be. Seconded by Seferb and carried.

Hartzell, Crubaugh and Betts were then appointed as the above committee.

Report of Committees

The street committee then reported the following. Report of committee to whom was referred the matter of collecting the poll tax would report in favor of the appointment of one collector for the first five wards and one collector for the sixth ward, at such compensation as council may agree upon. Collectors to report at each council meeting and pay over all tax collected, also report the names of all men that will pay Poll Tax in labor. Poll Tax to be expended in the ward where collected.

Wm Brinker
Jno Seferb
Chas H. Bush
H B Crubaugh
Committee

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Betts that the report be adopted. Carried.

An motion of Bush seconded by ^{Betts} Brinker the street committee be instructed to attend to the matter of grading South Freedom Street. President Pennock at this time retired and Vice President Hull occupied the chair.

The fire committee presented the following communication from C. F. Goddard as to the condition and wants of the fire department.

Report of
Chief of
Fire dept

To the Fire Committee of the City of Alliance
At engine House we have 2 hose carts that will
carry 500 ft of hose each (10 sections)
No 1 Cart has a bent axle is wanting a spring for
holding the bell and one fastener for holding
nozzle on tongue. No 2 Cart is in good order
of hose there is about 1250 feet (25 sections)
Three sections at Freedom House in all 1400 ft
five nozzles. Three in fair order two broken but
can be used. We need spanners. Ropes for
holding nozzles when in actual use and straps
to fasten hose and reel to cart.

The Babcock Hook and Ladder Truck
with 2 double ladders 2 single ladders
8 Babcock Extinguishers 13 buckets. Poles &c
To be complete it should have one bucket four
lanterns ladders painted and one ladder repaired

The Engine room is in very bad
condition the walls ceiling and wood work
needs painting and cleaning. Firemen's hall
should be used for firemen exclusively
Shall we have it?

The Freedom fire house is supplied with
2 double ladders 4 single ladders 6 Poles 10 Buckets
3 sections of hose. no spanners no nozzles.
5 lights of glass broken all of windows

In order to supply the City of Alliance
with only a fair protection against fire
we should have added to our apparatus.
Two new hose carts. I would recommend
buying the hose cart owned by the Independent
Hose Co. and another suitable for running
on sidewalks. one thousand ^{feet} of hose
three nozzles four hydrant gates one dozen
spanners two axes six hose jackets
C. A. Goddard. act Chief

Report of
fire com.

To the City Council of Alliance
We the undersigned committee on the fire
Department after having carefully examined
the needs of the fire department of this
city and recognizing the importance

of a fully equipped fire department. respectfully and urgently request you to set apart one Thousand Dollars for the purpose of organizing an effective fire department and fully equipping the same.

John Siefert

Jacob Hartzell

W. Earley, Committee

Moved by Bates and Seconded by Bush
That the report be accepted and placed on file.
Carried. Report of Police Committee

The Police Committee of the Council of the City of Alliance Ohio report favorably to the following Propositions

1st That this Council employ for the coming year Two Policemen for full time and one Policeman ~~for~~ to be a resident of Mt Union ward for half time to be principally spent in Mt-Union Ward. but subject to serve in any other ward on the call of the Mayor or Chief of Police

2nd The Policemen shall be employed for the coming year reserving the right in the Council to discharge them at any time and for any reason the Council may see fit and from the time of said discharge the said policeman shall receive no pay

3^d The contract employing said Policemen shall be reduced to writing and signed by both parties.

4th That the city furnish the two Policemen on full time each with a blue double breasted Prince Albert-Coat and helmet hat said coats and hats to be at all times the property of the City

Jno. H. Braine

Wm. Brinker

Jacob Hartzell

Moved by Braine and seconded by Siefert That the report be laid on the table for one week. Carried

Ordinances. The following ordinance was then read.

An Ordinance to fix the time of regular meetings of the City Council

Ordinance
fixing time
of meetings

Sec I Be it ordained by the Council of the City Alliance Ohio that the time for the regular meetings of this Council be and the same hereby established to be the first and third Monday evenings of each month at 7³⁰ o'clock

Sec II That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec III That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage.

No action taken. Mr T. R. Morgan Jr then showed Council plans of sewerage and made some suggestions in regard to drainage and grading.

appointment
of Poll tax
collectors

On motion of Crubough. Seconded by Brinker John Hailer was appointed Poll Tax Collector for Sixth ward. Moved by Bush that the Poll Tax Collectors be allowed 25% of the amount collected. Sec by Brinker and carried on motion of Brinker sec by Sifert S. M. Saucrist was appointed as collector for the remaining five wards. No further business Council adjourned

Thomas Caradman
Clerk

McBennick
President