

Monday, January 24, 1916.

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

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names: Messrs. Binkley, Grubb, Merts, Miller, Penick, Stanley. Present 6, Absent 1.

The following communication was read to Council:

January 13th, 1916.

PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: - We, the undersigned property owners living in the immediate vicinity of Woodland Avenue and Auld Street, hereby petition your Honorable Body to locate a street light at the intersection of Woodland Avenue and Auld Street, as this is a very dark intersection and a light is needed very badly at this point.

Petition from property owners on Woodland & Auld Sts. for street light.

Alfred E. Ulbricht,  
John M. Yoho,  
Stephen Pelger,  
John Folk  
Jno. Schuster  
John Brenner  
Robt. Fink  
John Lucas  
Mike Grall

Referred to the Director of Public Service.

The following communication was received from the Chamber of Commerce:

Alliance, Ohio, January 10, 1916.

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

Chamber of Commerce, relating to removal of cloth signs.

Gentlemen: - The Chamber of Commerce is very anxious that you take some action whereby all cloth signs projecting over the sidewalks in front of business houses be removed. The appearance of these signs on our business houses have a tendency to form a bad impression upon visitors in our midst. Trusting that you will give this your favorable consideration, we remain,

Yours very truly,

THE ALLIANCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
Per C. H. Bleich, Secretary.

Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following petition was presented to Council:

PETITION BY MAJORITY OWNERS.

November 20, 1915.

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

Petition for improvement of West Summit St.

We, the undersigned, owners of the number of feet of property set opposite our names below, the same being a majority of the foot frontage on West Summit Street, between Haines Avenue and Rockhill Avenue, hereby respectfully petition your honorable board to pass the necessary legislation therefore and to improve said street between the points aforesaid by grading, sewerage, paving, curbing, and that so much of the entire cost and extra expense thereof as may be lawfully assessed upon the adjacent, contiguous or other specially benefitted lots and lands, be assessed by the foot front or under the benefit plan, upon the lots and lands bounding and abutting on said West Summit street between the points aforesaid, said assessments to be paid in Five (5) <sup>annual</sup> or 10 semi-annual installments or in cash, at the option of the owner of property assessed, in the manner provided by law for the levy and collection of assessments:

OWNER	LOT NO.	FT.			
L. Stroup	5046	110	Con.Realty Co.	5895	113
" "	5051	40	R.M.Scranton,Mgr.	5085	113
L. E. Grubb				5028	110
The West Park Realty Co.	5062	40		4772	67
Elmer Unger	5055	40		5049	40
Jacob Keller	5048	40	Geiger Bros	4745	
Geo. W. Fortin	5027	50	Wm.S.Lindesmith	5061	40
J. W. Miller	5050	40	J. F. Meyers	5052	40
J. M. English	5059	40	A.L.Eldridge		40
F. L. Hoare	5053	40	H. H.Beatty	4764	110
Consolidated Realty Co.	4765	110	W. E. Trump	3956	105
Per R.M.Scranton,Mgr.	5896	67	Mrs.Marie Moitert	4735	110

Referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys, and the Engineer instructed to prepare plans and specifications.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1916. - (Continued).

The following petition was presented to Council:

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

Gentlemen: - We, the undersigned, being the owners of the number of feet of property set opposite our names below and being three-fourths or more in interest of the owners of property abutting upon South Arch Avenue between Main Street and Milner Street, respectfully petition your Honorable Body for the improvement of said street between the points aforesaid by widening said street four feet on each side thereof, by grading, draining, curbing and paving with brick block the widened portion, to-wit: four feet on each side of said street, and by repaving with brick block said Arch Street between the points aforesaid. The widening and the repaving of the old portion of the street to be done at the same time and the entire street after widening thereof to have a five inch concrete base with vitrified brick block and cement filler; and that the cost of said improvement be assessed by the foot front upon the lots and lands bounding and abutting upon the said South Arch Avenue between the points aforesaid as follows: the property owner to pay fifty per cent of the cost of repaving and ninety-eight per cent of the cost of widening, draining, grading, curbing and paving with brick block the widened portion of said street, to-wit: four feet on each side thereof. It being understood and agreed that wherever possible the old curb will be used and credit given to the property owner accordingly.

Petition for improvement of S. Arch Avenue, by widening, repaving.

And we, the undersigned, and each of us hereby consent and request that said assessments be levied and collected without reference to the value of property of subscribers hereto and waive all benefits of the statute limiting assessments to 33 1/3 % of the actual value of the property assessed, and we hereby agree to pay the assessments as levied on our respective properties and waive all errors and technicalities that may arise in connection with the said improvement and agree to pay the cost of said improvement as set forth above; and we hereby waive all claims for damages by reason of the widening and improving of said Arch Street, as petitioned for herein and we hereby agree to raise no objections, legally or otherwise or claim any damages for the removal of trees, sidewalks or other structures now located within the four feet over which it is contemplated the street shall be widened.

Said assessments to be payable in ten semi-annual installments proportionate to the whole assessment or in cash at the option of the owner of property assessed in the manner provided by law for the levy and collection of assessments.

OWNER	FT.	LOT NO.	OWNER	FT.	LOT NO.
G. K. Pritchard	47	1418	Joe Pusateri	50	1695
Chas. F. Merts	50	1809	Ida R. Buck	40	2347
B. J. Rickard	40	1426	Ida R. Buck		
D. P. Conser	40	1435	Annie M. Buck		
W. G. Conser	40	1436	Gertrude Bowman	40	2348
Grant C. Atwell	47	1419	Homer W. Buck		
T. A. Ballou	40	1433	J. B. Heacock	40	1420
C. F. Pearsol	40	1449	F. J. Poto	47	1417
Mary L. Shaw	40	1434	Emerellis Vick	40	1428
L. P. Strong	40	1447	Margaret Nangle	40	762
G. W. Schooley & Son		911	Mrs. J. A. Boyd	33 1/3	1715
H. E. Schooley	100	910	Wm. Chambers Est.	120	636
		763	by W.H. Ramsey	40	727
		40	Nora S. Kallenbaugh	40	1423
Cora Katzenstein	40	1438	Harry Faubel	50	1703
Ella S. Clement	110	606	H. R. Everett	50	1743
Jane C. Welker			A. Sineri	50	1696
Mrs. Mary Vesseriatt	40	1429	L.A. Leonard agent		
Wm Stallcup	40	1437	for Dorothy Muerman	50	1708
S. D. Lane	40	1432	L. D. Crawford	50	1699
Adella K. Lane			L. D. Crawford	50	1698
J. P. Bailey	50	1707	Adah J. Crawford	50	1704
W. H. Ramsey			J. M. English	50	1741
Ida W. Lilley	50	1716	J. C. Wallace	50	1714
E. L. Ogden	50	1701	Mary O. Davis	50	1744
Dr. S. D. Knox	50	1710	Mary O. Davis	50	1717
P. C. Ramsey	50	1808	Mrs. W. P. Cook		
A. L. Atkinson	50	1709	Per Mattie J. Cook	40	1428
Odessa L. Smyth	120	764	Mrs. L. D. Miller	40	1445
J. J. Newcomer	50		Leon A. Fuhr	50	1748
F. P. DeLong	60	909	Catharine Fuhr	40	1424
Florence M. Rogers	40	910	Alice Tidd	50	1700
"	33 1/3	1712	Wicke Realty Co.	110	605
"			per John Eyer, Pres.		
Fannie B.C. Paxson	50	1711	Evelyn McElroy	110	635
Calista E. Westfall	16	2/3 1712	V. Estelle Morgan		
Nova E. Westfall	"	" 1715	Charles L. Morgan	40	1430
Ola M. Carson	40	1439	A.S. Cassaday Est.		
Ada M. Zang	40	1443	per F. Cassaday, Adm.	120	904
J. A. Zang	40	1431	Con. Realty Co.		
Arthur W. Morris	40	906	per R.M. Scranton, Mgr.	110	617
R. C. Bates	40	1440	G. F. Munk	46	2355
Caroline Williams	N. 55	725			
A. B. Love	40	1442			
Mrs. A. B. Love					
H. G. Gaston	S. 65	725			
Louisa Martin	40	1452			
Anna Burns	40	1446			
Isaac Shaffer	40	728			
Sarah Shaffer					
Mrs. Effie S. Shaffer	40	1448			
W.G. Vogelsong	40	1444			
M. Hattie Stallcup	40	2353			
M.S. Atkinson	50	1705			
	50	1706			

Referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys, and the Engineer instructed to prepare plans and specifications.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1916, (Continued)

The following message was received from the Mayor, which was read.

To the Honorable Council of Alliance, Ohio.

gentlemen: - It is the duty of a Mayor of a City to enforce the laws of the City. He may also recommend from time to time to the law making power of the City, certain improvements for the benefit of the City or the repeal of certain ordinances that have become obsolete and ineffective in the rapid growth of a city such as Alliance. A City such as ours requires many public improvements to keep pace with the onward progress of the City.

While I favor Civic improvements and the improvement of public utilities, I also favor an economic City Government. I am of the opinion that the business of a City should be conducted on the same business like manner as a successful business man conducts his business.

The heads of each department of the city should scrutinize each transaction with utmost care, where the payment of the city's money is to be made. It is the little leaks that go to make up some of the deficiencies in the departments of the City government. I have asked the several heads not to be miserly but to be economical.

I am of the opinion that the distribution and sale of the City Water on a meter basis would prove a source of revenue to the City or a saving in the water supply. I am in favor of putting the system on a meter basis as soon as possible and I recommend this to the consideration of the Council.

I favor further improvements in the way of repairing and maintaining our paved streets and more and better sidewalks. I think that the proper repair of present paved streets is more important than the new paving now going on. I would recommend that an appropriation be made of a sufficient amount to repair paved streets and sidewalks and place them in good condition and thus prevent them from becoming an eyesore to the public and make them fit for travel.

I would call the attention of Council to the need of more public lights for the city. A city properly lighted would not only add convenience and beauty to the city but would practically double our police protection. This is one of the most important needs of the city and should be legislated for at an early date.

I suggest that an ordinance be passed to remove electric light and telephone poles and all wires from Main Street and thus clear the net work of wires over hanging the streets that make it unsightly and a source of danger to the public.

As a matter of economy I would have the position of Humane Officer abolished and have the police of the City perform the duties that usually fall upon such an Officer. This would mean a saving to the City of \$240.00 per year.

The completion of the Arch Street Subway should be made as quickly as possible for the convenience of travel and for the fire protection to the north side.

I recommend that the signs bearing the names of the streets at street crossings be repaired to enlighten the strangers as to the name of the streets and would further recommend that each house owner be compelled to place numbers upon each house and the numbers large enough that they can be seen from the street.

The matter of public parks is in the hands of the Park Commissioners to make recommendations and I will leave this matter with them for the present, hoping they will act judiciously and quickly, that the citizens may have time to consider their recommendations before Council passes them.

A Word to the Service Director.

Owing to the fact that our water pressure is so irregular, making the washing machine motors unreliable, I believe it unfair to charge the users for what little service they get, therefore would recommend that our Service Director discontinue this charge as soon as possible.

Our Fire Chief reports that we are in need of an Aerial Truck for use in the business section of the City, and also states that had there been a ladder at the fire in the Weybrecht building the loss would have been practically nothing as compared with the loss that did occur, and that it might be the means in the future of saving life by rescuing from the upper stories of Main Street buildings. When life and property are at stake careful consideration should be given.

Owing to the rapid growth of the north side of the City and the fact that there is a school house at the extreme end he recommends the building of a fire station in that end of the city.

These recommendations I believe worthy of your consideration.

G. S. WESTOVER, Mayor.

On motion of Grubb, seconded by Merts, the communication of the Mayor was ordered filed.

Safety Director, J. H. Patton, stated that he had presented an ordinance providing salary increase for the employes of the City Hospital. He stated that unless some advance in salary was made at this time, the City would likely find itself without a proper working force in the institution, and urged immediate action by the Council.

Secretary Bleich of the Chamber of Commerce, presented a sketch of an electric sign slogan, and stated that the citizens would buy the sign and the Alliance Gas & Power Company would furnish the current free, provided that the City would allow the sign to be placed on the new City Building.

On motion the matter was referred to the Building Committee and Director of Public Service.

Message of  
recommendations from  
Mayor  
Westover.

Salary  
increase,  
employes  
Hospital.

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Electric  
sign on  
City Hall.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1916, (Continued).

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS WERE TAKEN UP AND CONSIDERED:

Ordinance No. 2068.

Mr. Barnard:- An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract for the construction of a storm sewer from a point on Mill Street, about 125 feet east of the east line of South Linden Avenue, to a point north-eastwardly of said starting point, a distance of 270 feet; was read the third time.

Ord.2068.  
Passed.

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that the money for the contract provided for in Ordinance No. 2068, amounting to Eleven Hundred Dollars, (\$1100.00), is in the Treasury to the credit of the storm sewer fund and not appropriated for any other purpose.

CHAS. O. SILVER,  
City Auditor.

The question being on the passage of the Ordinance, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 6, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Grubb, Merts, Miller, Penick, Stanley. So the Ordinance was passed.

Ordinance No. 2076.

Mr. Merts: - An ordinance to make appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Alliance for the first half year ending June 30, 1916: was read the second time.

The following statement of estimated receipts was read to Council:

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS  
FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1916.

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

Gentlemen: - I hereby certify that the following is a statement of the estimated receipts for the first half of 1916:

Estimated  
Receipts,  
1st half  
1916.

GENERAL FUND	\$ 7,297.46
SAFETY "	16,665.97
SERVICE "	11,559.76
WATER "	38,877.46
HOSPITAL "	7,432.89
CEMETERY "	1,495.13
HEALTH "	904.50
	<u>\$84,233.22</u>

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City Auditor.

Grubb moved, seconded by Merts, that the appropriation for Music, No. 19, Contractural Service, Band Concerts, be increased to \$250.00, which motion was agreed to.

Grubb moved, seconded by Binkley, that appropriation 33-C-12, Light, be increased to \$75.00, which motion was agreed to.

Grubb moved, seconded by Miller, that appropriation 33-B-2, Fuel, be increased to \$25.00, which motion was agreed to.

Ord.2076  
Passed.

Binkley moved, seconded by Grubb, that the statutory rule be suspended and Ordinance No. 2076 be read the third time. The question being on the suspension of the rule, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 6, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Grubb, Merts, Miller, Penick, Stanley. So the rule was suspended and the ordinance read the third time.

The question being on the passage of the Ordinance, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 6, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Grubb, Merts, Miller, Penick, Stanley. So the Ordinance was passed.

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS WERE INTRODUCED:

Resolution No. 2081.

Res.2081.  
1st time.

Mr. Grubb: - Declaring it necessary to improve South Arch Avenue between Mill Street and Milton Street, by grading, draining, curbing and paving with brick block; was read the first time.

Referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys.

Ordinance No. 2080.

Ord.2080  
1st time.

Mr. Merts: - An ordinance to fix the salary and determine the number of employes of the Alliance City Hospital; was read the first time.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Necessity of  
Sidewalk on  
Mahoning.

Mr. Binkley called attention to the necessity of a sidewalk on Mahoning Avenue between High Street and Broadway.  
Referred to the Committee on Sidewalks.

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On motion of Grubb, seconded by Binkley, Council referred back to the reports of standing committees.

Report of  
Finance  
Committee,  
Ord. 2080.

The Finance Committee submitted their report recommending the passage of Ordinance No. 2080.

Chas. F. Merts,  
J. W. Penick,  
L. E. Grubb.

The report of the Committee was agreed to.

Ordinance No. 2080 was taken up and considered.

Binkley moved, seconded by Grubb, that the statutory rule requiring resolutions and ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and Ordinance 2080 be read the second and third time. The question being on the suspension of the rule, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 6, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Grubb, Merts, Miller, Penick, Stanley. So the rule was suspended and the Ordinance read the second and third time.

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that the money required for by Ordinance 2080 is in the Treasury and appropriated for the purpose of personal service, and not for any other purpose.

Ord. 2080  
Passed.

CHAS. O. SILVER,  
City Auditor.

The question being on the passage of Ordinance 2080, the yeas and nays were taken and resulted, Yeas 6, Nays 0. Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Binkley, Grubb, Merts, Miller, Penick, Stanley. So the Ordinance was passed.

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

Attest:

*Chas. Silver*  
Clerk of Council.

*Chas. C. Bennett*  
President of Council.