

Regular Board Meeting: February 28, 1974

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:15 PM by Chairman Lucian E. Flora in his office on Highland Avenue. Present were Board members Dr. James S. Hill, Mr. Maurice Marr, Dr. Robert Baum and Mr. James Bell. Also present was City Marshall William Denham.

(1) Since the Clerk had not prepared the previous meeting's minutes in time for this meeting, the reading of the minutes was set aside.

(2) Mr. Marr informed the Board that Mr. Maxie Harlin had received a reply from Ricky Moats concerning the \$180.00 he owes the Cemetery for the damage he did to the rock wall. Moats said that he will pay the amount by ~~15th~~ 15th.

(3) Dr. Hill said that he had really no information on new developments in the Fire Department, but he mentioned the need for the City-wide Board-sponsored trash pick-up to be arranged in the near future. It was generally agreed by the Board that the pick-up should take place about the first of April and that the Clerk should contact the Lindsey Sanitation Service of Lindseyville, Kentucky concerning the pick-up.

(4) Mr. Bell for the Street Department reminded the Board that the State Highway Department wants the City's proposed projects for this year as soon as possible. He also noted that he had gone over the City with the Clerk and believed that the following streets were in worse shape: Fourth Street from Main to College Streets, one block; Third Street from Main Street to Cave Street, one block; one block at the end of Highland Avenue--from Rumsey St. in the direction of Frank Russell's; and the street parrallel to Rumsey on which J.C. Crisp lives (name unknown) two blocks. Mr. Bell made the motion that the City identify the block on Fourth Street and a sufficient length of Third Street to cover the State money and to serve as the Municipal Aid project for this next fiscal year. Dr. Baum seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Hill noted that work is really needed on the section of College Street from Laurel to the Railroad and that a sidewalk is needed there also as many children walk there. Mr. Marr said that the end of Beeler Street needed patching; Mr. Flora said that some patching was also needed on Webb Circle; Mr. Marr also added that there is a bad place on Main Street at the corner of Main and Mill Streets, but it was generally agreed that that was the State's place to patch as it was on Main Street which the State maintains.

Dr. Baum said that Mrs. Bertha Watkins was concerned about the dead tree which is on the verge of C.B. Reed's property on College Street. Dr. Hill offered to get Mr. Reed's nephew to do something about the situation.

(5) Dr. Baum informed the Board that the Marshall's partition in the Fire Station was now finished and the Clerk told the Board that he had received a bill for \$40.25 from Guy Gibson for the work--which does not include the materials. Dr. Baum again brought up the subject of Marshall Denham's extra days that he has been working. It was generally agreed that the Marshall should be paid extra for these days and that it would be his duty to find someone to take his place when he takes a day off. It was also agreed that the check for these extra days should be made out as expense money so that Social Security payments do not have to be taken out of it. As a result, Dr. Baum made the motion that the Board pay Marshall Denham \$62.00 per month expenses for the extra days he puts in (taking no days off per week) out of which he will have to pay anyone he gets to fill in for him when he does take a day off. Dr. Baum added that the motion was to be retroactive to January 1st of this year and that no Social Security was to be paid on this amount. Dr. Hill seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval by the Board of the proposal.

Dr. Hill also made the motion that the Board allow the Marshall up to \$45.00 to have the door repaired on his patrol car. Mr. Bell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Marshall Denham commented that he believed the new police radio (which is valued at approximately \$1200.00) should have insurance. Chairman Flora suggested that the Clerk find out exactly what is covered under the present City policies and if the radio is not covered under the present policies, to find out how much more the City would have to pay to have the unit covered.

(6) A discussion followed concerning the illegal sale of alcoholic beverages in the City.

(7) Chairman Flora told the Board that he had no definite recent information on the Water Department, but that it seemed there was more trouble stemming from the crooked shaft of one of the Water Works: two wells.

(8) Chairman Flora turned the floor over to Mr. Marr who said that there was little activity going on at the Cemetery but he brought to the Board's attention a bill from the City Clerk, Stephen B. Flora, incurred as a result of time spent trimming trees in the Cemetery. Mr. Marr made the motion that the \$95.10 bill from S.B. Flora be approved by the Board and be paid by the Cemetery Clerk, Mrs. C.L. Jordan. Dr. Hill seconded the motion. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

(9) Dr. Hill brought to the Clerk's attention the Overhead Door Company of Bowling Green in regard to the Clerk getting an estimate on a new front door for the fire station. The door is needed on the side of the station in which the City truck is parked.

A discussion followed on the ownership of the fire station property. It was agreed that the Clerk should get in touch with the County Clerk, Mr. Charles Morehead, and have a copy made of the deed for the property which Chairman Flora said was bought by the City from the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company about February 1951.

(10) Dr. Baum commented that if the City does owe Jerry Marr anything, he should be paid and then made to pay his taxes. Dr. Hill added that in any communication with Mr. Jerry Marr he should be told that the Board has dismissed him as Building Inspector. Dr. Hill added that he would be in favor of abolishing the office as of this time and perhaps later redefining it more exactly and then reinstitute it.

(11) A discussion followed concerning the low property assessments in the City.

The Board seeing no further business to be discussed at the time, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Lucia E. Flora
Chairman, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Stephen B. Flora
City Clerk.