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Council Proceedings.

May 2, 1904.

The City Council of the city of Canton met in regular session with Mayor Thayer and all members of the council present.

Minutes of April 4th and April 21st, 1904, were read and approved.

The following bills were read, approved by the finance committee and mayor, and on motion City Auditor was ordered to draw warrants on the several funds for the various amounts:

J. C. Richter, salary as water com. \$ 55 00

T. H. Treat & Son, sup for ww 1 40

O. W. Walrath, work at hose 5 00

Lafe Walrath, wk at standpipe 1 00

Arthur Way, wk at pump stat 1 00

Ed. Reynolds, work on waterworks 4 00

Oscar Skartvedt, hauling tools for waterworks 1 25

E. Ellingson, repair work for ww 30 90

W. E. Moore, digging ww ditch 1 00

H. P. Stone, hauling coals for ww 13 00

H. G. Gilbert, salary as street com 41 50

Hans Anderson, salary and cash advanced 414 50

Arthur Linn, printing and pub 16 50

John Huntington, salary chief of police for April 50 00

O. O. Knudson, salary city attorney 4th quarter 43 75

W. S. Ingham, salary and postage for April 25 25

Canton General Electric Company, lights for April 161 00

A. E. Jones, copying reg lists 7 00

Canton Telephone Co, telephone for May 3 00

H. E. Thayer, salary 4th quarter 37 50

H. W. Brenner, special police 2 00

O. C. Nash & Son, printing & pub 18 50

J. E. Quisenberry, special police 2 00

Claud Robinson, hauling 2 00

John Huntington, extra work as police for six months 55 50

Tank Bros., feeding prisoners 1 50

Asa Forrest, Jr., printing for city auditor 2 00

A. G. Noid, sup for fire dept 1 92

Fred Dunn, extra police 2 00

H. N. Cooper, insurance on fire apparatus 18 00

Jacob Olson, printing 14 00

W. A. Beach, election supplies 12 50

M. L. Syverud, salary for year 25 00

M. Bennett, " " " 25 00

T. T. Smith, " " " 25 00

F. H. Treat, " " " 25 00

A. G. Noid, " " " 25 00

A. T. Sheldon, " " " 25 00

John Anderson, " " " 25 00

J. D. Cloud, " " " 25 00

Wm. Corson, salary as city weighmaster and extra work for month of April 40 00

C. A. Winter, use of room for election 2 00

Otto Hervig, special police 2 00

Motion was made and carried that the city water be furnished free to the fair grounds from this date until the 10th of June.

Reports of City Treasurer and City Auditor were read and approved by the finance committee and mayor, and on motion ordered published in the official papers of the city.

Mayor Thayer appointed Sheldon, Noid and Anderson as a committee to hear objections to proposed sewer, at council room on the evening of May 27th from 8 to 9 p. m.

Mayor Thayer then delivered his farewell address which was as follows:

MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

Gentlemen of the common council, City of Canton. It is with some regret that I now sever my connection with the city affairs and with you councilmen who have been my faithful advisers. You have done your duty faithfully and have always looked to that interest which would best serve the entire city. You have been punctual and faithful in your attendance at all council meetings and I want to say that no mayor could ask for a better council, auditor and city attorney than you have been.

A little summary of the work accomplished under this administration perhaps will be of interest to some of the kickers. At the beginning of our administration we had outstanding \$17,000 in waterworks bonds drawing 6 per cent interest. We have paid one of these bonds of \$1,000 and the balance \$16,000 have been refunded and placed at 5 per cent interest, the city of Canton receiving \$940 for making the exchange or practically replacing the bonds at 4 1/2 per cent interest, making a yearly saving of \$240 during the life of the bonds to our city.

We have constructed 16 1/2 blocks of 8 inch sewerage during the past 2 years. We have adopted a system of parking and grading for the entire city at a cost of about \$250 for surveying and making profiles. The system has been universally adopted and several miles of new cement sidewalk and parking lines have been laid out during the past 2 years.

Our policy at the beginning of this administration was for Permanent Improvements. We have followed out this line and feel satisfied that we have made some very good improvements.

We have expended the past year \$2133.00 on public highways. \$1007.00 of this amount was for cement crossings. Last year we built three of these crossings as a test. Finding them to be all right when properly constructed, we built 23 of them the past year under a 5 year guarantee. We find them far superior to the stone crossings and would recommend all crossings hereafter built should be of cement under contract.

We have graded down the hill at the foot of Broadway and removed obstructions from said street thus opening up this street with a very nice driveway to the river.

WATERWORKS SYSTEM.

We have expended on the system during the past year \$3809.00, of this amount \$2500 was paid out for improvements to the plant. We put in last fall a set of new pumps at a cost of about \$1000 and the balance was expended in buying 4 and 6 inch water mains of which we laid 2 1/2 blocks of the 6 inch and four blocks of the 4 inch mains. I find the actual cost of maintaining the water plant the past year has been \$1360, while the water rents collected amount to \$1404, thus making the plant self sustaining under the present meter rates.

We found upon cleaning out the standpipe a few days ago that the iron is badly rusted on the inside about 1/2 of the way up and that two of the cast iron braces that support the standpipe at the bottom are cracked.

I have instructed the city auditor to correspond with pipe experts and see what can be done with the pipe to protect it from further damage and also to secure two new braces to replace the cracked ones. I would recommend to the newly elected mayor and council to see that this is repaired as soon as possible.

Gentlemen of the council and all officers connected with the city, let me thank you for your efficient aid during my administration.

To you gentlemen who succeed us I have the highest esteem and confidence of your ability to successfully govern the affairs of our city which I now leave in your hands.

H. E. THAYER.

Moved that Mr. Thayer's address be spread upon the records and ordered published in the official papers of the city. Carried.

On motion the council adjourned sine die. H. E. THAYER, Mayor.

W. S. INGHAM, City Auditor.

NEW COUNCIL.

The city council met this date, May 2nd 1904. Mayor elect C. H. Fitch being absent, president of the council A. T. Sheldon called the council to order. Members present: Sheldon, Noid, Bennett, Smith, Syverud, Anderson. The bond and oath of C. H. Fitch, as mayor of the city of Canton being filed with the city auditor, the same was approved.

The oath of office was administered by the auditor to T. T. Smith, A. T. Sheldon, F. A. Van Fleet and A. Repp as aldermen for the next two years.

After several ballots A. T. Sheldon was re-elected as president of the council for the ensuing term. M. Bennett was elected vice president of the council.

The oath of office and bond of Mayor Fitch having been approved, the following appointments were read by the president of the council having been filed with the auditor by Mayor Fitch. The appointments were as follows:

City Auditor—W. S. Ingham, City Attorney—H. J. Brown, Chief of Police—M. A. Johnson, Street Commissioner—H. G. Gilbert.

Which appointments were on motion unanimously confirmed by the council. J. C. Richter was re-elected as water commissioner by the council.

Wm. Corson was re-elected as city weighmaster by the council.

Stephen Jones put in a bid for hauling coal for the city water works at 25c per ton from track and on motion the bid was accepted and city attorney instructed to draw up necessary contract covering the same.

Bond of Assessor George Olson for \$500, with W. K. Slade and Chas. Kundert as sureties, was approved.

Bond of H. H. DeLong, police justice of the peace for \$500, with Ole J. Rommerelm and M. DeLong as sureties, approved.

Bond of D. H. Hawn as city justice of the peace for \$500, with J. P. Hawn and B. B. Wright as sureties, approved.

On motion council adjourned until May 9th at 8 p. m.

A. T. SHELDON, President of Council.

W. S. INGHAM, Auditor.

City Treasurer's Report.

Report of City Treasurer for year, May 1, 1903, to May 1, 1904.

1903 GENERAL FUND. \$ 6,319 82

May 1. By balance on hand..... 10 00

" 4. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 45 55

" 5. Am't rec'd from city weighmaster..... 4 85

" 6. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 871 82

June 1. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 21 00

" 2. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 4 50

" 3. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 62 85

" 4. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 800 00

" 5. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 53 95

" 6. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 25 10

" 7. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 10 10

" 8. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 21 80

" 9. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 21 80

" 10. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 43 43

" 11. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 80 55

" 12. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 270 00

" 13. Am't rec'd from city justice..... 7 00

Auditor's Report.

Report of the City Auditor for the City of Canton, South Dakota, for the year ending April 30th, 1904.

To the Honorable Mayor and the City Council of the City of Canton, South Dakota.

Gentlemen: I herewith most respectfully submit for your consideration a report of the receipts and disbursements through my office for the year ending April 30, 1904.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Auditor's salary..... \$ 300 00

Marshall's salary..... 149 53

Treasurer's salary..... 100 00

Street commissioner's salary..... 615 50

City weighmaster's salary..... 430 45

Assessor's salary..... 150 00

Special police..... 65 00

Water commissioner's salary..... 650 25

Mayor's salary..... 507 27

Material and supplies for water works..... 960 50

Hired hands for water works..... 1,038 64

Valis and hardware for highways..... 7 25

Hired hands for highways..... 245 67

Miscellaneous for highways..... 1,097 58

Justice fees..... 5 80

Police fees..... 1 10

Printing and advertising..... 271 70

Lights and fuel..... 1,038 64

Rent of council room..... 110 00

Miscellaneous (care of sewer, phones, work at scales, hauling, election expenses, etc.)..... 1,587 15

Total..... \$11,870 50

Cash received from water rents..... \$1,494 01

Licenses issued..... 254 00

Total..... \$1,748 01

Respectfully submitted, W. S. INGHAM, City Auditor, Canton, S. Dak.

Approved by financial committee, T. T. SMITH, J. D. CLOUD, M. L. SYVERUD, F. H. TREAT.

The Canton Races

The Canton Speed Association of the Corn Belt Circuit opens the season at Canton, June 1, 2, 3, 1904. These trotting, pacing and running races will be the finest ever witnessed in the state. \$1,700 in purses will be paid at the races. Don't fail to attend these races, because some of the speediest horses in the Northwest will be there. Fifty horses are booked for these events. A fine band of music will be present every day.

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