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CITY COUNCIL--OFFICIAL.

REGULAR MEETING.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, May 10, 1870.

Mayor Flanders called the Council to order at seven o'clock this evening.

Roll called.

Present: Administrators J. R. West (Improvements), Alfred Shaw (Accounts), L. T. Delassize (Public Buildings), S. C. Emley (Commerce), E. W. Pierce (Police), J. S. Walton (Finance), and H. Bonzano (Assessments).

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

Appropriations.

Administrator West moved to suspend the rules, in order to take up the deferred business, which included the appropriations for the various pay rolls for the month of April. He regarded this as highly important, with a view to re-establishing the city's credit.

The motion was agreed to.

The Council thereupon took up and unanimously passed the ordinance offered by Mr. Shaw at the last regular meeting, and then read a first and second time providing for the pay rolls of the Department of Public Accounts and the Mayor's office, and making appropriations for the Firemen's Charitable Association, Criminal Sheriff and clerk, etc.

Administrator Pierce called up the ordinance making appropriations for the Department of Police, which he submitted in an amended form as far as regarded the first section. As amended the section read:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenses of the Department of Police, for the month of April, 1870.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of New Orleans, that the following sums of money, are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Police, for the month of April, 1870:

1.—ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE.		
Salaries	$220 35	
John W. Madden, stationery	108 00	
Catherine Lynch, painting and whitening office	32 00	
A. Brousseau, oil cloth	102 24	
Uniacke & Konrad, sign for office	7 00	
James Gleason, repairing locks to desks	2 75—	472 34
2.—RECORDERS' COURTS.		
First District:		
Salaries	778 31—	778 31
Second District:		
Salaries	694 93	
John W. Madden, stationery	283 00—	977 93
Third District:		
Salaries	658 33	
John W. Madden, stationery	9 50—	667 83
Fourth District:		
Salaries	658 26	
George Coats, repairing safe	30 00—	688 26
Fifth District:		
Salaries	255 48	
John W. Madden, stationery	520 00—	775 48
Sixth District:		
Salaries	333 33	
John W. Madden, stationery	100 85—	434 18
3.—CITY WORKHOUSE.		
Salaries	719 13	
H. J. Mulian & Co., hardware	102 01	
John W. Madden, stationery	8 75	
McRoberts & Dick, soap	9 00	
Spencer Field & Co., coal	15 00	
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	64 50	
C. E. Dirmeyer, wood and charcoal	53 00	
N. Burke, groceries	157 17	
R. S. Bruce, forage	94 12	
N. Burke, groceries	8 75	
Louis Ruch, beef	157 12—	1,388 55
4.—BOYS' HOUSE OF REFUGE.		
Salaries	420 00	
D. Moriarity, groceries	435 95	
Charles E. Slayback & Co., flour	374 75	
Louis Ruch, beef and vegetables	365 00—	1,595 70
5.—GIRLS' HOUSE OF REFUGE.		
Salaries	75 00	
C. E. Dirmeyer, wood and charcoal	14 80	
Daniel Moriarty, groceries	83 90	
Louis Ruch, beef	28 00	
A. Guyal, Secratary of Commissioners of Houses of Refuge	30 00—	231 70
6.—CITY PARK.		
Salaries	83 33—	83 33
7.—CITY CEMETERY.		
Salaries	30 00—	30 00
8.—PUBLIC POUNDS.		
First District:		
Salaries	83 33	
James Wright, rent	40 00	
Republican Printing Company, advertising	26 00—	149 33
Second District:		
Salaries	83 33	
Republican Printing Company, advertising	24 00	
John R. Clay, rent	65 00—	172 33
Third District:		
Salaries	83 33	
M. T. Gilaur, rent	20 00	
Republican Printing Company, advertising	9 00—	112 33
Fourth District:		
Salaries	83 33	
James Coyle, rent	50 00	
Republican Printing Company, advertising	15 00—	148 33
Fifth District Pound:		
Republican Printing Company, advertising	10 00—	10 00
9.—PUBLIC SQUARES.		
Salaries—City Gardener, watchmen, etc., retained force	468 50	
Salaries—Discharged watchmen, etc.	922 50—	1,391 00
10.—BURYING INDIGENT DEAD AND REMOVING SICK.		
Howard Millspaugh	300 00	
S. Guilland	8 00—	308 00
11.—LIGHTING CITY.		
Gaslight Company	13,516 70	
W. J. Behan, oil lamps	4,000 00	
C. P. Briel, oil lamps, Fifth District	137 31—	17,654 01
Total		$28,068 94

The entire ordinance was read, and, on a yea to nay vote, was unanimously adopted.

Administrator Walton remarked that as his department was the one from which the funds were to come, he wished to give a word of warning. These appropriations must be met, as the honor of the Council was involved in them, but if the Council continued to make departmental appropriations on the same scale, he really did not see where the money was to come from.

Mr. West thought remarks like these were calculated to shake public confidence in the intelligence of the Administrators. Here were appropriations for a hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, and by the showing of the gentleman himself the city had a balance of thirty thousand and a loan of a hundred thousand dollars to meet them with.

Mr. Walton explained that the appropriations asked for footed up a hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

The Mayor said the discussion was irregular. When the question of fixed expenditures came up he should have some remarks to offer.

Administrator West called up the ordinance making appropriations for the Department of Improvements. The first section he had amended to read as follows:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Improvements for the month of April, 1870

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the following sums of money are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Improvements for the month of April, 1870.

1. Expenditures of the Department proper, $613 20, as follows:

John Cockrem, for salary as Secretary	$144 45
L. F. Janin, for salary as clerk	76 67
George H. Davidson, for salary as messenger	43 32
Uniacke & Konrad, for signs	14 00
J. W. Madden, for stationery	66 40
Steel & Co., for stationery	33 00
Mitchell & Craig, for furniture	33 00
Sampson Bros., for furniture	60 00
A. H. M. Peterson, for ribbon stamp	14 50
John G. Fleming, for gas fixtures	108 46
A. Brousseau & Co., for oil cloth	16 20
John Cockrem, for postage	3 20
Total	$613 20

2. Expenditures of the Bureau of Streets $26,726 41, as follows:

William Roy, for salary as superintendent	$216 67
W. D. Ash, for salary as chief clerk	151 67
T. R. Barnett, for salary as assistant clerk	80 00
James McArdle, for salary as assistant clerk	86 67
W. H. Waters, for salary as district superintendent	125 00
William Vigers, for salary as district superintendent	125 00
J. H. Ingraham, for salary as district superintendent	125 00
Felix Spranley, for salary as district superintendent	125 00
John Garstkamp, for salary as district superintendent	125 00
J. H. Meilleur, for salary as ward superintendent	80 00
John King, for salary as ward superintendent	63 33
William Pease, for salary as ward superintendent	76 67
C. F. Ladd, for salary as ward superintendent	80 00
W. J. Moore, for salary as ward superintendent	80 00
J. H. Brown, for salary as ward superintendent	20 00
Alexander Armstrong, for salary as ward superintendent	76 67
John Davis, for salary as ward superintendent	76 67
C. B. Augustus, for salary as ward superintendent	66 67
M. B. McGarry, for salary as ward superintendent	66 67
P. C. Monaghan, for salary as ward superintendent	50 00
P. Schultz, for salary as ward superintendent	66 67
E. P. Ducloslange, for salary as ward superintendent	63 33
W. C. Kinsella, for salary as ward superintendent	60 00
Henry Weber, for salary as ward superintendent	53 33
Louis Kenner, for salary as ward superintendent	20 00
A. J. Brim, for salary as depot keeper	55 55
Emile Callico, for salary as messenger	12 00
Louis H. Williams, for salary as messenger	7 50
Charles Earle, for salary as watchman	10 00
S. P. Johnson, for salary as watchman	10 00
J. S. Carter, for salary as depot keeper	11 11
W. H. Michel, for salary as clerk and messenger	65 00
ASSISTANT DEPUTY STREET COMMISSIONERS EMPLOYED UNDER FORMER ADMINISTRATION.	
John Connors	$10 00
John McCormack	10 00
William Smith	16 57
George Smith	10 00
S. B Gill	13 33
Daniel Curran	30 00
C. Meister	23 33
F. W. Carroll	10 00
George Delamore	13 33
C. C. Fanning	10 00
Robert Mullen	23 33
James Casey	23 33
Pay roll of laborers	8,926 49
Hasam & Pooley, for lumber	412 26
Ocean Saw Mills, for lumber	71 12
M. Condram, for oyster shells	405 30
Stauffer, Kent & Co., for hardware	15 97
Folger & Co., for hardware	164 28
Sampson Bros., for furniture	24 50
J. Vaudan Harr, for furniture	2 25
A. W. Deane, for repairing locks, etc	12 25
William Henry, for ballast	35 00
Steel & Co., for stationery	235 91
J. W. Wadden, for stationery	8 85
New Orleans Times, for advertising	13 50
New Orleans Picayune, for advertising	12 00
New Orleans Republican, for advertising	329 00
Total	$13,193 08
CONTRACTS.	
William Henry, for shells, Administration series No. 12	$850 00
Morris Golding, for cleaning streets	1,716 66
E. D. White, for cleaning streets	791 66
J. J. O'Hara, for cleaning streets	2,500 00
Joseph Artigues, for cleaning streets	2,875 00
John Beitry, for cleaning streets	3,066 67
William Henry, for cleaning streets	1,733 34
Total	$26,726 41

3. Expenditures of the Bureau of Wharves and Landings, $6769 53, as follows:

W. H. Pemberton, for salary as superintendent	$216 65
James Allan, for salary as clerk	83 30
Charles H. Waldo, for salary as wharfinger	30 00
A. H. McArthur, for salary as wharfinger	30 00
A. B. Chase, for salary as wharfinger	30 00
John J. Chadwick, for salary as wharfinger	30 00
James B. Watkins, for salary as deputy wharfinger	20 00
Antonio Nolasco, for salary as deputy wharfinger	20 00
James McK. Richards, for salary as deputy wharfinger	20 00
James Terrell, for salary as deputy wharfinger	20 00
Hugh McNeil, for salary as keeper nuisance wharf	33 33
J. C. McGilvray, for salary as keeper nuisance wharf	21 66
Charles H. Hughes, for salary as watchman nuisance boat	55 00
John F. Winston, for salary as watchman nuisance boat	27 50
Douglas Brown, for salary as watchman nuisance boat	30 00
EMPLOYES UNDER FORMER ADMINISTRATION.	
H. Gallagher, for salary as wharfinger	$100 00
E. Dupre, for salary as wharfinger	100 00
R. Hamilton, for salary as assistant wharfinger	66 65
C. Boyle, for salary as assistant wharfinger	66 65
R. Brewster, for salary as assistant wharfinger	66 65
D. Waters, for salary as assistant wharfinger	66 65
B. Haggerty, salary as keeper nuisance wharf	42 50
E. O. Sullivan, salary as keeper nuisance wharf	44 45
W. Logan, salary as keeper nuisance wharf	38 88
J. McMahon, salary as watchman nuisance boat	15 00
M. Rush, salary as watchman nuisance boat	37 50
Pay roll of laborers	3,457 60
Steel & Co., for stationery	106 00
Stetson & Armstrong, for stationery	22 00
W. W. Carre & Co., for lumber	213 02
CONTRACTS.	
Peter Markey, for lumber, Administration series No. 10	1,075 21
W. H. McChesney, for removing nuisance boats	583 33
Total	$6,769 53

4. Expenditures of the Bureau of City Drainage, $7272 95, as follows:

John G. Loogstreet, for salary as Superintendent	$127 88
V. E. McCarthy, for salary as clerk	100 00
Pay roll of laborers	6,450 55
Patrick Bonner, for pumps	8 00
William Murray, for pumps	8 00
William Murray, for lumber	53 00
D. L. Depas, for lumber	25 62
Judgment Fourth District Court—Louis Gagnet, for draining into Bayou St. John	500 00
Total	$7,272 95
RECAPITULATION.	
Expenditures of the Department proper	$613 20
Expenditures of the Bureau of Streets	26,726 41
Expenditures of the Bureau of Wharves and Landings	6,769 53
Expenditures of the Bureau of City Drainage	7,272 95
Total	$41,382 09

The other sections of the ordinance remained unchanged. It was read as a whole and on a yea and nay vote was adopted unanimously.

Administrator Pierce called up the ordinance appropriating sixty-five thousand dollars for the months' pay of the police force.

The yeas and nays were called and the ordinance was adopted.

Administrator Delassize called up the ordinance making appropriations for the payment of certain Waterworks accounts, which was unanimously adopted, as was also the ordinance appropriating $10,106 06 for the payment of Mr. C. A. Miltenberger's coal contract.

Administrator Walton called up the ordinance providing for the payment of the employes of the Department of Finance and of the late City Treasurer, which, on a yea and nay vote, was passed.

Administrator Shaw submitted the following ordinance, which was read a second time and laid over:

Resolution for the payment of certain pay rolls and accounts therein named.

Resolved, That the following appropriations be, and the same are hereby made, and the Administrator of Public Accounts be, and is hereby authorized to issue warrants upon the Department of Finance in payment thereof.

Pay roll clerks and assistant in City Attorney's, month of April	$600 00
City Attorney's salary, three days, at the rate of $4000 per annum	33 33
City Attorney's salary, twenty-seven days, at the rate of $6000 per annum	468 75
Pay roll of Controller's office, month of April	119 45
District Attorney Luzenberg's fee bill, April 1 to 18, inclusive, as per bill approved by Judge of the First District Court	300 00
District Attorney Luzenberg's bill, April 19 to 29 inclusive	315 00
Chapsky & Teetzel, seals and stamps for Department of Public Accounts	13 80
Pay roll for the jury in First District Court last three weeks of April	2,007 00
J. W. Madden, stationery bill, dated April 30, 1870, approved by City Attorney Beckwith	113 75
Joseph Gutbier, for wood and coal taken from him for use of engines at fire	25 00
Republican Printing Company work done for Waterworks, approved by Administrator of Waterworks and Public Buildings	32 00
John J. Martin, judgment in suit of J. J. Martin vs. city of New Orleans, No. 2868 Seventh District Court, (with interest and costs)	400 00
W. H. Burroughs, per centage retained in guarantees on repairs done to Lafayette Hook and Ladder Company	40 00
Mrs. Brand, taxes paid in mistake, as per voucher	9 00
Bill of Coroner Roche for inquests held and bodies viewed and buried for April	1,799 00
April pay roll of Coroner's juries, Second and Third Districts, approved by Coroner Avila	390 00
Fees of Coroner Avila, Second and Third Districts, for April	1,240 00

Department Reports.

Report from Administrator Emley:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, City of New Orleans, City Hall, May 10, 1870.

To the Council of the City of New Orleans:

In the matter of the petition of Denis Cronan, Jr., lessee of the Treme Market, asking to be discharged from all further obligations in said market contract, referred to this Department, I respectfully report that upon inquiry and examination into the facts I find that the security for the performance of said contract on the part of said lessee is quite unreliable. I find that the two notes of said lessee due fourth of March and fourth of April for $3250 each are unpaid. Said lessee having paid his January, February and May payments of $3250 each.

Said lessee presents an account of receipts from said market, from January 1, to May 10, inclusive, amounting to $11,779 40, and after sundry deductions for amounts paid collector, and for cleaning market, etc., he shows a balance of cash on hand of $1355 34, which he proposes to pay to the city, and surrender the said market upon a cancellation of all obligations.

I recommend that the Council authorize this department to receive from said lessee $1841 40 in full settlement of said market contract. This allows him simply for cash paid for cleaning said market during his occupancy.

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator Department of Commerce.

Received and adopted.

Moved by Mr. Emley:

Resolved, That the Administrator of the Department of Finance be and hereby is authorized to receive eighteen hundred and forty-one dollars and forty cents, from Denis Cronan, Jr., lessee of Treme Market, and accept the surrender of said market to the city, and to cancel all obligations under the lease of said market.

The Mayor mentioned that many of these market leases had been forfeited by the failure of the lessees to pay up their notes. The old Council took no notice of this, but the present Council would probably pursue a different course in this respect.

The resolution moved by Mr. Emley, was carried.

Mr. Emley presented another report:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, City of New Orleans, City Hall, May 10, 1870.

To the Council of the city of New Orleans:

The petition of E. Nargaud, lessee of Le Breton Market, referred to this Department, represents that since the adjudication of said market to said petitioner, the butchers have left the market, and that out of sixty stalls, only one is occupied.

That under the circumstances it is impossible for petitioner to perform his part of the contract, and asks the Council to discharge him from further obligations as lessee of said market. The undersigned respectfully reports that upon personally visiting said market and inquiring into the facts, finds that said market is yielding in revenues to said lessee about one dollar and fifty cents per day, or forty-five dollars per month; that there is but one vendor of meats and one of vegetables in the market; that this falling off of patronage is from no fault of said lessee. The said market was leased for the year at $1050. The lessee has already paid $437 50, and now agrees to pay $100 additional and surrender the market to the city, upon being released from all further obligations in the premises.

This would make his entire payment amount to $537 50, about equal to the gross receipts from the market for the entire year.

In the judgment of the undersigned a strict compliance with the terms of the lease on the part of this lessee could be enforced by the city, but the said lessee is a man of small means, and it would distress him, perhaps seriously, to exact a fulfillment of his contract.

The undersigned, therefore, recommends a settlement and release upon the terms proposed by said lessee.

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator of Department of Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Bonzano the report was received and laid over till the next meeting.

Further report by Administrator Emley:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, City of New Orleans, City Hall, May 10, 1870.

To the Council of the City of New Orleans:

The resolution granting permission to the Canal and Claiborne Streets Railroad Company to change the running of their cars on their road from left to right, referred to this department, is reported back with the recommendation to adopt the same, and I have the honor to report the concurrence of the City Attorney in this action.

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator Department of Commerce.

Received.

The resolution accompanying the report giving the required authorization was adopted.

Further report from the Department of Commerce:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, City of New Orleans, City Hall, May 10, 1870.

To the Council of the city of New Orleans:

The resolution granting permission to Joseph Johnson to erect a steam engine on his premises on Religious street, between Orange and Race streets, referred to this department, is reported back, with a recommendation to adopt the same.

The said Joseph Johnson, having accompanied his petition for such permission "with the written consent of a majority of the residents within at least one square of the place, etc., as required by ordinance No. 5581.

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator Department of Commerce.

Report received and resolution passed.

Administrator Walton presented the subjoined report, which was received and adopted:

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR OF FINANCE, City Hall, New Orleans, May 10, 1870.

GENTLEMEN: The Administrator of Finance, to whom was referred a communication from the Sheriff, asking this Council to point out property of delinquent taxpayers, has also had under consideration another communication from the Sheriff on the same subject, in which that officer says he will employ persons to designate property as aforesaid, and collect the amounts due the city on the tax bills of 1868, for a commission of five per cent on the amount paid into the treasury, beyond which the city shall not be liable for any expense incurred by the Sheriff in making the collections. There is a large amount of these taxes, which active measures will very soon bring into the treasury, where it was never more needed than at this time, and I am assured by the Sheriff that he will spare no exertions to accomplish so desirable a result. I therefore submit the accompanying ordinance, and ask that it be adopted without delay.

Respectfully,
JOHN S. WALTON,
Administrator of Finance.

Administrator Shaw offered the following ordinance:

An ordinance to insure the prompt collection of city taxes of 1868.

WHEREAS, The writs in the hands of the Civil Sheriff for the tax bills of 1868, in favor of the city of New Orleans, do not contain full and accurate description of property, or indicate the domicil of defendants, and as such information is indispensable in the execution of said judgments, and can only be procured by the city with great difficulty and attendant expense to the Sheriff—

Be it ordained, That the Civil Sheriff is fully authorized to proceed forthwith to obtain the data necessary to execute these tax writs, and that for such service he shall be allowed a remuneration of five per cent on amounts paid into the treasury; provided that the Sheriff shall receive no compensation for such service on writs not collected, and that in case of the repeal of this ordinance, or any change of incumbent in the office of Civil Sheriff, no claim shall lie against the city for taxes uncollected or on account of previous services rendered under this ordinance toward collecting the same, and the Civil Sheriff shall, on repeal of this ordinance or change in the incumbency of the office, hand over and relinquish all tax bills in his hands; and provided further, that the Civil Sheriff shall accept the provisions of this ordinance in writing before its taking effect.

Be it further ordained, That the Sheriff shall make a full, detailed statement of all writs remaining in his hands on the first day of October, 1870, and the resons for their non-collection, which service shall be without further compensation than is hereinbefore provided for.

Read a first and second time, and laid over.

Report by Administrator Delassize:

DEPARTMENT OF THE WATERWORKS AND Public Buildings, New Orleans, May 10, 1870.

To the Council of the city of New Orleans:

On Wednesday, May 4, 1870, I met his Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Administrator of Finance, for the purpose of opening such bids as had been presented in response to an advertisement calling for proposals for furnishing eight (8) new boilers to the City Waterworks. There was but one response, that of

John Armstrong, whose bid was twenty-four thousand ($24,000) dollars.

In view of the exigency of the case—the boilers at present used being utterly worn out, and liable at any time to be rendered unfit for use—it was decided to accept the bid of Mr. Armstrong, and the award was so made.

At the same time, and in the same presence, the bids for repairing the house enclosing the old engine of the Waterworks, also the reservoir, were opened. The following were the bids:

John T. Hamlin bid fifteen hundred and twenty ($1520) dollars.

Alexander McConnell bid fifteen hundred and fifty ($1550) dollars.

D. J. Wasson bid two thousand ($2000) dollars.

Jules Abelard bid twenty-one hundred and fifty ($2150) dollars.

The bid of John T. Hamlin being the lowest, he was awarded the contract.

To carry out the contracts thus awarded, I beg leave to offer the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully,
L. T. DELASSIZE,
Administrator.

Resolved, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to sign and execute on behalf of the city the requisite acts before the City Notary, to secure and carry into effect, first, the contract with John Armstrong to furnish the City Waterworks with eight new boilers, under resolution No. 9; and, second, the contract with John T. Hamlin, for repairing the engine room and reservoir of the Waterworks, under resolution No. 25.

The report was received, and the resolution was read a first and second time, and laid over.

Further report from Mr. Delassize:

DEPARTMENT OF THE WATER WORKS and Public Buildings, New Orleans, May 10, 1870.

To the Council of the city of New Orleans:

In relation to the matter of securing to the Eighth District Court a suitable court room, I have to report the following:

That arrangements can be made with the owners of the Orleans Ball Room, whereby the said room can be leased on advantageous terms.

That arrangements for the lease being consummated, the ball room be fitted up for the use of the First District Court; the Third District Court to occupy the rooms vacated by the First District Court, and the Eighth District Court to take the room made vacant by the removal of the Third District Court.

This is the best arrangement that can be made at present. I would therefore ask the passage of the accompanying resolution. Respectfully,

L. T. DELASSIZE,
Administrator.

Resolved, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to sign and execute, on behalf of the city, the requisite acts before the city notary for the lease of room known as the Orleans Ball Room, in the Second District of this city. Said room to be fitted up for the use of the First District Court, the rent of said ball room not to exceed sixty dollars per month.

The resolution was amended to make the lease for one year with a privilege of renewal on the part of the city, and so amended it was read a second time and laid over.

On motion of Mr. Delassize it was resolved as follows:

Resolved, That the Administrator of Waterworks and Public Buildings be authorized to procure from the Administrator of Police, tables, benches and other furniture required by the Insane Asylum not to exceed five hundred dollars—the said furniture to be made in the City Workhouse.

Resolved, That the Administrator of Waterworks and Public Buildings be and he is hereby authorized to procure for the City Insane Asylum sundry articles, such as men and womens' hose, towels, etc., the cost not to exceed five hundred dollars.

Administrator Shaw submitted the following ordinance, which was read a first and second time and laid over:

An ordinance allowing interest on accounts and payrolls for March, 1870, and the quarter ending March 31, 1870.

WHEREAS, Doubts exist as to the power of the Council to provide for the payment of payrolls and accounts for the month of March, 1870, and the quarter ending March 31, 1870, by the method provided by law for the liquidation of the floating debt;

Be it ordained, That the holders and owners of such accounts be entitled to interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum, from the time their accounts become due until payment; and they shall be entitled to receive certificates to that effect from the Administrator of Public Accounts, so soon as their accounts or payrolls shall have been approved and passed the Council.

The annexed resolution, introduced by Mr. Shaw, was read a first and second time, and referred to the Department of Improvements:

Resolved, That the sum of $1991 58 be appropriated, and the Administrator of Public Accounts warrant upon the Department of Finance for its payment upon the April roll of the Surveyor's Department.

It was also resolved, on the motion of Mr. Shaw, that the payrolls of the Street Commissioner's Department of the late City of Jefferson be referred to the Administrator of Improvements for examination, and report.

Mr. Shaw further offered the following resolution, which was read a first and second time and laid over:

Resolved, That the sum of eight hundred and sixty dollars be and is hereby appropriated to meet the expense attendant upon act of contract and mortgage by and between the city of New Orleans and Bank of New Orleans (including revenue stamps and recording same), and that the Administrator of Public Accounts is hereby instructed to warrant on the Administrator of Finance, in favor of A. Hero, Jr., for the aforesaid sum of eight hundred and sixty dollars.

Mr. Shaw laid before the Council an eight-hundred dollar bill from Roger T. Boyle for catching and watching a nuisance boat.

Referred to Department of Improvements.

An account from W. H. Burroughs, approved by City Surveyor, was referred to the Department of Commerce.

Two ice bills were respectively referred to the Administrator of Police and Public Buildings.

An account from Louis St. Martin and others was referred to the Department of Finance.

The subjoined communication from the late Assistant City Attorney was referred to the same department:

NEW ORLEANS, May 10, 1870.

Hon. Alfred Shaw, Administrator of Public Accounts:

DEAR SIR—According to the very hasty recapitulation of my books, which I have made, the licenses you refer to have been disposed of as follows:

Total licenses received	$86,688 97
Total orders issued	20,435 29
Total	$107,124 17
Less payments	38,089 46
Balance	$69,034 71

This balance is distributed as follows:

Licenses returned	$16,917 75
Licenses retained for decision	1,750 40
Licenses received on account of other licenses	401 70
Judgments to suits pending, as per returns:	
In Second Justice's Court	2 007 41
In Third Justice's Court	7,652 90
In Fourth Justice's Court	1,476 55
Judgments and suits pending:	
In Fifth District Court	32,960 00
In Sixth District Court	1 043 00
In Seventh District Court	4,835 00
Total	$69,034 71

I propose to revise these figures, and in a few days will be prepared to submit to you whatever difference the revision may necessitate. The large amount in litigation in the Fifth District Court is made chiefly up of suits against the different insurance companies.

Very respectfully,
F. MICHINARD.

P. S.—I wish it to be distinctly understood that I am prepared to continue my services in the cases yet pending for the above licenses.

Very respectfully, F. M.

A claim of John Fitzpatrick was referred to the Department of Finance.

On motion of Mr. Shaw, it was resolved that the rolls and accounts for back pay due to the teachers of the late City of Jefferson be referred to a special committee, to report.

Another resolution, offered by Mr. Shaw, was read a first and second time and laid over, as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of $26,279 45 be appropriated, and the Administrator of Public Accounts warrant on the Department of Finance, for the payment of the pay rolls of the teachers and porters and rents of the public schools of New Orleans for April, 1870.

A claim of James Ready for rent was referred to the Administrator of Public Buildings.

Mr. Shaw submitted the following ordinance, which was read a second time and laid over under the rules:

An ordinance to provide for the payment of the balance of the apportionment assessed by the Board of Metropolitan Police against the city of New Orleans for the year ending September 30, 1869.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the City of New Orleans, That the sum of $149,836 48 be appropriated for the payment of the balance due on the apportionment of the Board of Metropolitan Police assessed against the city of New Orleans, for the year ending September 30, 1869.

SEC. 2. That the Administrator of Finance is hereby instructed to receive in payment of all taxes, licenses and other dues to the city of New Orleans, all warrants or checks issued by the Board of Metropolitan Police, in payment of the salaries of officers and employes of the Metropolitan Police, and for supplies and expenses of said Board of Police for that portion of the Metropolitan Police District embraced within the present limits of the city of New Orleans, as required by act No. 44 of 1869; provided, that no greater amounts shall be received for the apportionment against the city of New Orleans as constituted prior to March 16, 1870, than the appropriation made in the first section of this act, and the total amount received for the parish of Orleans, right bank, city of Jefferson, and parish of Jefferson, left bank, shall not exceed the amount of apportionment made by said Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners against said parishes and city.

The following ordinance was adopted:

An ordinance fixing the salary of the City Attorney.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the salary of the City Attorney be fixed at six thousand dollars per annum, and that said salary be considered as applying to all services rendered since the going into effect of the present charter.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That there shall be appointed an Assistant City Attorney, to be paid at the rate of five thousand five hundred dollars per annum; provided said office may be dispensed with at any time by the vote of the Council.

On motion of Mr. Shaw, it was

Resolved, That the sum of ninety dollars be and is hereby appropriated to pay the expense of copies furnished to City Attorney by the Custodian of Notarial Records, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts warrant on the Administrator of Finance in favor of said custodian for said sum of ninety dollars.

Mr. West offered the following resolution, which was read by title and laid over:

Resolution changing a portion of the route of the St. Charles Street Railroad Company.

Resolved, That resolution No. 42, new series, approved May 10, 1866, relating to "change of route of a portion of the St. Charles Street Railroad Company's track on Delord street, from St. Charles to Baronne street, be, and the same is hereby repealed," and that said Railroad Company be allowed to change said portion of track from the lower side to the upper side of said street, as provided for in Ordinance No. 6433, approved March 6, 1866.

Be it further resolved, That said company be and they are hereby authorized to change a portion of their track on Baronne street, between Seventh and Eighth streets, from the public street unto a portion of ground the private property of said company.

Be it further resolved, That said changes shall be made according to plans and lines now on file in the Department of Improvements; the levels shall be given by the City Surveyor, and the work be done to his satisfaction.

At the request of Mr. West, who introduced them, the same disposition was made of the following ordinances, they being read by title and laid over.

An ordinance prohibiting structures, shanties, etc., upon the public wharves, landing and levees.

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to erect, maintain or keep upon the public wharves, levees or landings of the city of New Orleans any shanty, shed, stand, booth, tent, or any structure of any kind whatsoever, without the permission of the Council.

Be it ordained, That any person or persons offending against the provisions of the foregoing section shall be liable, for each offense, to a fine of not less than five ($5) dollars nor more than one hundred (1$00) dollars, to be recovered in any Recorder's court of this city, and also to imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days, at the discretion of the Recorder.

Be it further ordained, That all ordinances or resolutions, or parts of the same, conflicting with this ordinance, be and the same are hereby repealed.

An ordinance amending existing ordinances relating to sidewalks, common alleys or foot passages.

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That article 1110, 2 Revised City Laws be and the same is hereby repealed.

Be it further ordained, That article 1111, 3 Revised City Laws be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "in addition to the cost of making said repairs," and in all other respects shall remain in full force and virtue.

Be it further ordained, That all repairs to sidewalks, common alleys or foot passages shall be made of materials of the same quality as were used in their original construction, and the work shall be subject to to the approval of the City Surveyor.

Mr. West offered a resolution authorizing the sale of dirt by the Department of Improvements, explaining that there was a large amount of surplus dirt lying around town, and a large amount thrown out from the canals. It would not remain there long unless the Council took action. He proposed to advertise for proposals.

The resolution was as follows:

Resolution authorizing the Administrator of Improvements to sell surplus dirt belonging to the city:

Resolved, That the Administrator of Improvements be, and he is hereby authorized to sell any surplus dirt belonging to the city, in the manner and upon the terms that he may deem most beneficial for the public interest. The money arising from sales shall be paid by the purchasers to the Administrator of Finance, and the Administrator of Improvements shall make a monthly report of such sales to the Mayor.

Adopted.

Administrator Walton offered the following ordinance, which was adopted:

An ordinance to determine the number of persons to be employed in the Department of Finance, and to fix their salaries.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained, etc., That the Administrator of Finance may employ for the purposes of his department—

One deputy administrator, with an annual salary of $3000.

One book-keeper, with an annual salary of $2000.

Eight clerks, collectors, etc., each with an annual salary of $1200.

Three license inspectors, each with an annual salary of $1500.

All of whom shall give security to the city for the faithful performance of their duties in such sums as the Administrator may direct.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That all ordinances and resolutions, and parts of the same, conflicting with this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

Administrator Pierce presented the following ordinance, which was adopted:

An ordinance establishing a pound for the Fifth District of New Orleans.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to allow any horse, mule, cow, hog, sheep, goat, or any other animal, to run at large within the limits defined by this ordinance.

SEC. 2. Be it ordained, etc., That there shall be established a Fifth (5) Pound District, which shall be comprised within the following named lines, viz: From the river in front to include Market street in the rear, and from Verrett's canal, on the lower line, to include Madison street on the upper line.

SEC. 3. Be it ordained, etc., That the provisions of ordinance No. 347, new series, approved December 14, 1866, shall hereafter apply to the Fifth (5) District in the same manner, as it provides for the government of pounds already established in the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Sixth Districts of New Orleans.

SEC. 4. Be it further ordained, That all ordinances or parts of ordinances contrary to the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. Be it further ordained, That this ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after its publication in the official journal.

On motion of the Administrator of Police, the Council passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Administrator of Police be and he is hereby authorized to receive sealed proposals for and adjudicate, after (5) five days' notice in the official journal, a contract for furnishing fresh beef for one (1) year to the City Workhouse, Boys' and Girls' Houses of Refuge, and the Insane Asylum, under the following specifications:

The contract shall be adjudicated for the term of one (1) year from the twenty-fifth day of May, 1870, or from the date of approval by the Council.

The contractor shall be bound to deliver, every morning, between the hours of five and six o'clock