

AN EIGHT MILL LEVY IS ORDERED

SCHOOL DIRECTORS OF ASTORIA IN FORMAL SESSION AT TAXPAYERS' MEETING DECIDE UPON THIS LIMIT FOR SCHOOLS.

The meeting of the Astoria school board and the citizens at Shively school building last night, was, as usual, but slimly attended, the entire board being present, however, with A. L. Clark, superintendent of the city schools, and clerk of the board, being present with his report for the year and in charge of the records. The following statement from the board indicates the full and final action of the meeting:

"Astoria, Ore., Dec. 18, 1906.
To the Taxpayers of School District No. 1, of Clatsop County, Oregon:
The board of directors of this school district are pleased to report that the past year has been a year of success in school matters.

"We also take pleasure in reporting the schools to be in a prosperous condition at the present time, having an enrollment of 1,409, and employing a corps of 34 teachers.

"The finances of the district are in good shape, there being a cash balance in the Bank of \$8,542.47 above all outstanding warrants, which, added to \$1,014.78 now in the hands of the county treasurer, gives the district \$9,557.25 now available, as against \$8,946.69 at this time last year.

"At a special meeting of taxpayers held on May 15, 1906, the Board of Directors was authorized to borrow \$10,000, or as much thereof as should be necessary, for the purpose of repairing and improving school buildings, the intention at that time being to move the McClure school building back and elevate it so as to permit of finishing extra school rooms, at a cost of about \$15,000. Later developments, however, proved that the ground in the back of the lot is no more solid than the ground where the building now stands, so the board decided to construct a drain around the building to carry the water from the foundation, and to cause heavy concrete piers

to be placed under the northeast corner of the building. These piers are supposed to rest on the solid soapstone. They were placed at a cost of \$1,159.70, while the drain cost \$1,025, making the total cost of the repair to that building \$2,184.70.

"As the necessity for borrowing money did not arise, the board did not make use of the authorization of the meeting of May 15, and no money was borrowed.

"The estimates of income and expenditures for the ensuing year as set forth in the clerk's report, show an estimated income of \$47,461.25, and an estimated expenditure of \$37,925.40, thus leaving a balance at the end of the year of \$9,535.85, which can be used to meet any emergency that may be likely to arise.

"This estimate is based upon a special levy of 8 mills for this district.

"Believing that the said estimate is sufficient for the maintenance of the schools of this district for one year, the board of directors recommend a tax levy of six mills for school purposes and two mills for improvements and repairs, making a total levy of eight mills.

"Very respectfully submitted,
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
(Signed.)
"By J. E. HIGGINS, Chairman."

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COMMON COUNCIL ADJOURNED SESSION

SEVERAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE SESSION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL LAST EVENING.

An adjourned session of the common council was held last evening, the mayor, city officials and all the members being present.

Bills paying the judges and clerks of election were ordered paid.

Report of the city surveyor on grades on Commercial street and Jerome avenue was adopted.

Report of A. M. Smith, city attorney for the past two years, in which he reviewed the business of the city and all litigation to which the city had been a party. He favored non-partisan politics in city affairs, showing that the city had grown and prospered under the present non-partisan administration, and paid a high compliment to the members of the common council for the fair and impartial manner in which the affairs of the city have been conducted.

Councilman Kaboth complimented the city attorney for the faithful discharge of his duties and moved that the report be placed on file. Councilman Belland also complimented the city attorney on the conduct of the business of his office and on his motion a vote of thanks was tendered to City Attorney Smith for the efficient manner in which he had conducted the duties of that office.

Logan delivered a brief address, complimenting the city attorney and alluded to the fact that he had saved the city a large sum of money in litigation. Mr. Logan was followed by Mayor Wise, on the efficient management of the office of city attorney.

Mr. Smith thanked the council for the kind words expressed by the members of the council, attesting his appreciation in a few well chosen remarks.

Ordinance confirming special assessment roll for the improvement of crossing at intersection of Sixth and Bond streets was passed.

Ordinance appropriating money for the improvement of Tenth street was

read the first and second times.

Ordinance appropriating money for the improvement of Commercial street was read first and second times.

Ordinance appropriating \$240 for Bond and Sixth street crossing was read first and second times.

Ordinance appropriating \$553 for the construction of foundation of new engine house was read the second time. Ordinance appropriating \$400 out of the general fund for the benefit of Matt Armstrong was passed.

Ordinance establishing the grade of Exchange street was passed.

Ordinance appropriating \$3,174 for improvement of Bond street for the benefit of E. A. Gerding was passed.

Ordinance appropriating \$1,137 for benefit of E. A. Gerding was passed.

Ordinance establishing the grade on Second street was passed.

Ordinance appropriating \$1,134 for the benefit of Wuoplo and Makkala for improvement of Alameda avenue was passed.

Resolution to establish the grade of Commercial from Third street to the west line of McClure's Astoria was adopted.

Resolution to establish the grade on Tenth street from Kensington to Harrison avenues was adopted.

Resolution to establish the grade on Jerome avenue from Eleventh to Fourteenth street was adopted.

Communication from the Board of School Directors, notifying the council that the school district had levied an eight mill tax, six mills for school purposes and two mills for repairs and improvements.

There being no further business, the council adjourned.

Another New Service—Manager F. P. Shea and force of expert workmen,

together with the second shipment of tools, instruments and materials, arrived in on the Roanoke on Monday, and left down the bay yesterday with a Callender steamer and scow for North Head, where the new wireless telegraph station will soon be in working order. This, the sixth, and last, of the American stations on the Pacific, will compass the entire coast territory, and the service will be practically perpetual, as three men will attend it, doing eight hour shifts constantly. The plant will include comfortable quarters for the men, and the technical equipment will be the latest and completest. The station, aside from its utility, will be another feature of deep interest for the thousands of visitors flocking to Astoria constantly through the year.

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