

24

CITY OF RENSSELAER
IN
COMMON COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY EVENING *June 28* 1938..
REGULAR MEETING.

ALDERMEN	AYES	NOES
M. ROSE	✓	
W. ALBRIGHT	✓	
V. FINN	✓	
J. DISTELL		
D. WHALEN		
J. MCGOWAN	✓	
D. BOYD	✓	
F. WHISH	✓	
E. WAUGH	✓	
W. PRATT	✓	
TOTAL		

The Council convened at 8:15 o'clock P. M. and was called to order by Pres. Rose.

The roll being called the following answered to their names.

Pres. Rose.

Alderman Albright.	Alderman McGowan
Finn	Boyd
Distell	Whish
Whalen	Waugh
Alderman Pratt.	

Alderman moved that the minutes be adopted as printed subject to correction.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR
HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND CITY OFFICES.

The Clerk reports that the Mayor had approved of all Resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Board.

Treasurers Report
Welfare Commissioners Report.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS
REMONSTRANCES AND COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS.

Alderman moved that all bills be referred to the auditing committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The auditing committee report the following bills correct.
Alderman moved that the report of the auditing committee be received and all bills be allowed and ordered paid.
Also the Street Pay roll.

X *Mr Bowers Redmond Braubly. water
Caused quite some damage by having to
take down water and is unill
This condition can be remedied out*

X *James Pickens this condition has existed for
a good many years spoiled streets*

X Mr. Wilson - Alderman. have had a chance
to see the condition. and also city eng.

Mr. Wilson Hays and Co if wall was built
would not affect the Hays property. all out lots
were able to take care of all water from the creek

Wilson quite in doubt as to ^{the} out lot ~~out~~ at the
Hays building being large enough if a wall was
built at 2nd Ave.

Perholtz. as one of the property owners in the flooded
dist. recommend city eng. Margaret creek
is not large enough to carry off flood water.

Block put in dib co. and plants filled in low
land so that there was no chance for the high
water. city raised the swamp ^{at play gate} so it is 3-6 ft
higher than original - and by the fill. forcing the water
into the streets. It may be that by building a wall
it may take care of surplus water with out some
other means of out let. in conjunction with wall
addition across Columbia St to river. Pierside are
improved. new storm water sewer ^{be} installed.

Pratt lots of snow, and sudden change of
X temperature. caused a condition which we hope will
not occur again. Top of dam 15" lower than
opening under building and if flood gates installed
and opened would return even

Mr. Harvey C. Youngmans,
City Clerk,
Pittsford, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

The undersigned
Alderman hereby direct you
to call a special meeting
of the Common Council of
Pittsford Friday evening Jan. 28,
1938 at 8:00 p.m. for the
purpose of taking such
steps as may be necessary
to act upon the flood
conditions that have
existed in the lower end
of the city.

Also that you notify
all members of the council
the Mayor Corporation Council
and City Engineer,

Walter S. Cratt

Joseph T. Distefano

Vincent D. Finis

William C. Albright

1
Mr Bowers of the Piedmont Brandy Company was given the floor and stated that the high water had done some damage at their plant and had made them move motors to keep them out of the water and then replace them after the water had receded, and feels that this condition can be easily remedied.

James Pickens stated that the condition had existed for some time back and this time he had an oil burner spoiled.

Mr Elmer Whinn of Wilson Ave stated that the Aldermen and City Eng had a chance to see the condition and that some action should be taken at once that a committee had been appointed before to investigate, and he wondered if the opening under the Haysler mill was large enough to take care of all water.

Mr Wilson of the Haysler and Sons mill stated that if a wall was built that it would not have any effect on other parts of the creek and all out lets at the mill were adequate to ~~can~~ take care of such conditions. Mr Wilson stated that the top over the dam was 4' above high tide and the same 15 miles lower than opening under building.

Mr Walter Herkholz of Pennsdc was stated as one of the property owners in the flooded dist that the sewers were not large enough, and since the Oil Co and the filling in of the Coyne memorial field, had been the means of preventing large quantities of water from flowing into these low lands so that same was from 3 to 6 ft higher than normal and caused the water to even flow into the streets, and that a new sewer should be built in Columbia St to the river.

Mr Wade of the Standard Oil Co was interested in having the present condition remedied as they had been put to much inconvenience by the high water and engineers from the Company think this could be done without a great deal of expense.

Mr Herman Koch stated that he had lived along the Creek for 43 yrs and that in 1923 the water came over the banks above the bridge, and that with fill or a wall, or by taking one foot off the top of the dam at Hughes mill would take care of the high water conditions.

Eng Hayford stated that he had represented
 the 1st ward and had looked the situation over
 quite often and felt that a wall would do no
 good, only make conditions worse in other places
 but a creek should be made over the Albany
 Southern meadows to carry off surplus water.

ald Distell stated that he believed that the
 state had a Commission to study flood
 conditions and should ask for assistance from
 them.

Eng John Druce stated that he had been sent
 to Hooper Falls by Solomon and Keyes engineers
 to make a survey of flood conditions.

Eng Hayner stated that he believed that if the
 fill were put in it would help the situation.

ald Finn moved seconded ald Albright that a
 committee of four aldermen and city eng be appointed
 to investigate the flood conditions in the city and report
 back to the Council Feb 16 - 38

ays taken about Pres appointed ald
 Finn, Albright Pratt - the Council city eng

4

old Mr. Loman reported that the conditions in the hollow was very bad and the same should be considered in this investigation -

Mr. Jones of the N G C R R. stated that no damage had been done to their property, but the fill of placed would be on their property and that some plan should be provided by which no Back up would cause damage to their property

old Wenzel stated that he had not known that this trouble laid on the N G C. Property and if such was the case that they should be held responsible and should take the necessary steps to remedy same without cost to the city.

Mr. Jones stated that they had run into a number of cases where creeks on other property had caused damage to their property, and the decision had been that the other parties were not responsible. old Wenzel was told that the bottom of the opening of the ~~structure~~ building was 15 ft higher than the top of the dam and the opening was larger than the opening at the 3rd or bridge

ald Pratt moved seconded by ald Albright that
the city Eng be and he hereby be directed to have
plans made of the improvement and three copies
of the same be forwarded to Mr Jones.

ayes all yes. what's about

ald Funn moved to adjourn

Piling 16' interior ^{15,00 ft}
 Albright eng
 Pratt trip map made of ch. by set 3 to
 Jones by C. amp.

ALDERMEN	AYES	NOES
M. ROSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
W. ALBRIGHT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
V. FINN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J. DISTELL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D. WHALEN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J. MCGOWAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D. BOYD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
F. WHISH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. WAUGH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
W. PRATT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTAL		

Waugh Pratt - ~~within~~ [→] Stunder Pass clean out
 same take out two tils and replace same with
 one large one
 Finn adyorn