

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette:
Gentlemen:

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Alex E. Burt, asking a rebate of taxes on the ground of a mistake in the valuation of five feet off the north end of lot number five, blocks one and two, in thirty six acre plot, beg leave to report that they have looked the matter over and find that no doubt a mistake did occur, and therefore would recommend a rebate of all the taxes except County and State tax, they to be paid by the petitioner. And if the petitioner has paid the tax so assessed previous to this, that the Recorder be and is hereby authorized to draw a city order for the amount of all city taxes, after deducting from said tax receipt the amount of County and State tax. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward Fraser }
A. H. Harlow } Committee
James Abfield }

On motion of Alderman Fraser, seconded by Alderman Abfield, the above report was adopted.

The committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges reported in favor of the payment for the work done by Smith and McCutcheon on Whetstone brook:

21 cubic yards of rock excavation, at \$3.00	\$63.00
102 1/2 " " " earth " " , at 25¢ per yard	25.63
	\$88.63

On motion, the bill was ordered paid, and the recorder authorized to draw city order for the same.

The report of the Committee on Police, Claims and Grievances recommended the payment of the following bills, to wit:

A. H. Stafford, stationery	\$45.05
M. M. Connell, street work	108.50
Marquette, Houghton and Ontonagon Rail Road Company, work on Champion J.; surveying done by C. H. V. Davis.	35.00
Cornelius Cune, work on Carp River Bridge.	26.50
J. Hopkins, gas fixtures in Recorder's office etc.	24.75
Edward Brader, lumber	7.81
Freeman Roe, hauling horse cart to and from horse house on Bluff Street	10.00
	over

B. Widhart,
 Thomas Cook, 3 Committee.
 Daniel Pittell 3

On motion, the report was adopted and the bills ordered paid, and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the same.

The following bills were presented and referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances.

D. H. Merritt, forging Surveyor's Ticket. \$4.00

E. J. Mapes, Services a Recorder & Librarian in 1871. 100.00

Marquette Gas Light Co. Street lamps. December. 1873. 146.00

Marquette Gas Light Co. Council rooms. " " 23.85

Thomas Smith, Cleaning Sewer on Spring Street Sewer 15.00

+ Thomas Smith, inspecting Sewer. 5.00

Jacob Wolf, three months' rent of city pound, to January 1st 1874. 25.00

Champion

C. D. Struck, plans and specifications on Champion Street Bridge 213.40

Freeman Bros. repairing Street, May 9th 1873. 1.50

Jacob Wolf, Board of prisoners 43.50

The claim of M. McConnell of \$25, for work done on Rock St. Drainage was referred to the Finance Committee.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, Seconded by Alderman Harlow, it was

Resolved, That the time for the collection of city taxes be, and the same is hereby extended thirty days from and after the first day of February next.

On motion of Alderman Cook, seconded by Alderman Atfield, it was

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby authorized to open Grove Street to the city limits.

Gas bill, \$146.00, ordered paid.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, seconded by Alderman Cook, it was

Resolved, That the bill of Thomas Smith, of \$15.00, for cleaning the Spring Street sewer, be paid, and the amount charged to Patrick Drew.

Whereupon the meeting adjourned until Monday, February 9th, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.

Joseph H. Pinneau
 Recorder.

S. H. Ely Mayor

Adopted, February, 26th 1874.

Joseph H. Pinneau,
 Recorder.

February 9th 1874.

No quorum being present, the meeting was adjourned to February 13th 1874, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Joseph A. Primeau, Recorder.

Feb 13th 1874.

No quorum being present the meeting was adjourned to Monday Evening, February 16th at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Feb 16th Meeting adjourned to Friday, February 20th 1874 at 7 1/2 o'clock.

Feb 20th 1874. Adjourned to February 26th 1874 at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M.

1874

Feb 26th

Adjourned
A special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette held at the common council room on Friday Evening, February 26th 1874. Present, Joseph A. Primeau, Recorder, Aldermen Cook, Child, Heidart, Harlow, Tuttle and Fraser — Recorder Primeau in the chair.

The meeting was called to order by the Recorder.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the preceding meetings were read and approved.

A petition of Alexander Ferguson and others, which is as follows, was presented and referred to the committee on streets, bridges, sewers and public grounds:

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: Your petitioners respectfully represent to this honorable body that they are taxpayers of the city of Marquette and earnestly desire that 800 ft of water pipe be laid in Genesee Street, between Lake and Division Streets, also 1750 feet on Hampton Street, between Lake and Cadillac Streets; that there are a large number of inhabitants and house holders to be benefited thereby and that in order to secure protection from conflagrations, that the same demands immediate attention; and your petitioners trust ever pray, etc.

The following reports of the committee on finance, taxation and gas lights were received, approved and placed on file:

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: Gentlemen — Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Scitwell, asking the council to rebate a portion of the special assessment for improvements on Washington Street, on Lots 31 and 32, to the amount of \$50. would respectfully report that they have investigated the subject as required and cannot find that the said lots are lawfully assessed. Therefore they cannot see how this council can discriminate between property owners on said street, and would not recommend a rebate of said tax or any part

thereof. But if the council thinks best to make a donation of a certain sum of money to the petitioner, it is with the council and not your committee to say. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward J. Jager
G. T. Farlow } Committee
James Otfield }

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette:
Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred the communication of John Carney asking a rebate of taxes levied on his farm of 40 acres on Section 24 would respectfully report that after an investigation and comparing the same with the taxes of others around him, find that his tax is not out of proportion to others and therefore could not recommend a rebate of taxes. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward J. Jager
G. T. Farlow } Committee
James Otfield }

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette:
Your committee to whom was referred the communication of Patrick Cooney asking a rebate of taxes on personal property assessed to him amounting in value to two hundred dollars would respectfully report that after due investigation they find that said Patrick Cooney had at the time the assessor called at his place a piano with other furniture in his house upon which he based his valuation and therefore your committee would not recommend a rebate of taxes. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward J. Jager
G. T. Farlow } Committee
James Otfield }

The report of committee on police claims and grievances has presented and adopted, and the following bills allowed and ordered paid:

Isaac Wolf, Sheriff, for board of prisoners for December, 1872	\$62.50
Same for January 1873	42.50
Marquette Gas Light Company, council rooms	22.85
Thomas Smith, inspecting sewer on Spring Street	5.00
Greenan Brothers (work for street commissioner)	1.50
J. J. Merritt forging burglar's pocket	4.00
C. S. Shuck, architect, for plans and specifications on Champion Street bridge	213.40

But of C. J. Seager of \$100. for services as recorder and librarian in 1871 was not allowed.

In regard to the claim of H. K. Connors for work done on Rock Street drainage, amounting to \$25. the committee ask for further time for

in consideration of the same, for the purpose of consulting with the city attorney.
The following bills were presented and referred to the committee on police,
claims and grievances: _____

Patrick Cleary for work done on West Stone brook

July 16th 1873

J. D. Shear and Co. Lime delivered Pine and Blane # 4.00
on Clapton Street Bridge 32.50

Joseph J. Pinnow for taking care of council room etc 30.00

Peter Hutto, insurance on library \$750 at 2 per cent 15.00

Peter White " " post house of 600 " " 12.00

Louis Niedinger, repairing sewer on Superior Street 25.62

Marquette Gas Light Co. (Jan.) council rooms 13.35

" " " " City lamps 120.80

On motion of alderman Fraser, the bill of J. D. Shear and Co.
amounting to \$32.50 was taken from the reads of the committee and
the same ordered paid. _____

The report of the board of water and fire commissioners for the year A. S.
1873 was presented and referred to the committee on finance, taxation
and gas lights. _____

Whereupon the board adjourned until Monday Evening, March 2^d 1874
at 7 o'clock P. M.

Adopted, March 2nd 1874

Joseph H. Primeau
Recorder.

Mayor

1874
March 2

At a special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette held at the Common Council ^{room} on Monday evening, March 2nd, 1874.

Present, His Honor Samuel P. Ely, Mayor, Joseph H. Primeau, Recorder, Aldermen Cook, Abfield, Harlow, Meidhart, Brittell and Fraser.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor.

The minutes of the last and preceding meeting were read and approved.

The petition of Morgan L. Hewitt asking for remission of taxes on lot 78 in Hewitt's addition, which tax, amounting to \$38.89, was paid under protest, was presented and referred to the Committee on finance, taxation and gas lights.

The following petition was presented and referred to the Committee on Streets, highways and bridges:

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

We, the undersigned inhabitants of the city of Marquette, residing north of Rock Street, in this city, would respectfully ask your honorable body that so much of the ordinance adopted by the common council relating to the fire limits and the construction of buildings therein, adopted April 4th, 1872, may be so amended as to allow owners of buildings on the north side of and fronting on Rock Street to alter and repair the same in such manner as may to said owners seem fit.

Your petitioners will say that they are many in number: that they are not in such circumstances pecuniarily as will enable them to comply with the ordinance as it now exists, and beg that due consideration may be given to this petition and as in duty bound will ever pray.

Signed,

Antoine Parbeau and others.

Dated, February 28th, 1874.

Spec
Report
of
City
Att'y

The report of the city attorney in regard to the Spring Rock Street sewer was accepted and ordered to be placed on file. The report is as follows:

To The Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

Your city attorney, to whom was referred the matter of the Spring Street sewer, begs leave to report that the power to create ordinances is conferred by section 5, on page 15 & 16 of the charter of the City of Marquette.

The powers conferred on board of health are found in ordinance 7 of the city, and are of two classes.

1st. General powers.

2nd. Special do.

Then as to the general powers; These are defined by section 3 of said ordinance, and by sections 8, 9 and 10 of Chapter 46 of the compiled laws of the State of Michigan A.D. 1871.

2nd. Special powers are defined by section 14 of ordinance 7, and are inapplicable to this case. The persons if properly notified, are liable, and the city is not. Respectfully submitted.

John L. Cochran, City Attorney.

Further time was asked by the committee on finance, taxation and gas lights, in regard to the report of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners for years 1872 & 1873. On motion further time was granted.

The following bills were presented and referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances:

L. P. Cary & Co. printing	\$13.00
Thomas Hazard, clerk of election	4.00
Robert McGill, clerk of election	4.00
James Atfield, register and inspector of election	8.00
John G. O'Keefe, register & clerk "	8.00
Edward Fraser " " inspector "	8.00
Thomas E. Cook " " " "	8.00
L. C. Palmer clerk of election Third Ward	4.00
A. McConnell " " " "	4.00
Hiram Lang " " Second "	4.00
Edward S. Hardy, Inspector " Third "	4.00
George W. Richards clerk of election " "	4.00

The report of the committee on police, claims and grievances was received and accepted and the following bills allowed, to wit:

Peter White, Insurance on library and furniture in recording office \$750. @ 2%	\$15.00
Peter White Insurance on pest house, \$600 @ 2%	12.00

Marquette Gas Light Co. February. \$ 134.65
 J. A. Primeau, recorder, for taking care of
 council room, etc. 30.94.
 Patrick Clary, mason work on Thetstone
 brook, July 16th, 1874. 3.00
 The claim of \$25.62. of Louis Reidinger, for
 repairing sewer on Superior Street, was referred
 to the water board.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, seconded by Alderman
 Cook, it was

Resolved, That the Street Committee be and are
 hereby authorized and instructed to proceed at once
 to complete the few remaining points of Spring Street
 sewer and charge the same to Patrick Drew, and then
 to accept of the same.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, seconded by Alder-
 man Harlow, it was

Resolved, That the committee on finance, taxation
 and gas lights be and are hereby authorized and instructed
 to proceed at once, by legal or any other means that
 may appear to them for the best interest of the city,
 to collect any or all moneys due the city on
 special assessment rolls of said city, and to report
 progress to this council at the next meeting.

Whereupon, the Board adjourned until Monday evening
 March 16th, 1874, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.

Approved and adopted March 16th 1874.

Joseph A. Primeau
 Recorder

S. A. Kelly Mayor.

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March 4

At a special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette, held at the Common Council room, on Wednesday evening, March 4th, 1874.

Present, His Honor, Samuel P. Ely, Mayor,
Joseph H. Primeau, Recorder.

Aldermen, Cook, Atfield, Midhart, Harlow, Puttall and Fraser.

Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

The finance committee made the following reports:

To The Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette: Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred the report of the city treasurer for the year ending March 2nd, 1874, would beg leave to report that they have examined said report and accounts, and find the same correct, and herewith submit the report and recommend the same to be accepted and placed on file. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward Fraser

A. R. Harlow

James Atfield

Committee

On motion the report was adopted and ordered published. The following is the report.

To the Honorable the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

In accordance with the provisions of your city charter, I beg leave to submit the following report, showing the receipts and disbursements of your city for the year ending March 2nd, 1874.

Receipts.

Balance on hand at last settlement	\$20.554	70
" due from township " "	274	20
From State for primary school fund	636	51
From Fines	677	60
From licenses	1120	21
For broken lamp post	25	00
Amount of delinquent taxes returned to county treasurer	8.493	66
Amount of delinquent taxes of 1872 collected	1104	39
Forward	32886	27

Receipts. amount forward

Interest on delinquent taxes of 1872 collected			32886	27
			46	41
General taxes assessed for 1873, viz:				
State tax	2196.00			
County tax	14500.00			
General Fund	8251.87			
Highway Fund	8277.60			
Water Fund	26500.00			
School Fund	21366.23		81091	70
Amount of special assessments collected			3133	53

Disbursements

Paid State and County taxes of 1872.	15266	11		
" water fund of 1872	1762	67		
" Primary School Fund	636	51		
" School Fund, 1873.	15000	00		
" Highway fund orders	10721	82		
" Champion Street Improvements orders	3671	72		
" Spring Street Sewer orders	888	12		
" Special Improvement orders	510	95		
" Water Fund orders	16256	93		
" Library Fund orders	923	45		
" General Fund orders 81949.85	11711	54		
	81949	85		
Amount due on tax roll 1873	11125	70		
Balance on hand including C. orders	24082	36		
	117157	91	117157	91

Assets.

Taxes for 1873. due and payable	11125	70		
Taxes " 1872	595	29		
Cash and County orders on hand	23767	36		
Special improvement fund over paid	1977	42		
General fund overpaid	204	93	37670	70

Liabilities

Due State and County taxes 1873.	16,696	00		
Highway fund	4,365	40		
Water fund	10,243	07		
School fund	6,366	23		
	37,670	70		

Special assessments for Grading and Macadamizing

	amount of Tax	Amount collected	amount due
Superior Street	884. 98	343. 99	540. 99
Seventh Street	426. 02	132. 54	293. 48
Grove Street	2,544. 00	574. 33	1,969. 67
Ridge Street from 4 th . west	624. 35	111. 87	512. 48
Ridge Street from Front to 4 th .	1,027. 35	748. 80	278. 55
Pine Street	750. 90	442. 00	308. 90
Washington Street, paid by city			
Marshal	780. 00	780. 00	
	7,037. 60	3,133. 53	3,904. 07

Amount of general tax for 1873.

81.091 70

Balance due

69.966 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Francis M. Moore.

City Treasurer.

Marquette, March 4th, 1874.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette — Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Fire and Water Commissioners for the years ending Dec 31st. 1872, and Dec 31st. 1873, would respectfully report to your honorable body that they have examined the same and find them correct, and recommend the same to be published. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward Fraser.

A. R. Harlow

James Abfield } Committee.

On motion, the report was accepted, adopted and ordered published. The reports are as follows:

Office of the
 Board of Fire and Water Commissioners
Marquette, January 23rd. 1873.

To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Marquette:— Pursuant to law the Board of Fire and Water Commissioners respectfully submit the following statement of their operations for the year ending December 31st. 1872. being their fourth annual report.

Financial

The board are pleased to announce that they are free from any floating indebtedness.

The receipts for the year were as follows:

Cash on hand in bank Dec 31, 1872.	4006	34
Received from Water rates	5801	91
Received from City treasurer (taxes)	20314	10
Received from service connections	669	96
Received from sale of Coal	10	56
Total receipts	\$30,802. 87	

Expenditures

The expenditures for the year were as follows.

For Interest		
Amount due January 1 st . 1872.	3,250	00
Amount due July 1 st 1872.	3,250	00
Premium on gold, exchange and Commissions.	597	00
Amount due January 1 st . 1873.	3,250	00
Premium on gold, exchange and Commissions.	273	00
Current discount and interest	634	26
	\$11,254. 26	

Over

Operating Expenses.

Paid for pumping	\$ 7.533	71
Paid for machinery repairs	4.27	14
Paid for general repairs	2.037	93
Paid for fire department expenses.	3.97	31
Paid for office expenses	3.60	75
Paid for tools	85	30
Paid for Machinery account	5	60
Paid for pipe	66	98
Paid for repairs at engine house	37	29
Paid for service pipes, cocks, &c.	1.730	85
Paid bills payable	6.855	86
On Deposit First National Bank	4	69
Cash on hand	5	20
	<u>\$30.802.87</u>	

Ledger Balance Sheet December, 31st 1872.

Machinery.	\$28.185	85		
Pipe laying and trenching.	39.425	87		
Hydants.	2.810	71		
Engine house, well and inlt.	6.983	12		
Hose carts and hose.	2.311	24		
Hose house No. 1.	296	64		
Hose house No. 2.	857	50		
Ward engine account.	12	10		
Fire department expenses.	4.22	61		
General expense account.	1.613	68		
Pumping expense account.	22.044	86		
Service pipes, cocks, &c.	924	90		
Interest account.	23.610	06		
First National bank.	4	69		
General repairs.	3.588	93		
Engine repairs.	1.396	11		
Tool account.	4.42	79		
Cash.	5	20		
Water rates.			13.174	77
City of Marquette - taxes.			41.756	09
Bond account - 7 percent gold.			50.000	00
10 per cent. currency			30.000	00
	<u>134.930</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>134.930</u>	<u>86</u>

Operating Expenses.

The cost of operating the works was considerably greater than during the previous year. This is accounted for in part by the greater quantity of water delivered, but principally through the increased cost of fuel and the large general repairs. More difficulty has been experienced through the breakage of pipes and separations of the joints the past year during the whole previous history of the works. Particularly has his trouble been exhibited in the main pipe leading from the engine house to the top of the hill at Cedar street. In addition to the great strain on the pipes, caused by the water pressure, the yielding character of the ground in which the pipe is laid at this point and the inclination of the ground being so great, has added the weight of the pipes to the ordinary strain of the water pressure on the joints, and at several different times the pipes have drawn apart at the joints.

The board hope that they have now overcome this particular trouble in securing the pipes in place more firmly.

In estimating the cost of pumping for the year there should be taken into account the amount of coal and other supplies on hand at the beginning of the year. The account will stand thus:

Cost of Pumping.

Coal on hand January 1 st 1872. - 301.588 - 2000 lbs.	\$1886.09
Coal purchased and used since	574 374 - 2000 . 5784.27
Total.	875967. 2000 lbs. \$5670.36
Hauling same	459.82
Sallow, oil and waste	697.72
Repairs to Machinery	427.14
Engineers Salaries	2,536.00
	<u>\$9,811.04</u>

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Other Expenses.

Amount of cost of pumping, forward. \$9,811.04

Repairs to pipes, hydrants, chawing frozen mains, etc.	\$ 2,037.93	
Fire Department	397.31	
Tools	85.30	
Repairs on engine house	37.29	2557.83
Total operating expenses	— — —	\$12,368.87
Average daily expense		33.79

" " Consumption of coal, 1872.

11,797 lbs. per day

Average consumption of coal 1871, 3,394

lbs. per day = 1872 - 4797

1871 - 3394

Increase 1,403 lbs.

Average daily expense of pumping (exclusive of repairs) 1872. \$25.63

Average daily expense of pumping (exclusive of repairs,) 1871. \$19.96

\$25.63

19.96

Increase

\$5.67

Water Consumers.

The total number of water takers at the date of the last annual report was. 271

Number added during the year. 72

Total 343

Number discontinued during the year. 6

Total 337

The purposes for which water is taken are shown in the following table:

Dwellings		245
Stores		26
Hotels		5
Saloons		28
Offices		7
Banks		2
Manufacturing purposes		5
Livery Stables		2

Forward

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Amount of purposes for which water is taken -	
Carried over	320
Barns	2
Printing offices	1
Convents	1
Bakeries	2
Breweries	1
Meat Markets	3
Barber Shops	3
Court house & jail	2
Photograph galleries	1
Gas works	1
Total	337

Improvements.

Improvements have been limited to the laying of a small amount of new pipe. In fact the board have not had means to make such improvements at the pumping works as they have known to be absolutely necessary. The engine and pump in use have been run constantly, night and day, for three years without interruption, only sufficient to make absolutely needed repairs, and without which a supply of water could not be furnished. But the time has come when some provisions must be made for duplicate machinery, sufficient, sufficient to permit the stoppage for repairs of any part requiring it. The city having authorized the issue of \$20,000 of additional water bonds, the board propose to use this sum in improving the pumping facilities, and in laying new pipes on the streets requiring them. The hose carts have been mounted on runners for winter, and the board have adopted the principle of employing five men to each company, at a small salary, whose duty it will be to keep the hose and carts in order and have the immediate management of the same at fires. It is believed by the board that this plan will add materially to the efficiency of our fire department.

New Pipe

Six hundred and seventy-four feet of new pipe has been laid as follows:

250 feet $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pipe in Spruce Street.
 200 " $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pipe in Front, between Ridge and Bluff Streets.
 200 feet 1-inch pipe in Fourth Street, between Bluff and Washington Streets.
 24 feet 4 inch pipe in Arch Street, between High and Pine Streets.

Distributing Pipes.

The aggregate length of distributing pipes now laid is as follows:

12-inch pipe	1132 feet
8-inch pipe	5162 "
6-inch pipe	2316 "
4-inch pipe	19957 "
3-inch pipe	1000 "
2-inch pipe	690 "
$1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pipe	450 "
1-inch pipe	200 "
Total.	30,207 Feet

Total number of fire hydrants	45
Total number of private fire hydrants	23

Fires.

The city has been remarkably exempt from fires during the year. In fact there has been none of great loss, though it is scarcely questionable that serious consequences to the railroad, ore dock, and the Cleveland Company's dock would have resulted from the fire of June 12th, but for service rendered by the water works on that occasion. A list of fires is given below:

April 14th, 1872, dwelling on Washington Street owned by Mr. Bracker
 loss, \$300. no insurance.
 June 12th 1872, hay shed on Lake Street, owned by P. O'Brien
 and Co. loss, \$4,000. no insurance

The present officers and employes of the board, and the salaries paid are as follows:

President. William L. Wetmore
 Secretary and Treasurer. Hiram A. Durb.
 Superintendent and Chief Engineer. R. A. Merritt.
 Clerk. H. A. Downs. Salary \$300.
 First Engineer - John T. McGregor. Salary \$2.50 per diem.
 First Assistant Engineer. John Christie, salary 2.50 per diem.
 Repairer - Philip Morgan, salary \$300 per diem.
 All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. L. Wetmore
 Hiram A. Durb.
 R. A. Merritt.
 Peter White
 Commissioners

Office of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners

To the Honorable the Common Council of the
 City of Marquette:

In obedience to the requirements of law the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31st, 1873, the same being their fifth annual report:

Receipts and Expenditures

The receipts and expenditures for the year 1873, have been as follows:

Receipts

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Receipts

From water rates	9.338	91		
From city of Marquette, taxes, balance of amount raised in 1872.	\$2.991.76			
Drawn from amount raised in 1873.	13.256.93	16.248	69	
From bonds issued July 1 st , 1873.	20.000	00		
From service cocks	1.171	82		
From sale of scrap iron	222	09		
From rent of dwelling house	45	84		
From sale of pipe	3	20	47.030	35
Cash on hand and in bank Jan ¹ 1873			9.89	
			\$47.040	44

Expenditures

Operating Expenses

Pumping	13.305	74		
Service cocks	1.164	40		
General expense account	1.211	70		
Machinery repairs	608	22		
General repairs	1.052	29		
Office expense	382	27		
Fire department	1.320	63		
Tools	65	16		
			\$19.112	41

Improvements

Machinery	12.725	05		
Pipe Extension	2.981	28		
Hydrants	90	00		
Dwelling houses	730	50		
Engine House	517	52		
Base House No. 1.	6	00		
Dock.	567	39	18.617	54
			\$18.617	54

Interest Account

Amount due July 1 st 1873.	3250	00		
Premium on gold, exchange and Commissions, one per cent.	325	00		
Amount due January 1 st 1874.	4250	00		
Premium on gold, exchange and commissions	350	00		
Current discounts and interests	532	65		
Steam boiler insurance	37	50	8.745	15
Cash on hand and in bank January 1 st 1874.			565	34
			\$47,040.44	

The income from the works, and operating expenses,
more in detail, are as follows:

Receipts

From water rates, term ending Nov 1 st 1873.	4430	44		
From water rates, term ending May 1 st 1874.	3382	72		
From penalties	174	65		
From water for building purposes	180	48		
From Grace Furnace, for water and use of hoist.	50	00		
From filling Steamboat boilers	6	00		
From service cocks	1171	82		
Due for water rates	110.83			
	234	34		
Due for water for building purposes	345	17		
Total income	9741	28		
Back water rates collected	1114	62	\$10855.90	

Operating Expenses

Pumping account

1446 1416 475-2,000 tons coal	\$10,603.24
Oil, tallow, packing etc.	455.24
Engineer's salaries	2247.26
	13,305.74
Left coal on hand 250 tons	1830.00
	11,475.74

Service Cocks

Service pipe, stop cocks and fittings \$647.51
 Labor laying same 516.89 \$1,164.40

General Expenses

Superintendent's Salary	650	00		
Plank for boxing mains and gate boxes	155	38		
Planing	51	55		
Painting	24	05		
Incidental expenses	330	72	12	11 70
Machinery repairs			608	22

General repairs

Labor	512	95		
Material	541	34		
			1054	29

Office expenses

Secretary's Salary	300	00		
Furniture and Stationery	82	27	382	27

Fire Department

Night men and horses at hose houses	562	64		
Shirts, Caps, &c. for hose Co. No 2.	132	62		
Rubber coats	18	00		
Three pairs sleighs	126	75		
Ladders, chains, hooks & axes	142	58		
Two stoves, pipes, &c.	64	70		
Coal	52	50		
Drawing hose cart to fires	60	00		
Putting shafts in hose cart	20	00		
Repairing hydrants	32	00		
Thawing out hose	22	00		
Incidental expenses	86	84	1320	63
Tools			65	16
			<u>\$17,282</u>	<u>41</u>

Total operating expense 17,282.41
 Total receipts 10,855.99
Deficit. \$6,426.42

You will observe that the increased cost of operating is principally in the item of coal, and is due in part to the increased cost, and in part to the quantity, which last is caused partly by the greater number of water takers - which, as you will learn from the accompanying table is much larger than last year) - and to the fact that not only are the Holly gang pumps of too small capacity to furnish economically the increased domestic supply demanded throughout the summer months, a high rate of speed and consequent increased consumption of coal being made necessary to maintain the required pressure. But, both engines and pumps, from having been in constant use for nearly four years, without other repairs than those hastily and at times imperfectly made, that the stoppage incident thereto might be as short as possible, have, and have during the past season been so badly out of repair that their working has been attended by loss of power and consequent waste of fuel. As a new engine and set of pumps were under contract, which it was expected would be completed early in October, it was deemed advisable to defer repairing the old machinery until the new was in place, thus avoiding a stoppage of some weeks.

The item of general repairs is somewhat increased by reason of the expense attending the repairing of the damage done by the flood of July 16th, some hundred feet of pipe having been washed away near the gas works, and seventy five feet at Whetstone Brook, and the surface was washed off the main at several points throughout the city.

Last year much trouble was caused and expense incurred by joints leaking in the main pipe; this year we have to report but little trouble from that source.

The winter, thus far, having been extremely mild, no trouble has been experienced from frost.

Balance Sheet

as.
Per Face of Ledger Dec. 31, 1873.

Machinery account	40.910	00	
Pipe and Pipe laying	42.403	95	
Hydrant account	5.900	71	
Dwelling house	684	46	
Engine house	7.500	64	
Hose account	2311	24	
Hose house No 2.	851	50	
Tool account	507	95	
Hand Engine	12	10	
Fire department	2043	24	
General expense	2825	38	
Pumping expense	35350	60	
Service cocks	910	93	
Interest and exchange	32317	71	
Office expense	382	27	
General repairs	4343	22	
Machinery repairs	1782	24	
Hose House. No 1	302	64	
Dock	1567	39	
Boiler Insurance	37	50	
M & P Rolling Mill Co	6	00	
M. H & O R R. Co	222	09	
Cash First National Bank	141	23	
Cash	424	11	
Water rates		22.513	60
City of Marquette		58.004	78
Bonds of		100.000	00
Iron Bay Foundry		221	62
	\$180.740.00	\$180.740.00	

The following statement shows the entire receipts and expenditures of the board from the inception of the work, December, 1869, to January 1st, 1874:

Receipts.

7 per cent. gold bonds issued January 1 st , 1870	56.000		
10 per cent. currency bonds issued Nov. 15 th 1870.	30.000		
10 per cent. currency bonds issued July, 1872.	20.000	100.000	00
Special tax levied in 1869.	521	86	
Special tax levied in 1870.	8420	63	
Special tax levied in 1871.	12.500	00	
Special tax levied in 1872.	23.305	86	
Special tax levied in 1873.	26.500	00	
	\$71.247.85		
Still remaining in the city treasury	13.243.07	58.004	78
Water rates collected in 1870.	2107	50	
Water rates collected in 1871.	5325	36	
Water rates collected in 1872.	5801	91	
Water rates collected in 1873.	9338	91	
	\$22.573.68		
Lease amount repaid	60	08	22513.60
Rent of Dwelling house	45.	84	
Bills payable	221.	62	267.46
Total receipts.	\$180.785.84		

Expenditures

Paid for engine house, well ^{and} inlet			7.500	64
Paid Holly Mfg. Co for engine boiler, gang and rotary pumps	22.093	50		
Freight and insurance on same	762	07		
Pulping foundation and setting up same	1.932	05		
Boiler ^{and} Boiler house put up in 1871.	3398	23		
Freight on rotary pump	104	55		
Rebuilding upright boiler	2.206	46		
New engine and gang pumps	9664	07		
Foundation stone and placing same	508	97		
Fire brick, grate, bars, gauges and labor	2.41	00	40.910	90
Main and distributing pipe, and laying same			42.403	95
Fire hydrants and setting same			2900	71
Dwelling house for Engineer			730	30
Two improved hose cart	450	00		
10.00 carbolized hose, couplings, butts, &c.	1861	24	2311	24
Hose house and lot on Bluff street			851	50
Tools			507	95
Repairs on hand engine			12	10
Equipments for and maintenance of fire department			2043	24
General expense, as superintendence &c.			2825	38
Pumping expense - coal, engineer's salaries and engine house supplies			35350	
			35350	60
* Service pipe, stop cocks and fittings, except over receipts from that source			910	93.
Cost of placing bonds	3100	00		
Interest, premium on gold, exchange				
Commissions and discounts	29217	71	32.317	71
Office expense			382	27
General repairs labor and material			4.343	22
Repairs to machinery			1.782	24
Raising and repairing hose house No 1			302	64
Material for a dock at works			1.567	39
Insured on steam boilers			37	50
Outstanding account			228	09
Cash on hand and in bank			565	34
			180.785	84

The bonds issued bear interest and full due as follows:
 \$50,000 issued Jan 1st 1870, bear 7 per cent interest, principal
 and interest payable in gold, and full due -

Jan 1st 1870.

\$10,000.00

Full due Jan 1st 1885.

15,000.00

Full due Jan 1st 1890.

25,000.00

\$50,000.00

\$30,000 issued Nov 15, 1870 full due

Nov 15th 1875.

30,000.00

20,000 issued July 1st 1873, full due

July 1st 1888

20,000.00

50,000.00

\$100,000.00

The issues of November, 1870, and of July, 1873, bear
 interest at ten per cent, principal and interest payable
 in currency.

Water Consumers.

The number of water taxers, and purposes for
 which water is used, are as follow:

Families	1140	Flaming Mill	1
Stores	30	On Docks	2
Saloons	33	Ware houses.	2
Offices	9	Livery Stables.	2
Meat Market	4	Public Halls.	1
Hotels	5	Gas works.	1
Banks	3	Coments	1
Barber Shops	4	Jail	1
Barns	9	Court house	1
Shoe Shops	2	Photograph gallery	1
Sleeping rooms	10	Pap factory	1
Churches	1	Sailor Shop	1
Foundries	1	Brewery	1
Restaurant	1	Blacksmith shop	1
Bakery	1	Railroad Companies	1
Cigar Factory	1	Skating	1
Printing Offices	2	Rolling mill	1
			576

The following table shows the number of water taken, income and average daily pumping expense per day for each year the works have been in operation:

Date	No of Permits paid	No. of Water taken	Income	Average No. lbs of coal used per day	Average cost of pumping per day.
1870	152	173	\$2,107.56	2618	\$16.86
1871	85	271	5,325.36	3,394	19.96
1872	58	337	6,471.87	4,797	28.63
1873	82	576	9,751.17	6,400	31.87

Improvements - Machinery

The Holly gangs pumps having proved of insufficient capacity to supply, during the summer months, the greatly increased demand for domestic purposes - the fire pump having frequently to be called into use to maintain the supply - and as the need of a duplicate engine had become apparent, that proper repairs might be made to engine and machinery without the stoppage attendant thereto with but one engine, and of which the present damaged condition of the engine and machinery now in use, resulting from repairs neglected or hastily and imperfectly made, & at the stoppage incident thereto might be avoided, or as brief as possible is proof, that the works might not be powerless for days in case of accident to machinery, which might occur with but one set, and believing that the most important consideration in this matter of fire protection and water supply, for which our city has expended so large a sum, and upon which nearly all depend to be the power, (the engine and machinery) that these should be being kept in perfect repair, and so arranged & perfected that in case one set became disabled, another could, without a moment's delay, take up the pressure - be made as near absolutely reliable as possible, and knowing that with but the old machinery the works were not in this condition, that in case of accident at the time of fire (at which time, when under fire pressure, machinery is most liable to become disabled the works would be powerless, and the city (notwithstanding the thousands it has expended for a fire protection) would be at the mercy of the flames, your commission,

determined upon putting in a set of pumps and engine to drive the same, entirely independent of the old machinery; so that an accident to one set would in no wise affect the other.

To this end, after learning that similar pumps manufactured by D. H. Merritt were giving entire satisfaction when in use, a contract was made with him to put in a set of eight twelve-inch double-acting pumps, and engine to drive the same, to cost, complete with all connections, \$9,664.07. These pumps are now in place and nearly ready for use.

The Holly boiler, which had become unserviceable, has been rebuilt, new heads and new direct flues having been put in, and the capacity increased by lengthening. It is now considered as good as new.

This, upon the completion of the new machinery, will give two entire sets of boiler, engine and pumps, so arranged that an accident to one will not affect the other, and both being amply sufficient to supply water in case of fire.

Buildings.

A small addition to the engine house, in which to place the new engine, being found necessary, it was built at a cost of about \$100.⁰⁰

As was proposed in the report last year, a dwelling house, to be occupied by the engineer, has been erected convenient to the works, at a cost of \$700; for which rent is charged sufficient to return a fair interest on the cost.

Material is upon the ground for a dock such as will allow vessel to discharge their coal at the works, which will effect a saving of towing and handling to the amount of six or seven hundred dollars per year.

Pipe Extensions.

New pipe has been laid the past year as follows:

The $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pipe on Spruce Street has been taken up and replaced with 3 inch.

350 feet 3 inch. on Spruce Street, from Arch to Michigan
200 feet 3 inch. on Fisher Street from Fourth Street west.

404 feet 4-inch on Fisher Street, from Fourth Street East,
 516 feet 4-inch on Bluff Street, from Sixth to Seventh.
 528 feet 4-inch on Fourth Street, from Ridge to Michigan
 320 feet 4-inch on Michigan Street, from Fourth Street
 East.
 304 feet 4-inch on Arch Street, from Fourth Street West.
 280 feet 1 1/2 and 3/4 inch on Front Street, from Fisher
 Street north.
 80 Feet 3/4-inch on Arch Street, from High Street West.
 2979 Feet.

Cost of pipe and laying, 4-inch, 85 cents per foot.

Cost of pipe and laying, 3-inch 63 cents per foot.

The total amount of pipe now laid is.

12-inch	432 feet
8-inch	516 "
6-inch	2,316 "
4-inch	22,026 "
3-inch	1,550 "
2-inch	690 "
1 1/2-inch	450 "
1-inch	200 "
3/4-inch	180 "
Total	33,006

Hydrants

New double fire hydrants have been set as follows.
 1 corner of Michigan and Spruce Streets
 1 corner of Michigan and Fourth Streets
 1 corner of Bluff and Seventh Streets
 Total number fire hydrants 48.

Fires

The board are pleased to report that no fires worthy of mention have occurred during the year.

Since May 1st the Machinery has been very satisfactorily run (under contract by Mr. Olds for \$2000.00 a year.

All tappings, repairs to mains, thawing out frozen mains and hydrants, &c. has also been done under contract by Philip Morgan, for \$1400 per year.

The present officers of the board are:
 President, W. L. Wetmore.
 Treasurer, Jay C. Morse.
 Superintendent and Secretary - H. E. Warner, salary \$1200.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) W. L. Wetmore,
 President.

H. E. Warner, Secretary.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common
 Council of the City of Marquette: Gentlemen -

Your Committee to whom was referred the
 report of the City Recorder beg leave to report
 that they have examined and find the same
 correct, and recommend that it be accepted
 and ordered printed.

Edward Truesdell
 A. P. Karlow } Committee,
 James Atfield }

The report was accordingly adopted and the
 statement which is as follows, ordered printed.

Statement of Orders Drawn on the City
 Treasurer from March 5th 1873 to

February 24th 1874

To the Honorable the Mayor ^{and} the Common Council of the City of Marquette: I have the honor to report the following orders drawn on the City Treasurer and the purpose for which they were drawn

Expense Account.

1873

March	5	Printing, Mining Journal	✓	129	25
"	17	Election, G. W. Pithill	✓	9	00
"	"	" S. G. Cole	✓	3	00
April	1	J. Dolf, rent of pound	✓	25	00
May	28	Election expenses, inspectors	✓	57	00
"	"	" " " "	✓	12	00
"	"	Insurance ^{and} Telegraph	✓	27	27
June	6	Safe for Recorder's office	✓	299	60
"	18	Hauling stone on Washington			
"	"	street, C. N. Taylor	✓	6	00
"	20	Election of F. E. Cook	✓	6	00
"	23	" " J. W. Atfield	✓	6	00
"	"	Printing Harbor Ordinance M. H. H. H.	✓	5	50
"	24	J. Pickands ^{and} Co. coal Recorder's office	✓	5	00
"	28	G. W. Conklin, Police badges	✓	76	00
"	30	Scoville ^{and} Johnson, gas fixtures	✓	23	80
July	1	H. H. Clafford, Stationery	✓	73	05
"	2	Printing, Mining Journal	✓	184	50
"	2	Whitewashing Council Room	✓	15	00
"	"	Rent, J. Moore	✓	175	00
"	"	Election of J. Moore	✓	36	00
"	"	Mahon ^{and} Wyckoff bill furniture etc	✓	18	50
"	"	Election of E. Fraser	✓	8	00
"	"	Election of J. Craig	✓	9	00
"	"	Hauling safe Freeman Bros	✓	15	00
"	8	Coal oil, Murray ^{and} Robbins	✓	2	45
"	15	J. H. Dinnan, cleaning Council room etc	✓	5	25
"	29	Election of S. G. Cole	✓	9	00
"	"	Night police, J. A. French	✓	162	00
"	"	E. J. Hardy, harbor master	✓	0	00
Aug	6	Murray ^{and} Robbins oil, etc.	✓	3	20
Sept	4	J. H. Wyckoff & Co. book and	✓	47	20
"	8	S. C. Palmer	✓	6	00
"	11	Dinnacomb ^{and} Cundy work on			
		library cases		47	50
		Forward.	✓	1567	07

1873

Amount from Page 231			1567 07
October	1	Rent Council Rooms, J. Moore	175
"	7	Printing, Mining Journal	122 50
"	8	E. Walters, overseer of city prisoners	170
"	"	O. M. Everett and Son, Powder	20
"	21	Printing, L. P. Crary and Co.	4 50
Nov	18	E. Walters overseer of city prisoners	33 50
"	"	J. Moriarty, varnishing library cases etc	15 00
"	"	Printing, L. P. Crary and Co.	5 50
"	24	Coal box, Recorder's office	12 00
Dec	4	Spear & Co. coal recorder's office	37 05
"	11	L. P. Crary and Co. Printing	11 00
"	13	J. Hopkins, work on street lamps	21 30
"	30	L. P. Crary & Co. Printing	10 50
"	"	Spear and Co. coal up office	42 00
"	"	Printing, ^{Charles} Mining Journal	249 60
"	"	" " "	77 25
1874	27	H. K. Stafford, Stationery	43 05
Feb	5	Drummond Ave. hauling road	
"	"	Carbon Cliff Street.	10 00
"	10	J. Hopkins, gas fixtures in	
"	"	Recorder's office, &c.	24 75
"	24	Richmonds and Backus, dog licenses	6 00
Total			\$ 2597 57

Salary Account

1873.

April	1	General Fund, J. S. Whiting, Marshal	295 00
"	"	H. E. " S. E. Church, Recorder	125
"	"	" " J. E. Dalliba, City Atty	125
"	"	" " D. H. Ball, supervisor	109
May	3	" " E. J. Hardy, harbor master	52
June	6	" " do do do	54
"	"	" " S. E. Church, balance	52 08
"	17	" " J. E. Dalliba, do	46 66
"	30	" " Jno A French, N. Police	105 00
July	1	" " E. J. Hardy, Harbor Master	50 00
"	15	" " J. S. Whiting Police	285 00
Aug	1	" " E. J. Hardy, harbor Master	54 00
Forward.			\$ 1352 74

1873 *Salary account.*

		Amount brought forward	1352	74
August	23	General Fund. Sidney Adams, assessor	375	
"	26	General Fund. J. Q. Rundle, marshal	278	48
September	2	" " E. S. Hardy, harbor master	52	
"	5	" " Jno. L. Cochran, Attorney	200	
"	30	" " E. S. Hardy, harbor master	52	
Nov	1	" " E. S. Hardy, " "	54	
"	18	" " Jno. A. French, police	276	
"	18	" " J. Q. Rundle, marshal	299	
"	"	" " J. S. Whiting, night police	369	
"	"	" " S. Adams, assessor	375	
"	29	" " E. S. Hardy, harbor master	50	
Dec	2	" " J. S. Whiting, Police	9	
"	"	" " J. A. French	91	
"	"	" " J. H. Primeau, Recorder	41	50
"	10	" " J. A. French, police	11	00
"	24	" " J. H. Primeau, Recorder	101	90
"	30	" " S. Adams, Assessor	141	66
"	"	" " E. D. Palmer, assessor	238	34
1874	31	" " J. L. Cochran, atty.	200	60
Jan	21	" " J. L. Cochran, atty.	200	
Feb	20	" " J. H. Primeau, Rec	200	
"	"	" " "	4952	22

1873

Street Commissioner's Ac.

1873	May	4	Highway Fund to M. McConnell	\$ 236 ✓
	June	17	" " " "	323 ✓
	July	2	" " " " order 293	138 ✓
	"	16	" " " " work on	
	"	"	Rock Street, order 311.	75 ✓
	"	17	Highway Fund to James Rowe, hauling dirt, order 314.	350 ✓
	"	30	Highway fund to M. McConnell - order 322.	59 ✓
August	12		Highway fund to M. McConnell, order 320.	378 ✓
"	26		" " " " cleaning	
"	"		Front street in Front Park Building	33 00 ✓
"	"		Highway Fund to M. McConnell, work done	
"	"		on Rock street sewer order, No 338	108 00 ✓
"	"		Highway fund to street Commissioner for teaming on Lake and Third street, order 339	170 00 ✓
October	7		James Pickands & Co order 361	24 78 ✓
"	14		Highway fund to Balchassar Midhank, order 396	64 59 ✓
November	21		Highway fund to M. McConnell order 552	54 ✓
"	"		" " " " order 523	31 ✓
"	"		" " " " order 524	30 ✓
"	9		" " " " order 533	67 ✓
"	"		" " " " order 534	50 ✓
"	"		" " " " order 535	50 ✓
"	"		" " " " order 536	50 ✓
Dec	16		" to Jno - order 537	107 75 ✓
December	23		" to Jno McCale	
"	"		repairing tools, order 556.	230 ✓
"	24		Highway fund to A. R. Harlow, order 558	1191 78 ✓
Jan	27		Highway fund to M. McConnell order 614	35 00 ✓
"	"		" " " " order 615	32 28 ✓
Total				3313 98

Police Account.

1873	April	2	General Fund to J. J. Murphy, Detective	\$ 308.45
	July	1	General Fund - Reither 12.00 Williamis 12.00	24 00
		2	B. Flynn Cleaning C. Rooms	3 00
Total				335 45

1873 City Surveyor's Account

July	2	Highway fund to surveying instruments	214	65
"	17	" " E. P. Cummings services	136	00
"	29	" " T. T. Reed, assisting E. P. Palmer	73	84
"	18	Highway fund to M. T. Crocker, assisting E. P. Palmer	30	00
Dec	30	" " to M. T. Crocker, assisting E. P. Palmer	8	00
Sept	3	Highway fund to T. T. Reed, assisting E. P. Palmer	41	00
Total			503	49

County Jail Account

1873	June	3	General fund, board of prisoners J. Wolf	183	15 ✓
	July	2	" " " " " "	141	00 ✓
	"	30	" " " " " " Chas. Crowley	114	77 ✓

Balance of old Account.

Aug	12	General fund J. Wolf, board of prisoners	167	30 ✓
Sept	13	" " J. Wolf " "	166	50 ✓
Oct	7	" " J. Wolf " "	168	75 ✓
"	18	" " " " " "	186	00 ✓
Dec	16	" " " " " "	145	75 ✓
"	30	" " " " " "	105	00 ✓

Ridge Street Improvement

1873					
July	30	Highway Order to R. R. Finch for Macadamizing Ridge Street, from Front Street to Fourth Street	900	00	
November	21	Highway order to S. Adams for macadamizing Ridge street, from Fourth Street 500 feet west	74	02	
Dec	30	Same to same -	307	00	
"	"	"	242	98	
Total			\$1524		

Carp River Bridge

1873			
June	18	Highway order to L. D. Harvey, lumber	9. 63
"	27	Highway order to Grace Furnace use of scum	15. 00
July	7	Highway order to D. H. Morrill, castings	48. 58
"	5	" " " C. Miller, blacksmith work	2. 50
August	12	" " " E. Frazer, lumber & lumber	399. 02
Sept	23	" " " S. W. Joslin, Labor	52. 67
October	7	" " " O. F. Stuck, Plans, etc.	95. 00
January	27	" " " Geo. Cornelius, Plans	26. 50
Total			648. 70

County of Marquette

1873			
August	12	General Fund, paid G. N. Fisher for washing dead body.	5. 00

Champion Street Improvement

August	18	Highway fund order to Doyle Bros grading	40. 95 v
"	"	Highway fund orders to Doyle Bros grading	513. 45 v
"	14	Highway order to Treestone Co.	97. 50 v
"	"	" " " " " "	493. 90 v
December	30	Highway order to Doyle Bros from 573 to 580 incl., grading	410. 00 v
"	31	Highway fund order to Doyle Bros from 541, 542, 543, —	50. 00 v
1874	30	" " " " " "	289
Jan	10	" " " " " "	149. 85
Feb	18	Highway fund paid to H. C. Davis, surveying	35. 00
Total			2079. 63

Champion Street Bridge

1873.				
August	12	Highway fund order to Clay and Craig for mason work.	407	70 ✓
"	15	Highway fund order to Clay and Craig for mason work.	335	90 ✓
Sept	6	Highway fund order to Chas. Fine	150	✓
October	21	Highway fund order to Fine and Claw from 377 to 387 incl. mason work	926	
Nov	12	Highway order to A. R. Harlow	41	00 ✓
"	19	Highway order to Bremer and Hansing from 489 to 505 incl. woodwork	741	46 ✓
"	19	Highway order to Bremer and Hansing from 506 to 519 incl. woodwork	758	54 ✓
"	16	Highway order to Fine and Claw for stone work	50	00 ✓
1874.				
Jan	28	Highway order to Bremer and Hansing from 620 to 631 inclusive	472	90 ✓
"	"	Highway order to Bremer and Hansing from 632 to 642. incl.	987	30 ✓
Feb	17	Highway order to Bremer and Hansing	40	00 ✓
1873				
July	29	Highway fund to C. F. Stuck, Culvert	25	00 ✓
	30	Highway fund to Clay and Craig for mason work, order No. 319.	250	00 ✓
Total			5185	65

Severage Account

1873.				
Nov	18	Highway fund order from 475 to 478 incl. paid Thomas Smith	300	30
Dec	16	Highway fund order from 546 to 549 incl. paid Eusebe Reau on repairing old sewer on Maple Street	79	13
1874 Jan	27	Highway fund order to E. Fraser for lumber	7	81
Total			387	24

1873				
July	30	Highway fund to D. Britell	104	63
Sept	9	" orders to R. R. French	650	00
"	11	" " Marquette Brownstone Co.	474	00
"	13	Highway fund order to work done on bridges under superintendence of D. Britell	34	25
"	"	Highway Fund order to J. McCabe repairing tools	8	00
Total			1270	88

Superior, Seventh and Grove Sts. Improvements.

1873.			
Sept	9	Highway order to R. R. French. 228	15.00
October	13	Highway order to R. R. French. from 365 to 372 incl.	3.855 00
Total			3870.00

John Hocking

1873.			
Aug	28	Highway fund order for work done on ditch near cemetery	100.00
Nov	11	Highway orders from 391 to 395 incl. for same	278 10
Total			378 10

Spring Street Sewer

1873			
Nov	10	Highway orders from 401 to 464 incl	1100.00 ✓
Dec	2	" " Truman Bros.	104.50 ✓
"	17	" " Pendill & Beatty	400.00 ✓
"	30	" " from 581 to 584 incl. A. R. Harlow	262.62 ✓
"	31	" " from 597 to 602 incl. O. W. White	6050.00 ✓
1874	Jan	General Fund. Marquette Gas Light Co	200.00 ✓
"	14	" " J. J. Spear & Co.	50.00 ✓
"	"	" " " "	200.00 ✓
"	24	Highway fund. Pendill & Beatty	185.75 ✓
"	27	Thomas Smith inspecting sewer	15.00 ✓
July	20	Highway fund. M. A. Maynard	100.00 ✓
Total			8667 87

Pine Street Improvement

1873			
Nov	11	Highway orders from 397 to 400 incl. Paid to R. R. French	890 30
Total			890 30

Whetstone Brook Improvement

1873			
Dec	30	Highway orders from 560 to 568 inclusive	
"	"	paid Smith & MacLutcheon	487 96 ✓
"	30	R. R. French Hauling and filling	150.00 ✓
"	"	J. J. Spear & Co same to Smith & MacLutcheon	5.50 ✓
1874	Jan	Highway orders 617	50.00 ✓
"	"	" " 618	38 63 ✓
Total			732 09

Third Street Improvements

1873				
December	16	Highway order from 557. to 534 incl. for Improvement from Washington street to the Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon Rail Road Co's track	219	60
Total			219	60

Washington St. Improvement

1873				
May	20	Highway order to C. N. Taylor	600	
June	4	" " " Scoville & Johnson	100	
"	12	" " " C. N. Taylor	615	25
"	18	" " " C. N. Taylor	17	00
Total			1332	25

Board of Health

1873				
May	9	General fund to C. H. Taylor	8	50
"	10	" " to Jacob Pri. bread	18	10
"	14	" " " Peter White, Insomaniac	12	00
"	15	" " " Will Deatcher, cleaning		
"	"	Post House	5	00
"	"	General Fund to A. S. Salt. Med Services	60	00
June	11	General Fund to Jeffery Cole	13	73
"	12	" " " M. Clarke, Small Pox	21	00
Nov	1	" " " Jno Hallam, work on Post house	48	00
Total			186	33

Remission of Taxes

1873				
March	8	General fund to Watson and Son	255	51
July	7	" " " Margaret Hodgson	35	53
Aug	23	" " " Sidney Adams	17	04
Oct	2	" " " Mrs E. M. Park	40	47
Total			348	55

Marquette Gas Light Co

1873				
March	8	General Fund	22	60
July	2	" "	94	80
"	2	" "	18	30
Aug	12	" "	95	25
Oct	7	" "	162	10
Dec	2	" "	222	95
"	16	" "	91	50
"	30	" "	108	45
Jan. Feb	5	" "	22	26
Total			1466	00
Total			984	61

All of which is respectfully submitted
Joseph A. Dimmeau,

Recorder.

Dated, Marquette, March 4, 1874.

The personal report of the Recorder was presented
and referred to the Committee on finance, taxation and
city light. Thereupon the Council adjourned.

Adopted and approved March 16th 1874.

Joseph A. Dimmeau

Recorder

J. P. Pely - Mayor.

1874
March 16

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A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette held at the Common Council Chamber, on Monday evening, March 16th 1874. Present, Samuel P. Ely, Mayor, Joseph A. Primeau, Recorder, Alderman Atfield, Cook, Shidhart, Harlow, ^{and} Puttill. Absent Alderman Fraser.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, and the minutes of the last and preceding meetings were read & approved.

The following petitions were presented;

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: The undersigned would respectfully state that there is a considerable quantity of sand in the rear of his block, on the east side of Front Street, deposited there by Mr Drew, at the time he made the excavation for the Spring Street sewer. That said Drew has promised to remove the same, but has not done so, and the undersigned would respectfully ask of your honorable body to remove, or cause to be removed, this sand, or allow the undersigned such an amount of money as in your judgment would be necessary to pay for its removal, and deduct the same from the amount to be paid said Drew.

Yours, very respectfully, Sidney Adams.

Referred to the Committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: We the owners and occupants of property on Bluff Street, and others interested therein, do respectfully show that the property would be greatly benefitted by grading ^{and} macadamizing, and by laying sidewalks on that portion of Bluff Street from Fifth to Seventh street, and we ask your Honorable body that such work may be immediately done according to the prescribed ordinances. And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

James A. Anthony, and others.

On motion the above was referred to the Committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: The undersigned, Recorder of the City of Marquette, would respectfully represent that the room now occupied by the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners is needed for the use of the Recorder's Office.

The Board of Water and Fire Commissioners have paid no rent to the city for the use of said room, nor any portion of the gas bills charged to the Recorder's office. And he would further say that at the time permission was granted to the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners for the occupancy of said room, it was with the implied and express understanding that said room should ^{not} be occupied for any other purpose than that of an office for the transaction of the business of said board, and by such occupation would not interfere with the business of the Recorder's office. Its occupancy now, by private parties is such that it cannot be used by the city for any purpose whatever, and more especially in the case of juries and jury trials.

For the better preservation of the city books and papers, the room is needed, and it is therefore asked that the room may be vacated by the present occupants and restored to the exclusive use of the city.

Joseph A. Primeau,
Deputy, Marquette, March 16th 1874.

On motion, the above petition was referred to the Committee on Police, Claims and Grievances, to be reported upon at the next regular meeting of the Council.

On motion, it was

Resolved that the F Committee on Finance Taxation and gas lights be and are hereby instructed to report at the next regular meeting of the Council, in regard to the building of a city hall, or to the renewal of the rental of the rooms at present occupied by them.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Morgan L. Newitt, asking for a rebate of tax out lot 78 in Newitt's addition to the village (now city) of Marquette reported as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette: Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of M. L. Newitt, asking for a rebate of taxes on lot No 78, in Newitt's addition to the City of Marquette, would beg leave to report that, they have investigated the matter, and ascertained from the city assessor that said lot was assessed to Elijah Smith, and the valuation was placed upon the same at the express request of the

of the petitioner, M. L. Hewitt, stating that he had assess the same at something near one third what it was worth, and therefore the assessor could not recommend any rebate of taxes. And as your Committee cannot recommend any rebate of taxes on said lot. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward Fraser }
James Atfield } Committee.

The following report was presented, accepted and ~~placed~~ ordered placed on file:

To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette: Your committee, to whom was referred the special assessment rolls of this city, would beg leave to report that they have made an effort to investigate the matter, and as yet are not able to report much progress, and shall be compelled to ask further time; but they have a report from the city marshal of those parties that have refused or neglected to pay on Washington street, which is herewith submitted. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Edward Fraser }
James Atfield } Committee.

The personal report of the Recorder was received, accepted and ordered placed on file, and balance due him, amounting to \$65.75, ordered paid.

Further time was granted to the Committee on Finance Taxation and gas lights in regard to the Rock Street sewer.

The Committee on Police, Claims and Grievances reported in regard to the allowance of the following claims:

L. O. Gray, Printing bill heads	13.00
R. M. Gill, Clerk of Election	4.00
Thomas Hazard	4.00
J. E. Cook, Inspector and Register	8.00
James Atfield, " "	8.00
J. G. O. Keefe	8.00

P. Neidhart, Inspector & Register of Election	8.00
H. Lang Clerk	4.00
A. R. Arlow	4.00
E. Fraser	4.00
E. S. Hardy	4.00
L. C. Palmer	4.00
G. W. Richards	4.00
A. M. Connell	4.00
D. Pittell	8.00

Which report was accepted, adopted, and the several amounts ordered paid.

The report of the city attorney the action of certain members of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners was presented and placed on file. The report is as follows:

To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette.

Your City Attorney, to whom was referred the matter of improper conduct and malfeasance in office of the certain members of the Board of Fire and Water Commissioners of the City of Marquette, begs leave to report that he has investigated the same; that two members of said Board have been guilty of violation of Sec. 23rd of said act. That the act is a public one and not private. That it is not peculiarly the duty of the city attorney to proceed in this matter, but on a proper complaint for malfeasance in office, it would become the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the County of Marquette to prosecute said Commissioners. All of which is respectfully submitted.

John L. Cochran, City Attorney.

Champion
Street

On motion of Alderman Fraser, it was

Resolved, that the City attorney be and he is hereby authorized to take such steps as are necessary to secure the right of way to Champion Street.

The following claims were presented and referred to the Committee on Police, Claims and Grievances.

J. H. Watson & Son, oil cloth for table in Recorder's office \$1.75

Joseph Hamelle, table for Council Room	\$15.00
Sydney E. Church, assisting Recorder in making annual report	25.00
Hering Journal Co. Printing	130.65
Scoville and Johnson lock for Recorder's office	3.50
" " Safe line for city surveyor.	11.00
E. D. Palmer, 3 months salary as city assessor to April, 1874	375.00
B. P. Spear & Co., Coal for Recorder's office	19.40
Marquette Gas Light Co.	180.25

X The bill of Thomas Smith for work done on Spring Street Sewer, amounting to \$53.46, was presented and referred to the Committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges.

The term of Sidney Adams as member of the Board of Water Commissioners having expired, on motion of Alderman Fraser, T. T. Hurley, Sr., was unanimously elected a Member of said Board.

+ On motion of Alderman Fraser, it was resolved, when this meeting shall adjourn, it will adjourn until the 23rd day of March, 1874, to consider the matter of the Spring Street Sewer.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned until March 23^d 1874, at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Adopted and approved March 30th 1874.

Joseph H. Grimeau,
Recorder.

S. P. Hurley
Mayor

1874

March
23rd.

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette, held at the Common Council Chamber, on Monday evening, March 23rd, 1874.

Present, His Honor, Samuel P. Ely, Mayor.
Joseph A. Primeau, Recorder, Aldermen Cook, Atfield, Withart, Harlow and Brittell. Absent Alderman Fraser.

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

On motion of Alderman Cook, it was

Resolved, That the city assessor be and is hereby empowered and authorized to prepare an assessment roll, assessing seven thousand dollars on the property abutting the Spring Street sewer, between Lake and Maple Streets.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the annual charter election be held at the following places, to wit: On the First Ward, at the Hase House, on Front Street; in the Second ward, at the Court House; in the Third Ward, at the office of Edward Fraser, on Cliff Street.

Whereupon the Board adjourned.

Adopted and approved. March 30, 1874.
Joseph A. Primeau.

Recorder,

S. P. Ely Mayor.

1874
March
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At an adjourned meeting of the Common Council held at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday evening, March 24th 1874.

Presents, His Honor, Samuel P. Ely, Mayor.
Joseph McPrimeau, Recorder, Aldermen Cook, Alfild, Neidhart, Harlow and Brittest. Absent, Alderman Fraser.

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

The special assessment roll, amounting to \$7,100, levied on the property abutting the Spring Street Sewer between Lake and Maple Streets, was presented and, on motion of Alderman Cook, adopted.

On motion of Alderman Harlow, it was Resolved, That special notice be given by the Recorder in the Mining Journal of the City of Marquette, or by hand bills, that a special meeting of the Common Council will be held on Monday, April 13th, 1874, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M. to consider the final confirmation of said Spring Street Sewer assessment roll.

On motion of Alderman Cook, seconded by Alderman Neidhart, it was Resolved, That the remainder of the cost of Spring Street Sewer over and above this assessment roll be paid out of the general fund of the City of Marquette.

Whereupon the Board adjourned adopted and approved, March 30th 1874.

Joseph McPrimeau,

Recorder, S. P. Ely Mayor

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1874

March
30th.

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette held at the Common Council Chamber on Monday evening, March 30th, 1874.

Present Joseph H. Primeau, Recorder.

Aldermen, Atfield, Cook, Fridhart, Hallow, Ruttle & Fraser.

The Recorder in the Chair.

The meeting was called to order by the Recorder.

The roll was called, and minutes of the preceding meetings read and approved.

The following petitions were presented and referred to the proper Committees in their regular order:

Petition of P. F. Mullally
of taxes on personal property.
To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: Your petitioner would respectfully represent to your honorable body that he has been taxed to the amount of \$24.⁵⁰ on personal, which has been represented on the tax roll as belonging to him, and he avers and declares that he is not possessed of such an amount of personal property which is liable to taxation; and therefore asks your honorable body will make such rebate of taxes as in their judgment the true state of the facts in the case will warrant, and your petitioner will ever pray, etc.
Patrick F. Mullally.

Marquette, March 30th, 1874.

Referred to the Committee on finance, taxation and gas lights.

Petition of S. D. Humphrey
asking permission to enlarge his house.
To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: Gentlemen.- Your petitioner, S. D. Humphrey, would respectfully ask permission of your honorable body that he may raise his house on Bluff Street, between Front and Third Street, so that it may be above the contemplated grade of said street. Also, that he may be permitted to enlarge said house, by wood additions of a few rooms which he desires to do for the purpose of making said house his residence, and your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

S. D. Humphrey.

Dated, Marquette, March 23rd, 1874.

Referred to the Committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges.

To the Common Council of the City of Marquette: Your petitioners would respectfully represent that they are residents of said City, and property owners on Rock Street, that a sewer has been built beneath the sidewalks on said street in such a manner as to be of little or no avail or value to your petitioners that every time the sewer needs repairing the sidewalk has to be removed and replaced at great expense to your petitioners. Your petitioners therefore protest against paying for the construction of said sewer in its ~~sewer~~ present state, and respectfully request this honorable body to authorize the construction of one permanent sewer, that will be substantial benefit to your petitioners. Your petitioners further show that they have been put to great inconvenience and expense in the tearing up of sidewalks and relaying of the sand on account of said sewer.

Con. Clune.

Oliver Loughtin.

Mitchell Loughtin.

Martin Giles.

Jno Schwartz.

Peter Egloff.

Michael Splaw.

Jno Mack.

Mr Ammis Quarters.

Andrew Noonan

Antoine Barbeau

Fred Reinhart

Felix O'Hegard

Wm. Flynn

Referred to the Committee on Streets, Highways & Bridges

The resignation of Peter White as Member of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners, was received, accepted and placed on file.

The committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges presented the following reports, which were adopted and placed on file.

Report
of St Committee

+
Spring
St
Sewer.

To the Common Council of the City of Marquette: Your Committee on Streets, Highways and Bridges respectfully report that Patrick Drew has built and completed a sewer from the Lake Shore to a point on Maple Street, in all respects as required by the plans and specifications on file, and by the terms of his contract made with the City on the 20th day of July, A. D. 1873. And your Committee do hereby accept the said work as fully completed, with the exception of one Catch basin, and recommend the settlement and payment of the same.

All of which is respectfully Submitted.

A. R. Harlow }
Daniel Gittelb } Committee
G. Heidhart }

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Alexander Fergusson and others, asking the laying down of water pipes on Campbell Street, have had the same under consideration. They do not find any authority in the Charter which authorizes the Council to act in this matter, that such duties belong to the Board of Fire and Water Commissioners. They recommend that the Recorder be instructed to return the petition to the petitioners. All of which is respectfully Submitted.

A. R. Harlow }
Daniel Gittelb } Committee.
G. Heidhart }

Estimate of earth work by Doyle Bros on Champion Street, 2380 yards @ 22¢ \$506.00

E. J. Palmer City Surveyor.

March 28th 1874. The undersigned Committee on Streets, highways and Bridges, would recommend the payment of the above labor and that orders be drawn on the highway fund for the amount of five hundred and six dollars.

A. R. Harlow }
Daniel Gittelb } es Committee.
G. Heidhart }

To the Common Council of the City of Marquette
Your Committee to whom was referred the matter of Antoine Garbeau and others, asking that so much of the ordinance relative to the fire limits and the construction of buildings thereon, adopted April 4th 1872, may be repealed or amended so as to allow the owners of buildings on the North

side and fronting Rock Street to alter and repair the same in such manner as they may see fit, beg leave to report that the ordinance above referred to provides in Sec. 7 that all ordinance such alterations and repairs may be made by resolution of the Council in each particular case and in their judgment the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. R. Harlow }
Daniel Grittell } Committee.
B. Heidhart }

The finance Committee reported as follows:

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette: -

Your Committee to whom was referred the resolution pertaining to the renting of the rooms now occupied by the Common Council and the Board of Fire and Water Commissioners would beg leave to report that ^{they} have consulted with Mr. Moore, and find that he is willing to re-rent the rooms as follows: The Council room for \$250 per annum, and the water Commissioners' room at \$125 - total, \$375. And your Committee would recommend the renting of the room now occupied by the Common Council, but as to the other room, would ask further time.

Edward Fraser }
James Atfield } Committee.

Report adopted and placed on file.

The Committee on Police, Claims and Finances reported in regard to the allowance of the following claims, which said report was accepted, adopted and the several amounts ordered paid, as follows:

J. P. Spear & Co. Coal. Recorder's office.	\$19.40
E. J. Palmer, salary as city assessor.	\$11.75.00
Mixing Journal Company, Printing	30.65
Scoville and Johnson, bill.	11.00
Watson and Son, bill	1.75
Joseph Hamelle, bill for one table in Recorder's office.	13.00

Marquette Gas Light Co. allowed for
Council Room. \$9.05
And further time asked for consideration
of bill for lighting streets. 171.20
S. E. Church, Assisting Recorder in making
annual report. 25.00

On motion of Alderman Harlow it was
Resolved, That the bill of Thomas Smith, for
the amount of \$27.40, for work on Spring Street
sewer, should be paid and the same be charged
to the account of Patrick Drew, and the
Recorder ordered to draw an order for the same.

On motion of Alderman Harlow, it was
Resolved, That the bill of Thomas Smith, for
the amount of \$8.00, for opening and cleaning
sewer, be paid and the Recorder authorized to
draw an order for the same on the highway fund.

The bill of G. M. Fisher, amounting to \$300. for
posting bills, was ordered to be paid by order on
the general fund.

On motion of Alderman Harlow, it was
Resolved, That the City Attorney be, and is hereby
instructed and authorized to make a final settle-
ment with Patrick Drew, on account of the
Spring Street Sewer.

On motion of Alderman Cook, it was
Resolved, That the order for \$15.00, given by Patrick
Drew on Hampson Gregory, on account of Spring Street
Sewer, be paid, and the same charged to the account
of the said Patrick Drew, and the Recorder is directed
to draw an order for the amount.

On motion of Alderman Pietsch, it was Resolved, That
the Street Committee be, and are hereby authorized to proceed
at once to put in the "Catch Basin" on Third Street, to Spring
sewer.

Whereupon the Council adjourned until Wednesday evening,
April 8th, at 7 1/2 o'clock.
adopted and approved, April 9th, 1874.

Joseph A. Guzman, Recorder.

Mayor.

1874.
April 8

No quorum being present on April 8th. 1874, the meeting was adjourned to Thursday, April 9th. 1874 at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Joseph H. Prineau.

Recorder.

1874

April 9th

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the city of Marquette, held at the Common Council Chamber on Thursday evening, April 9th. 1874. Present.

His Honor Samuel P. Ely, Mayor.

Joseph H. Prineau, Recorder, Aldermen Cook, Atfield, Harlow, Pittell and Fraser; absent Alderman Heidhart

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor.

The roll was called, and minutes of the last preceding meeting were read and approved.

The Council then proceeded to canvass the votes cast for city officers at the general election held on Monday April 6th. 1874. The Mayor appointed Alderman Fraser and Joseph H. Prineau, Recorder, as canvassing committee; and after the canvass the report of the Committee of officers elected was as follows:

Mayor, Alfred O. Swinford.

City Treasurer, Francis M. Moore.

Justice of the Peace, (to fill vacancy) William Nyckoff.

Justice of the Peace (long term), William Nyckoff.

School Inspector, John J. Graham.

Constables, Thomas M. Laughlin & James Haley.

Alderman, First Ward Timothy J. Hurley.

Second Ward, George Wagner.

Third Ward, Edward Fraser.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be and are hereby tendered to His Honor, S. P. Ely, for his kind and courteous bearing as presiding officer of the Council during the past year; that we part with him with regret, always esteeming

him as an upright, straight forward presiding officer
and our sincere wishes are that long life and
prosperity may attend him.

Thereupon the Council adjourned.

adopted and approved April 13th 1874.

Joseph A. Primeau
Recorder.

S. P. Ely Mayor