

1876
September
28th.

Special Meeting.

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber on Thursday afternoon, at four o'clock, September 28th, A.D. 1876, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present aldermen Swineford, Fraser, Eddy, Cook and Lyons; absent, aldermen Adams, Mullaly and Ralph a quorum present.

The reading of the proceedings had at the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

Thereupon the mayor stated the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of determining the amount of general taxes to be raised for the year 1877.

In compliance with above statement the committee on finance, taxation and gas-lights made the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred the resolution instructing the finance committee to report the amount of necessary to be raised for city purposes for the ensuing year, beg leave to report that after due investigation, they would recommend that the following amounts be levied and placed on the general assessment roll, viz:

To pay interest on city bonds	\$2,500.00
For general fund of city	7,432.00
For highway fund of city	3,716.00
For water tax	12,300.00
All of which is respectfully submitted.	Total \$25,948.00
Edward Fraser	School 13,000.00
	38,948.00

Acting Chairman Finance Committee.

Alex. Ferguson, city marshal, made written report showing that he had collected and paid over to the city treasurer the sum of \$65. on account of poll tax - which report was referred to the committee on account of city officers.

The following accounts were presented, allowed and ordered paid by the unanimous vote of the council taken by yeas and nays, and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the same:
Bill of Edward Fraser, lumber to repair bridges and cross walks \$29.67

Bill of James Fagen, work on streets	\$1.50
Bill of Alex. Ferguson, salary as Marshal ^{and} Chief of Police, (Sept)	58.33
Bill of John Kern, witness fees in city cases	1.00
Bill of Theodore Wilson, same	1.00
Bill of Thomas W. Laughlin, services as deputy Sheriff	50
Bill of John L. Cochran, salary as city attorney for month of September	41.66
Bill of James Kelly, work on streets	17.25
Bill of Doyle Brothers, team work on streets.	46.00
Bill of Thomas Doyle, work on streets	10.50
Bill of Patrick Doyle, for services as street Commissioner from August 26 th to September 25 th , 19 days, at \$3. per day.	57.00
Bill of Joseph Bastin, repairing side walks	3.00
Bill of A. C. Swineford, publishing council proceedings	86.10

The following accounts were also presented and referred to the committee on police, claims ^{and} grievances:

Bill of John G. O'Keefe, trying cases for breach of city ordinances	\$6.00
Bill of Jacob Doep, services as constable	\$10.00
Bill of the Marquette ^{and} Pacific Rolling Mill Company.	
451 cubic yards cinder on Lake Street	169.13

Motions ^{and} Resolutions.

Alderman Swineford presented the following resolution, which was adopted by yeas ^{and} nays, as follows: Yeas, aldermen Eddy, Lyons, Swineford and recorder; nays, aldermen Cook, Fraser ^{and} Mayor:

Resolved, That the marshal be and he is hereby instructed to discontinue all efforts to collect the poll-tax, and that the amount of said tax be refunded to the parties who have paid the same out of the first moneys received into the city treasury, ^{and} that the city treasurer be ^{and} he is hereby instructed to retain ^{and} set aside a sufficient amount of the funds first coming into his hands hereafter, to refund the said tax to the parties who have paid the same.

On motion, the council then adjourned until October 16th 1896, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.

Approved, October 16th, 1896.

Joseph H. Primeau
Recorder.

Mayor.

1876.
October
16th

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, October 16th, A.D. 1876, the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor, thereupon, on motion of alderman Cook, Alderman Sidney Adams was duly elected and appointed clerk pro tem, and the roll being called by Mr Adams, there were present aldermen Ralph, Swineford, Cook, Mullaly, Lyons, and Eddy; absent, alderman Fraser and mayor Pickands.

The minutes of the adjourned meeting of September 2nd. of the regular meeting of September 18th, of the adjourned meeting of September 2nd. and of the special meeting of September 28th. were read and approved.

Petitions and Communications.

The following communication from Henry H. Stafford, school director, was presented, read and referred to the assessors, Marquette, Mich. Oct. 6th. 1876.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette.— In compliance with law, we hereby report to your honorable body that at the annual meeting of the qualified voters of fractional district No 1. of the City and Township of Marquette, it was voted to raise by tax the sum of Thirteen Thousand dollars, being the estimate of the board of the expenses necessary to be incurred the ensuing school year for school purposes.

H. H. Stafford, Director,

Reports of Committees.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Donor, James Maloney and Jesse Hapgood, asking for a rebate of taxes on lots number 4 & 5, of Hiram A. Burt addition, on Seventh Street, made written report, which was unanimously adopted by yeas and nays, recommending that the taxes be rebated on lots 4 and 5, and that the recorder be and he is hereby, authorized to draw an order of \$23.⁴³ on each lot in favor of Matthew and Longyear, and have the deeds cancelled on same.

On motion, the committee on police, claims ^{and} grievances, to whom were referred the following bills, to wit:

Bill of Marquette ^{and} Pacific Rolling Mill Co. for 457 cubic yards cinder.	\$169. ¹³
Bill of John G. O'Keefe, trying city cases	16.00
Bill of Jacob Dolf, services as constable	10.00
Bill of Thomas McLaughlin, services as policeman for keeping order at school meeting, Sept 4.	3.00

was discharged from any further consideration of the same, and on further motion, the bills of John G. O'Keefe, \$16.⁰⁰ Jacob Dolf, \$10.⁰⁰ and that of the Marquette and Pacific Rolling Mill Co. for \$169.¹³ less \$2.²⁵ were allowed and ordered paid, and the recorder authorized by yeas ^{and} nays to draw orders for the same.

The bill of Thomas McLaughlin, was, on motion, laid on the table.

Reports of Special Committees.

The special committee, consisting of Alderman Ralph S. Adams and H. D. Lyons, to whom was referred the communication of the Marquette, Houghton ^{and} Ontonagon Rail Road Company, of date June 26th, 1876, made the following report which was laid on the table:

To the common council of the city of Marquette. Gentlemen.—Y

Your committee to whom was referred the proposition of the Marquette, Houghton ^{and} Ontonagon Rail Road Company, in relation to extension of Spring Street and bearing date of June 26th, 1876, beg leave to report that they have considered the same and have conferred with Mr. Schock, the superintendent of said road, who proposes to lease to the city the lot or piece of ground necessary for such extension, until the increasing business of said railroad company renders it necessary to build trestle work over such piece of ground in order to transport iron ore to its dock. The consideration for such lease to be, in each year, the amount of taxes assessed against said lot for such year, the city to have entire control of said lot for street purposes.

subject to an agreement with S. Adams as to the south line of said lot. Your committee would respectfully recommend that the above proposition be accepted and that the city attorney be authorized to draw a lease in accordance therewith, and present it to this Council at its next regular meeting for such further action as they may then deem necessary.

Michael Ralph }
S. Adams } Special Committee.
A. D. Lyons }

John G. O'Keeffe, justice of the peace, made written report for month ending October 16th, showing the collection made by him of \$15. from Nellie Monahan, inmate of house of ill-fame. He also reported in writing that a fine of \$100 had been inflicted on Ezimair Longtin for keeping a house of ill-fame, and that said case had been appealed to the circuit Court - which report was accepted, adopted and ordered placed on file.

John L. Cochran, city attorney, made verbal report, which was accepted, stating that owing to the detention of Mr. Tall at the South, whose services had been retained in the case of the Marquette Houghton & Ontonagon Railroad Company vs. the City, it became necessary to secure the services of some other resident attorney to attend said case in the Supreme Court. He has accordingly retained the services of Messrs Moore and Moore, of Detroit.

On motion, Mr Cochran was duly instructed and empowered to make such arrangements regarding compensation therefor as he should deem advisable and expedient for the best interests of the city.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented, allowed and ordered paid, and the recorder authorized by the unanimous vote of the Council, taken by yeas and nays, to draw orders for the same:

Bill of John Hallam, one office table and one dissecting table for city morgue. \$12.00

Bill of William O'Brien, services as night policeman, October 14th. \$2.50
 Bill of Theo Neilson, witness fees 1.00
 Bill of James Maloney, work for Street Commissioner 2.60

The following accounts were also presented, and, on motion, referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances:

Bill of Thomas M. Laughlin arresting as deputy sheriff, Nellie Monahan and serving three subpoenas in same case. 5.50
 Bill of B. Weidhart and Co., sundries 7.30
 Bill of A. J. Giddell, furnishing wood, &c, to the Third Ward, at Spring Election 2.00
 Bill of Freeman and Brother, livery by Thomas M. Laughlin, arresting Nellie Monahan 5.00
 Bill of Alex^r Ferguson, 3 1/2 days board furnished William Jeans, detained as witness in case of City vs. Fish and Scott 3.33
 Bill of William Volk, services as juror 1.00

Motions and Resolutions.

Alderman Swineford offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Marshal Ferguson be and he hereby is instructed to deliver forthwith to the city treasurer the receipt book or books containing the stubs showing the names of those having paid the poll-tax, to the end that the treasurer may be able to refund the said poll-tax to the proper persons, in accordance with the resolution of this council heretofore adopted.

Alderman Cook presented the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, whose duty it shall be to fully investigate the present condition of the water works and report to this council if some means cannot be devised by which the board of water and fire commissioners can be prevailed upon to provide a supply of pure

water for domestic use, and also to make the works more effective as a protection against fire, for which latter purpose they now appear to be wholly worthless.

Alderman Cook presented the following resolution, which was adopted by the vote of the council taken by yeas^{and} nays, as follows: Yeas, aldermen Cook, Mullaly, Ralph, Swineford and Joseph A. Primeau, recorder^{and} acting mayor; nays, aldermen Adams, Eddy^{and} Lyons:

Whereas, It appears to be the sense of the citizens^{and} tax-payers that in their opinion it would be for the best interests of the people to make a change in the office of marshal; therefore,

Resolved, That our present marshal be and he is hereby discontinued from office from and after this date, and that some other active man be appointed in his stead.

Resolved further, That the thanks of this council be tendered to our present marshal for the performance of his duty to the best of his ability.

On motion, the council then proceeded by ballot to the election of marshal, when William O'Brien, having received a majority of all the members present, was, on further motion, declared duly elected^{and} appointed marshal of the City of Marquette for the balance of the ensuing year.

Alderman Cook presented the following, which was unanimously adopted by yeas^{and} nays:

Whereas, It is well known to the Street Committee^{and} other members of this council that that portion of Lake Street below Carp River Bridge, about three hundred feet in length is almost impassable, and that it is one of the most public thoroughfares leading into the city, and that the place has been a public nuisance for many years for the reason that there is a temporary plank walk which never should have been placed there, but appears to be kept there expressly for the interest of certain lumber merchants,

therefore,

Resolved, That the street committee be directed to proceed at once^{and} fill up this place and make a

passable road at an expense not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars.

On motion, the council then adjourned. -

Approved, November 27th A.D. 1876.

Sidney Adams.

Clerk pro tem.

Joseph H. Grimeau,
Acting Mayor.

Special Meeting.

1876
October
21st.

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Saturday evening October 21st 1876. the council was called to order by Joseph H. Grimeau, acting Mayor. Thereupon, on motion of Alderman Fraser, alderman Elisha F. Eddy was duly elected and appointed Clerk pro tem, and the roll being called by Mr. Eddy, there were present, aldermen Adams, Fraser and Lyons; absent, aldermen Ralph, Swineford, Cook, Mullaly and Mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present, the meeting was, on motion of Alderman Lyons adjourned until Wednesday evening October 25th 1876. at half past seven o'clock.

Approved, November 27th A.D. 1876.

E. F. Eddy

Clerk pro tem.,

Joseph H. Grimeau
Acting Mayor.

Adjourned Meeting.

1876
Oct 25th. There being no quorum present the meeting was adjourned
approved. Nov 27th 1876.

Joseph H. Primeau.
Recorder.

Special Meeting.

1876
Oct.
28

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Saturday at twelve o'clock. M. the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor. Thereupon, on motion of Alderman Adams, Alderman Edward Fraser was duly elected and appointed clerk pro tem., and the roll being called by Mr. Fraser, there were present aldermen Lyons, Eddy, Adams and Ralph; absent aldermen Cook, Mullaney, Swineford and Mayor Pickens.

The reading of the proceedings had the preceding meetings were dispensed with.

Thereupon, Joseph H. Primeau, made statement that the object of the meeting was to determine and designate, in each ward, the places where the different boards of registration shall hold their sessions on Saturday next, November, 4th, and also to designate the places, in each ward, where the general election shall be held, on Tuesday, November 7th, 1876.

In compliance with above statement, alderman Fraser presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the following places be and they are hereby designated by this Council for holding the General election, on Tuesday, November 7th, 1876. — and also for holding the sessions of the boards of registration on the 4th day of November 1876, to wit: in the First Ward, at the office of John J. McNameara & Co. on Champlin Street; in the Second Ward, at the Council Room, on Front Street; in the Third Ward, in the Brick Horse House, on Ridge Street; in the Fourth Ward, at the Horse House, on Bluff Street — and the recorder is hereby instructed to have such notices as is required by law posted in each ward.

On motion, the council then adjourned.
 Approved, November 27th. 1876.

Edmund Fraser,

Clerk pro tem.,

Joseph H. Primeau,

Acting Mayor.

1876
 October
 30th.

Regular Meeting.

At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, October 30th A.D. 1876. the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor. Thereupon, on motion of Alderman Ralph, Alderman Thomas E. Cook, was duly elected and appointed clerk pro tem., and the roll being called by Mr. Cook, there were present aldermen Ralph, Swineford and Mullaly; absent, aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons and Mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present, the meeting was, on motion of Alderman Cook adjourned.
 Approved, Nov 27th 1876.

Thos. E. Cook,

Clerk pro tem.,

Joseph H. Primeau
 Acting Mayor.

1876.
Nov
13th.

Regular Meeting.

At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, November 13th, A.D. 1876, the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau acting Mayor. Thereupon, on motion of Alderman Ralph, alderman A. P. Swineford was duly elected and appointed Clerk pro tem., and the roll being called by Mr. Swineford, there were present aldermen Ralph, Cook and Mullaly; absent, aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons and Mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present, the meeting, on motion of alderman Cook, was adjourned.

Approved, November 27th, 1876.

A. P. Swineford

Clerk pro tem;

Joseph H. Primeau,

Acting Mayor.

1876.
Nov.
23th.

Special Meeting

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Thursday evening, November 23rd 1876, the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor. Thereupon, on motion of Alderman Ralph, alderman A. P. Swineford was duly elected and appointed Clerk pro tem., and the roll being called by Mr. Swineford, there were present aldermen Ralph, Cook, and Mullaly; absent, aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons and Mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present, the meeting, on motion of alderman Cook, was adjourned.

Approved, November, ^{27th} A.D. 1876

A. P. Swineford

Clerk pro tem.

Joseph H. Primeau

Acting Mayor.

The minutes of the meeting of Nov 23rd 1876, on this Page, are void the same being entered and copied on Page 56.

Joseph H. Primeau,
Recorder.

1876.

Nov

23rd

Special Meeting

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber on Thursday evening November 23rd A. D. 1876. the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor, thereupon, on motion of alderman Ralph, alderman Swineford was duly elected ^{and} appointed clerk pro tem., and the roll being called by Mr. Swineford, there were present aldermen Cook, Ralph ^{and} Muhlaly; absent, aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons ^{and} Mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present, the meeting was, on motion of Mr. Swineford, adjourned until Friday, November 24th. A. D. 1876, at half past seven o'clock, P. M.

Approved, November 27th 1876.

J. C. Swineford.

Joseph H. Primeau.

Clerk pro tem.

Acting Mayor.

1876.

Nov

24th.

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Friday evening, November 24th, A. D. 1876. the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor, thereupon, on motion of alderman Ralph, Thomas E. Cook was duly elected ^{and} appointed clerk pro tem., and the roll being called by Mr. Cook, there were present aldermen Ralph, ^{and} Muhlaly; absent aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons, Swineford and mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present, the meeting was on motion of alderman Cook, adjourned until November 25th A. D. 1876, at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Approved, November 27th A. D. 1876.

Thomas E. Cook.

Joseph H. Primeau.

Clerk pro tem.

Acting Mayor.

1876.
Nov
25

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the Common Council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Saturday evening, November 25th, 1876. Present, alderman Mullaly; absent, aldermen, Cook, Swineford, Ralph, Fraser, Lyons, Adams, Eddy and Mayor Pickands.

There being no quorum present the meeting, on motion of alderman Mullaly, was adjourned.
Approved November, 27th A.D. 1876.

Joseph H. Primeau
Acting Mayor.

Regular Meeting.

1876.
Nov.
27th. At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, November 27th, A. D. 1876. the council was called to order by James Pickands, mayor, and the roll being called by Joseph H. Primeau, recorder, there were present aldermen Ralph, Swineford, Cook, Mullaly, Lyons, Fraser, Adams and Eddy.

The reading of the minutes of the adjourned meeting of October 16th, of the special meeting of October 21st, of the adjourned meeting of October 25th, of the special meeting of October 28th, of the regular meeting of October 30th, of the regular meeting of November 13th, and of the special meetings of November 23rd, 24th, and 25th, were read and approved.

Petitions and Communications.

The petition of Patrick Healey of date of October 30th asking for a rebate of taxes of \$33.79 on account of the grading of Seventh Street on his lots 9th and 10th of St. A. Park in addition to the village (now city) of Marquette, was presented, read and referred to the street committee.

Reports of Committees.

The committee on police, claims and grievances made written report recommending that the following claims be paid, and the recorder was authorized to draw orders for the same, by the unanimous vote of the council taken by yeas and nays:

Bill of Alex. Ferguson, boarding William Jeans $3\frac{1}{3}$ days, detained as witness in case of Scott and Fuchs \$3.33

Bill of William Volk, services as juror - 1.00

Bill of A. J. Loddell, store and board for election in Third Ward, 3 days, April, 1876. - - - - - 2.00

Bill of P. Weidhardt, Sundries - - - - - 7.30

The bill of Thomas M. Laughlin \$16.50, for arresting Nellie Monahan at Weyauwette, and for serving three subpoenas in same case, was allowed at \$5.00 and his \$5.00 bill for livery for making said arrest, being by said claims committee referred back to the council, was, on motion, laid on the table.

Reports of City Officers.

Joseph H. Primeau, recorder, made written reports showing the amount of fines collected by him in the month of October as being \$2.50, and that he had collected no money from any source whatever from November 1st. until November 27th. inclusive.

Alexander Ferguson also reported and returned in writing to the council that he had no money, property or effects in his hands belonging to the city of Marquette - which reports were accepted, adopted and orders placed on file.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented, allowed and ordered paid by yeas and nays, alderman Swineford and the recorder not voting, and the balance of council voting yeas:

Bill of Martin Behw, work on Streets. \$32.24

Bill of Joseph H. Primeau, salary as recorder and librarian, October - - - - - 66.66

Bill of Joseph H. Grimeau, trying cases in violation of Ordinances	
October	\$4.00
Bill of Felix Pacharan, services as special policeman.	
October 16, 17, 18 & 19	10.00
Bill of William Flannery, same	10.00
Bill of Charles Gastier, work on streets	.75
Bill of George Scrull, services as special policeman, Nov 7th, day and night	5.00
Bill of Alex Grant, same	5.00
Bill of William Miller, same	5.00
Bill of Edward W. Wood, same	5.00
Bill of James Haley, same	5.00
Bill of Matthew W. Hully, same	5.00
Bill of Thomas Doyle, work on streets	1.50
Bill of John E. O'Keefe, trying cases for violation of city ordinances	17.00
Bill of F. J. Spear & Co, coal for Council Chamber	15.00
Bill of A. P. Swinford, publishing Council proceedings	33.35
Bill of Henry J. Hopkins, agent, stove for Council Chamber	53.30
Bill of Henry W. Stafford, stationery &c	6.05
Bill of Robert R. Todd, laying cross-walk on Ridge Street	2.25
Bill of Doyle Brothers, team work on streets	131.00
Bill of Patrick Doyle, services as street Commissioner from September 25th to November 20th.	110.25

The following accounts were also presented, and after long debate, the same, were on motion, referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances.

Bill of Thomas M. Laughlin, services as policeman, day and night, November 7th	\$5.00
Bill of Mathias Blaw, same	5.00
Bill of Edmund W. Spalding, salary as city attorney	145.00
Bill of William O'Brien, services as marshal &c. from October 16th to Nov. 27th inclusive. Price to be determined by council.	
Bill of Alex Ferguson, salary as marshal and chief of police, October	\$58.33
Bill of Charles Crowley board of prisoners	114.08
Bill of John E. Tobin, clerk of election in second ward	4.50

Bill of George W. Richards, services as clerk of election
 November 7th and 8th. in fourth ward. \$6.00
 Bill of Isaac N. Wilson, services as inspector of
 election. Nov 7th. in first ward. \$3.00
 Bill of Patrick J. Noonan, services as clerk
 of election, in second ward. 4.50
 Bill of Thomas E. Cook, services in April, 1876, on
 board of registration ^{and} election and review — \$7.50
 3 days on board of review. May 15th. 16th and 17th 9.00
 November 4th. 1 day on board of registration 3.00
 Bill of Patrick Hayes, services as clerk of election 4.50
 Bill of James McFennan, services as clerk of
 election 4.50
 Bill of Michael Ralph, 1 day's services on board
 of registration 3.00
 Bill of Joseph H. Pirmeau, salary as recorder
 and Librarian November 66.67
 Bill of John Peedon, balance of salary as
 harbor master, from May 12th. 1874 to May
 12th. 1876. \$246.25
 Bill of Alex^r. C. Thiel, services as clerk of
 election at fourth ward polls 14.50
 Bill of William Wyckoff, services as inspector
 of election in third ward 6.00
 Bill of Patrick J. Mullaly, services on boards
 of election and registration in Second Ward. 7.50
 Bill of Edward Fraser, services on boards of
 registration and election, at Spring ^{and} fall election 9.00
 Bill of William H. Parks, services as inspector
 of election, in third ward 6.00
 Bill of H. P. Swineford, services on boards of
 election ^{and} registration \$4.26

Motions and Resolutions.

Alderman Adams presented the following resolution,
 which was laid on the table, by yeas ^{and} nays, as follows:
 yeas - alderman Cook, Eddy, Lyons, Mullaly, Swineford
 and recorder; nays - aldermen Adams, Fraser, Ralph ^{and}
 mayor:

Resolved, That the city recorder be and he is hereby au-
 thorized to draw an order in favor of George Ogden for
 twenty five dollars, as part pay for damages to his house

which was overturned to prevent the spread of fire on Ridge Street.

Alderman Fraser offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That the street committee be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for keeping the sidewalks free from snows far as possible, during the coming winter, and contract for the same with the lowest responsible bidder, not to exceed two hundred (200) dollars, and report the same to the council.

Alderman Fraser presented the following, which the chair ruled out of order.

Resolved, That the preamble ^{and} resolutions passed by this Council, October 16th, 1876, dismissing Alexander Ferguson, our marshal, and appointing William O'Brien to fill the vacancy for the balance of the year, be and they are hereby reconsidered.

Alderman Swinford offered the following, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the city attorney be and he is hereby requested to present to this Council an opinion in writing as to the power of this Council to remove any city officer, appointed by itself, for any cause whatever ^{and} more particularly as to its right ^{and} power to remove the city marshal.

On motion of alderman Ralph, the report of the Special Committee, consisting of Aldermen Ralph, Adams ^{and} Lyons, relative to the communication of the Marquette, Houghton ^{and} Ontonagon Rail Road Company, bearing date June 26, 1876, presented to the Council, October 16th, was taken from the table, ^{and} after sundry remarks relative to the adoption of said report, the same was, on further motion of alderman Swinford, laid on the table.

Approved, January 22nd A. D. 1877.

Joseph H. Grimeau.
Recorder.

Mayor.

1876.
December
5th.

Special Meeting.

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber on Tuesday evening December 5th A.D. 1876, the council was called to order by James Pickands, mayor, and the roll being called by recorder Grimeau, there were present aldermen Swineford, Cook, Mullaney, Lyons, Frazer, Adams and Eddy; absent, alderman Ralph.

Whereupon the mayor stated that the object of the meeting was to receive in writing the opinion of the city attorney as to the power of the council to remove any city officer appointed by itself, for any cause whatever, and more particularly as to the rights and power to remove the city marshal.

In compliance with the above statement the city attorney presented in writing his said opinion, which, on motion of alderman Swineford, was accepted and ordered placed on file, by yeas and nays, as follows: Aldermen Cook and Mullaney voting nay and the balance of council voting yeas.

Your city attorney, to whom was referred the question of the power of the council to remove its own appointees, and more particularly the city marshal, begs leave to submit in writing the following opinion:

1st. The power to remove a corporate officer from his office is a common law power, incident to all corporations, and this power has always been just as clearly defined as the power to make by-laws. Rex vs Richardson, 1. Burr 577; Angel and Ames on Corporations, Chapter 16; 2 Kent, Conn. 297.

2nd. When an officer is appointed during pleasure, or when the power of removal is discretionary, the power to remove may be exercised without notice or hearing. Dillon on Municipal Corporations, page 222, Section 188; 13. Mich., 346; 30 Wendell, 595.

3rd. When an officer is appointed for a specified time, notice and opportunity for hearing must be given. (Cases above cited.)

(A.) Also when by provisions of the organic law it requires notice, either by direct statement or implication

(B.) The language of the amended charter is as follows, "and the common council shall have power to remove for cause shown any of said officers," &c., (marshal included.) Sec. 2. of City Charter, as amended, page 2 of amendments.

From a careful examination of all the authorities that I have cited, as well as numerous authorities not deemed necessary to lumber up this opinion with, I am clear that the council should have.

1st. Given the marshal personal notice;

2nd. Preferred a charge or charges against him in writing;

3rd. Appointed a time and place for hearing the same;

4th. And by vote declared that he had been found guilty after such hearing of some offence for which a motion lies.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John L. Cochran.

Alderman Swineford presented the following ordinance, which, on motion, was referred to the City Attorney: It is

hereby ordained by the common council of the City of Marquette:—Section 1. That ordinance number nineteen (19) of the published ordinances of the city, "as amended February 27th, 1873, entitled, an ordinance relative to the Harbor of Marquette" be and the same is hereby repealed.

Thereupon, on motion of Alderman Trason, the general order of business was taken up, and, on further motion of Alderman Swineford, the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

Reports of Committees.

By the Street Committee: Your committee to whom was referred the matter of letting the contract for keeping the sidewalks clear from snow during the ensuing season beg leave to report that they have received two bids, and that Thomas Doyle was the lowest bidder, his bid being one hundred and thirty seven dollars; and that they have awarded the contract to him for that sum, and would recommend that he be required to furnish bond for the faithful performance of the

same, with one surety, to be approved by the common council, and that the city attorney be authorized to draw ^{and} submit said contract ^{and} bond to the council for its approval.

Which report was adopted by yeas ^{and} nays, as follows:

yeas, aldermen Adams, Cook, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons,

Ralph ^{and} mayor; nays, aldermen Mullaly, Swineford and recorder - a motion of alderman Swineford having been lost by yeas ^{and} nays, to lay said report off the table.

The committee on police, claims ^{and} grievances made written report recommending that the following claims be paid, and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the same, by yeas ^{and} nays as follows:

yeas, aldermen Adams, Cook, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons, Mullaly, recorder ^{and} mayor; nays, alderman Swineford

and alderman Ralph not voting.

Bill of Joseph H. Primeau, salary as Recorder ^{and} Librarian, November \$ 66.66

Bill of Alexander Ferguson, salary as Marshal and Chief of police, October 58.33

Bill of James Heffernan, services as clerk of election 4.50

Bill of Patrick Hayes, services as clerk of election, in the first ward 4.50

Bill of Michael Ralph, 1 day's services on board of registration, first ward 3.00

Bill of Isaac H. Wilson, services as inspector of election in first ward 3.00

Bill of A. P. Swineford, services on boards of election and registration in first ward 4.25

Bill of Patrick J. Mullaly, services on boards of election ^{and} registration in Second Ward 4.50

Bill of John E. Tobin, services as clerk of election in second ward 4.50

Bill of Patrick Noonan, services as clerk of election in second ward 4.50

Bill of Thomas E. Cook, services on boards of registration, review ^{and} election 19.50

Bill of William H. Parks, services as inspector of election, in Third Ward 4.50

Bill of William Hyckoff, services as clerk of election in Third Ward 4.50

Bill of Edward Fraser, services on boards of registration

and election in Spring^{and} fall, in third ward \$9.00
 Bill of Alex. C. Thiell, services as clerk of election in fourth
 ward 3.00
 Bill of George W. Richards, services as clerk of election,
 in fourth ward 4.50
 Bill of Matthias Blau, services as special policeman,
 Nov 7th. day^{and} night 5.00
 Bill of Thomas McLaughlin, same 5.00
 By the the Committee on finance, taxation^{and} gas-lights. Four

Committee to whom was referred the petition of William
 Curt^{and} others of September 2nd beg leave to report that
 they have considered the same^{and} would respectfully re-
 commend that the recorder be authorized to draw an order
 on the city treasury in favor of George Ogston for the
 sum of fifty dollars.

J. Adams,
 Edward Fraser } Committee.
 Michael Ralph }

Which report was not adopted by the vote of the council
 taken by yeas^{and} nays, as follows: Yeas, aldermen Adams,
 Edely, Fraser, Ralph^{and} Mayor; nays, aldermen Cook, Lyons,
 Mullaly, Swineford^{and} recorder.

Thereupon, on motion of the recorder, the above report was
 referred to the city attorney with instructions to report in
 writing at the next regular meeting of the council,
 whether said Ogston's bill was a legal claim against
 said council, or against the board of water^{and} fire com-
 missioners.

On motion, the council was adjourned.

Approved, January 23^d A.D. 1877.

Joseph A. Primeau.
 Recorder.

Mayor
 JH

1876.
December
27th.

Special Meeting.

At a special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette, held at the Council Chamber on Wednesday evening December 27th, A. D. 1876, the Council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present, aldermen Ralph, Swineford, Cook, Mullaly, Lyons, Fraser, Adams and Eddy.

On motion of alderman Swineford, the reading of the minutes of the preceding meetings was dispensed with.

Petitions and Communications.

The petition of Thomas Flaherty and 21 others residing on the west end of Ridge Street, Sixth Street between Bluff and Ridge, and the west end of Michigan Street, between Frank and Sixth Streets, asking this Council to instruct the person having the contract for removing snow, to run the snow plow through the streets above mentioned, was presented, read and referred to a special committee of three, appointed by the chair and consisting of aldermen Adams, Ralph and Mullaly.

The petition of Mrs. Emily Watson asking a rebate of taxes on her lot known and designated as the south half, of lot No 1, in Hewitt's addition to the City of Marquette, was presented, read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The proposal of Thomas Doyle offering to keep the sidewalks clear from snow throughout the entire city for the sum of \$137.00, was read, and on motion laid on the table.

The petition of Allen E. Prentice asking a rebate of taxes of \$28.00 on personal property, was presented, read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The following communication was presented, and on motion laid on the table:

Marquette, Mich. Dec. 24th. 1876.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Marquette - Gentlemen: I learn that the report of the Committee

to whom was referred the matter of the extension of Spring Street across the lot belonging to this Company, has been laid on the table, because it was asserted that a certain claim of Sidney Adams would have to be considered in connection with it.

Permit me to say that all there is of this claim is that for a certain consideration I agreed to reserve to Sidney Adams "light and access to his property now fronting on company's property between Lake ^{and} Front streets". As this reservation cannot interfere with the project of using the lot for street purposes in accordance with my understanding with your committee, I will agree, if the above provisions are not violated, to protect the city from any other claims of any nature or kind that Mr. Adams may have upon said property. I have no doubt that Mr. Adams will coincide with me in this statement.

Very respectfully yours,

Samuel Schock, General Manager

The contract of Thomas Doyle, entered into with the city to clean and keep the sidewalks free from snow through the entire city during the winter of 1876-7, together with his bond in the sum of \$250. for the faithful performance of the said contract, with James Maloney, as surety, were presented, read, and approved, and on motion the mayor and recorder were authorized and empowered to sign said contract in behalf of the city.

The resignation of William O'Brien as marshal of the city of Marquette, bearing date December 11th, was presented, read, and on motion, accepted.

Reports of Committees.

The committee on police, claims ^{and} grievances, to whom were referred the following claims, made written report recommending that the same be allowed ^{and} ordered paid and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the same:

Bill of E. M. Spalding, services as city surveyor. \$45.00

Bill of Charles Crowley, for board of prisoners 99.08

Which report was unanimously adopted by yeas ^{and} nays.

The same committee presented the following report

which, on motion, was referred to the city attorney, with instructions to report in writing whether the claim of John Beedon as harbor master was a legal claim against the city or not, recoverable by an action at law; and on further motion the committee on finance was discharged from the further consideration of the claim.

the words
never rendered
striken out Your committee to whom was referred the pretended claim of John Beedon for services never respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the council with the recommendation that the claim be not allowed for the following reasons, viz: The said John Beedon was only appointed for the season of navigation - 2d and was only to have a salary per month for the season, of \$50.00, and your committee find that said amount has been paid for seven months amounting to \$350. and that the said John Beedon, knew he was only appointed for the season, and only to receive therefor pay for the season of navigation, because he applied to members of the council before the close of the season to try and secure him pay through the winter because he needed it to live on.

Edward Fraser,
E. F. Eddy,
A. D. Lyons } Committee.

Reports of City Officers.

The city attorney presented the following report, which was unanimously adopted.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Marquette, in the Council assembled: Your city attorney, to whom was referred the question of whether Oyston's bill for damages by reason of razing his dwelling house during a fire that occurred in August last is a legal claim against the city or board, begs leave to report that he has carefully considered the same, and finds that in case the building in question was destroyed or removed to prevent a conflagration and necessarily so removed, there is no legal claim

for the damages arising therefrom against any one. Willow on Municipal Corporations, pages 712 and 756. 2 Kent, 388. 8 Metcalf, 462, 465. 18. Wendell, 126. 17 Wendell, 285.

The right to recover, if any exists, is founded upon Statute. Willow 713 and 757.

The power is conferred upon the water board. See water act approved March 2. 1869. Sections 6 and 10, which do not, I think, by any construction that can properly be placed upon them, empower them to demolish any more buildings than any other citizen would have the right to do in case of imminent danger, and for which no action will lie. As this determination renders it unnecessary for me to consider the other questions presented by the resolution, I forbear to discuss them. All of which is respectfully submitted.

John L. Cochran, City Attorney.

The recorder made written report showing that in the month of December, A.D. 1876, up to the 27th inst., he had collected no money on account of the City from any source whatever.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented, allowed and ordered paid by the vote of the Council taken by yeas and nays, (alderman Swineford not voting), and the recorder was authorized to draw orders for the same:

Bill of John McCabe, work on Hampton Street Bridge.	\$ 3.75
Bill of Joseph H. Primeau, salary as recorder and librarian, December.	66.67
Bill of George W. Fisher, salary as janitor for months of October, November and December	30.00
Bill of Alexander Ferguson, salary as marshal for months of November and December	116.66
Bill of John L. Cochran, salary as city attorney for months of October, November and December	125.00
Bill of J. Emery Morse, services as clerk of election in Third Ward	4.50
Bill of John T. O'Keefe, trying cases for breach of ordinances	6.00
Bill of Matthew H. Maynard, services as supervisor on Board of review, 1876.	9.00
Bill of Sidney Adams, services on boards of regis.	

tion and election, in Fourth Ward. . . . \$7.50
 Bill of E. F. Eddy. Same. 7.50
 Bill of Edward Fraser, lumber for cross-walks. 19.91
 Bill of Cleveland Iron Mining Co. 12 loads of
 rock for Front Streets. . . . 6.00
 Bill of A. P. Simeford, publishing council
 proceedings. . . . 48.80
 Bill of Henry D. Lyons, services on boards
 of registration and election in Third Ward. 7.50

The following account was also presented, and
 on motion, the same was referred to the committee
 on police, claims and grievances:
 Bill of the Marquette and Pacific Rolling Mill
 Company, square timber furnished street
 Commissioner in 1874. 13.86

Motions and Resolutions.

On motion of Alderman Cook, the recorder
 was authorized to draw an order in favor of
 William O'Brien for actual services rendered by
 him as Marshal between date of appointment
 and date of resignation.

Alderman Fraser presented the following, which
 was adopted:

Resolved, That the finance com-
 mittee be and they are hereby authorized to
 contract with the Sheriff of the county for
 board of city prisoners at a price not to exceed
 63 cents per day, and report the same to this council

Alderman Adams presented the following, which
 was adopted:

Resolved, That our supervisors be and
 they are hereby recommended to use their influence
 to secure an extension of time to March 1st 1877 for
 collection of taxes.

Alderman Fraser offered the following, which was
 adopted:

Resolved, That the city attorney be and he

is hereby authorized and instructed to consult with William P. Healy and W. H. Maynard in regard to the revision of the city charter.

On motion of Alderman Adams, the bill of George Oyster \$50. was allowed and ordered paid by the vote of the council taken by yeas ^{and} nays, as follows: Yeas, Aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Mullaly, Ralph ^{and} mayor; nays, Aldermen Cook, Lyons, Swineford ^{and} recorder.

On motion, the communication of the Marquette, Houghton ^{and} Ontonagon Railroad company by its general manager, Samuel Schoch, was taken from the table, and on further motion said communication was referred to a special committee consisting of Alderman Swineford, Fraser ^{and} Cook, appointed by the chair.

On motion, the council then adjourned.
Approved, January 22nd A.D. 1877.

Joseph H. Grimeau
Recorder.

Mayor.

1877

January
8th

Regular Meeting.

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the city of Marquette, held at the Council Chamber, on Monday evening January 8, 1877. The meeting was called to order by the mayor and the roll being called by the recorder there were present aldermen Mullaly, Fraser, Lyons, Adams and Eddy; absent aldermen Cook, Swinford and Ralph.

On motion of alderman Adams, the reading of the minutes of the preceding meetings was dispensed with.

Petitions and Communications.

The petitions of William Greene, Philip Morgan, August Koch and Edmund Powell, asking a rebate of taxes on personal property were presented, read and on motion motion, referred to the finance committee.

The petition of Mina Marks, widow of August Marks asking a rebate of taxes of \$66. on lot 12, Block 3, of the Cleveland Iron Mining Company's addition, was presented read and on motion referred to the finance committee.

The petition of Rev Mother de Chantal, Sister Superior of St Joseph's Convent, asking a rebate of taxes of \$103.02, upon Block 8, of Cleveland Iron Mining Company's addition to the City of Marquette (known as convent property), was presented, read, and on motion of Alderman Cook, the prayer of said petitioner was unanimously granted by the vote of the council taken by yeas and nays.

Reports of Special Committees.

The special committee consisting of Aldermen Adams, Ralph and Mullaly made the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Flaherty and twenty one others would respectfully report that they have considered the same and would recommend that the following named streets and parts of streets, upon which there are no sidewalks be inserted in the contract with Thomas Doyle, whenever said contract be executed. That said Doyle be required to keep one

one track open through the center of said streets with the snow plow, in accordance with the terms of his contracts for sidewalks, and that he paid therefor the additional sum of \$34.38: Arch Street, from Front to Fourth; Michigan Street, from Front to Oak; Front Street, north to Peter Leydon's House; Fifth Street, north to last house; Sixth Street, from Bluff to Ridge; Ridge Street, from Sixth to Seventh; Front Street, south to last house; Spring Street, west of Helen's to last house; Superior and Seventh Streets to Fisher; Hampton Street, whole length, Third, Division, Genessee and Champion Streets, from Hampton to Fisher Streets; Fisher Street west to Fifth; Waither Street, whole length.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Sidney Adams, Chairman.
Dated, Marquette, Jan 8. 1877.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented, allowed, ordered paid, and on motion, the recorder, authorized to draw orders for the same by the unanimous vote of the council taken by yeas and nays:

Bill of James Pickands and Co. nails for street commissioners	\$2.30
Bill of James Maloney, making 144 spikes, 48 lbs iron for street commissioner	3.80
Bill of Josephine Latting, scrubbing Council Chamber	6.00
Bill of Thomas Doyle, one day's labor on Ridge Street	1.50

The following claims were presented, and on motion referred to the committee on claims:

Bill of Charles A. Eggers, book of abstract of Chattel Mortgages for city.	\$24.00
Bill of Mr. Clafford, Stationery, &c.	8.95
Bill of E. M. Spalding, salary as city assessor for fiscal year ending in April	200.00
Bill of John F. Mack, same as above claim	200.00
Bill of Leonard J. Crary, 500 special meeting blanks	4.00
Bill of August Wachts, tax receipts	8.00

The following claims were also presented, and on motion, referred to the committee on streets:

Bill of Patrick Doyle, services as street commissioner from Nov 20 to January 8, 1877	\$28.50
Bill of William Johnson, snow plowing sidewalks	

before the contract of Thomas Doyle	\$16.00
Bill of Doyle brothers, team work on streets	7.00
Bill of Thomas Doyle. Snow plowing sidewalks and gutters	40.00

Motions and Resolutions.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, the Finance Committee was discharged from the consideration of all petitions referred to said committee, and on his further motion, there were laid on the table.

Alderman Fraser offered the following, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the city recorder be and is hereby authorized to consult with the city attorney, and put in legal shape the report of the Special Committee, and attach to the original contract for snow-ploughing with Thomas Doyle.

On motion the Council then adjourned.
Approved, January 22^d A.D. 1877.

Joseph A. Grimeau.
Recorder

Mayor

1877

January
22nd

Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette held at the council chamber evening, January 22nd, A.D. 1877. the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present Aldermen Cook, Fraser, Lyons and Eddy; Absent, aldermen Adams, Millaly, Ralph and Swinford - a quorum present.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 27th, of the special meetings of December 5th and 27th, and of the regular meeting of January 8th, 1877, were approved as published in the Marquette Mining Journal.

Petitions and Communications.

The petition of Joseph Rose, administrator of the Estate of Edward Lupton, deceased, together with certificate of Hon. Edward S. Hardy, judge of probate, of Marquette County, verifying the facts as set up in the said administrator's petition, asking a rebate of taxes on said lot 5, block 5 of Harlow's addition No 1. was presented read, and on motion, laid on the table.

The petition of Michael Atfield, Charles Lundström and that of John Moriarty, asking a rebate of taxes, on personal property, were presented, read and on motion, laid on the table.

The petition of Mrs. John Flynn, asking a rebate of taxes on lot No 19, block 1, of Cleveland Iron Mining Company's addition, and also on ten acres of land in section 27, town 48, was also presented, read, and on motion, laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

The street committee to whom was referred the following claims made written report which was unanimously adopted by yeas and nays, recommending that the same be allowed and ordered paid and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the amounts:

Bill of Doyle Brothers, team work on streets	\$7.00
Bill of Patrick Doyle, services as street commissioner.	28.50
Bill of William Johnson, snow ploughing sidewalks early in the fall.	16.00

Bill of Thomas Doyle, for^{tho} to apply on contract for snow-ploughing sidewalks and streets was allowed at \$35.00

The committee on police claims and grievances, to whom was referred the following claims, made written report recommending that the same be paid, by yeas and nays, and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the same except the bill of the Marquette & Pacific Rolling Mill Company for \$13.86, which being taken (separately), was also ordered paid by yeas and nays, alderman Cook was voting nay and the balance of the council voting yea;

Bill of E. M. Spalding for \$200. for salary as city assessor was allowed at \$175.00

Bill of Jno F. Mack, same as above claim. 175.00

Bill of L. P. Cravy, 500 special meeting blanks 4.00

Bill of H. A. Stafford for \$8.95 for stationery, &c was allowed at 8.60

Bill of Charles A. Eggers, abstract of Chattel Mortgages 24.00

And as to the bill of August Macks for blanks for tax receipts \$8.00, the same committee reported that the opinion of the city attorney was that the city was not liable for said bill, as the treasurer could either give written or printed receipts and receive his fee therefor.

Reports of City Officers.

The recorder and marshal made written reports, showing that they had collected no money from any source whatever, from January 1st up till the 22nd. inst., which reports were accepted, adopted and ordered placed on file.

John L. Cochran, city attorney, asked was granted further time to report on the claim of John Bleedon, late harbor master.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented and ordered paid, and the recorder authorized to draw

orders for the same by yeas and nays:

Bill of George W. Fisher, salary as janitor, January	\$10.00
Bill of Joseph H. Primeau, salary as recorder and librarian, Jan 66, 67	
Bill of Alexander Ferguson, salary as marshal, January	58.33
Bill of H. R. Haddock, services as juror.	1.00
Bill of A. R. Harlow, timber for culverts on Garden and Maple Streets	7.44

The following accounts were also presented and referred to the Committee on Police, Claims and Claims:

Bill of H. H. Stafford, stationery, &c.	\$2.75
Bill of Charles Crowley, board of City prisoners	10.52
Bill of B. Reidhark & Co. locks and tin ballock boxes for election Nov 7.	6.87

Motions and Resolutions.

Alderman Fraser offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the City attorney and Wm. P. Healy, be and they are hereby requested to prepare and present to this council within two weeks from January 23rd 1877, a list of any and all amendments deemed necessary by them to the City Charter and

Resolved further, when this council adjourn it shall adjourn to meet on Monday evening, January 29th 1877, at 7 1/2 o'clock, to consider the amendments to the City Charter.

Alderman Fraser offered the following, which was adopted:

Whereas, The board of Supervisors of the county of Marquette, having adjourned to the 9th day of February A.D. 1877, and having failed and neglected to extend and determine by resolution the time when August Mackie, collector, and the city treasurer of the city of Marquette, in said county, shall make his return to the county treasurer, there-
for.

Resolved, That the time for the collection of said taxes by said city treasurer be and the same is hereby extended one month from and including the first day of February, A.D. 1877.

Alderman Fraser also presented the following, which

was adopted:

Resolved, That the recorder be and he is hereby, authorized to publish in the Marquette Mining Journal, a newspaper published in the city of Marquette a notice to all tax-payers in the city, that any and all petitioners intending to ask for a rebate of taxes should present their said petitions to this council on or before the 10th day of February, 1877, or the same will not be allowed or considered.

On motion, the council adjourned until Monday, January 29, A.D. 1877, at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

Approved, Feb'y 5, 1877.

Joseph H. Grimeau

Recorder.

Mayor.

Adjourned Meeting.

1877

January
29th.

At an adjourned meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, January 29th, A.D. 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present, aldermen Cook, Mullaly, Fraser, Adams, Eddy, and Swineford; absent, aldermen Ralph and Lyons - a quorum present.

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

Alderman Fraser presented the following resolution, which was adopted.

Whereas, A petition has been presented to the state legislature, praying for the passage of a law to detach sections 34, 35 and 36 from the city of Marquette and attaching the same to the township of Marquette; therefore,

Resolved, That our Senator and representative from this district be requested to use every reasonable means to prevent the passage of that or any other law lessening

the territory of this city, and that the recorder send to each a certified copy of this resolution.

Alderman Swineford offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the city attorney and William P. Healy be, and they are hereby, authorized and instructed to put in legal shape the proposed amendments to the city charter, and report the same to the council as possible for approval or rejection.

On motion, the council ^{then} adjourned.

Approved, Feb'y 5, 1877.

Joseph H. Primeau
Recorder.

1877
Feb
5th.

Regular Meeting.

At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber on Monday evening, February 5th. A.D. 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called, by the recorder, there were present aldermen Ralph, Cook, Fraser, Lyons, Eddy and Adams; absent, aldermen Mullaly and Shimeford a quorum present.

The minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and on motion, approved.

Petitions and Communications.

The petitions of John H. Gillett, William Earle, Simon P. Sandmark, Mary A. Bohn, C. H. V. Caris and that of John H. Gillett, Sec'y of the Marquette Lumber Company, asking rebates of taxes, were presented, read and on motion, laid on the table.

The petition of J. H. Primeau, asking an increase of salary as Recorder, was presented, read, and on motion, referred to the committee on finance.

Reports of Committees.

The committee on police, claims and grievances, to whom was referred the following claims, made written report, recommending that the same be paid and the recorder, authorized to draw orders for the amounts - which report was unanimously adopted by the vote of the council taken by yeas and nays:

Bill of Charles Crowley, board of prisoners	\$10.52
Bill of J. Heidhark & Co., ballot boxes, locks &c.	6.87
Bill of H. H. Stafford, Stationery, &c.	2.75

The city attorney presented a report in reference to the claim of John Beedon, for services as harbor master, which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

The eighth annual report of the annual report of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners was pre-

serried, and on motion, referred to the Finance Committee.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were also presented, ordered paid and the recorder, authorized to draw orders for the same by the unanimous vote of the council taken by yeas and nays:

Bill of William Hyckoff, trying city cases \$13.55
 Bill of John L. Cochran, salary as city attorney, January 11, 66

The following accounts were also presented, and on motion, referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances:

Bill of Josephine Latting, cleaning Recorder's office \$4.00
 Bill of Wetmore and Brother, Paid Mrs. Menith, for cleaning of council rooms in 1873. 5.00

Bill of Moore and Moore, services and expenses in the cause of the City of Marquette vs. M. H. & O. R. R. Co. in Supreme Court 125.00

Motions and Resolutions.

On motion of alderman Fraser, the report of the Committee on police, claims and grievances, presented at the special meeting of December 24th A. D. 1876, in relation to the claim of John Beedon, late harbor master, for \$276.25, was taken up and considered, and on further motion, said report was adopted as amended, by striking out the two words "never rendered," by the vote of the council taken by yeas and nays, as follows: Yeas - aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser, Lyons and Mayor; nays - aldermen Cook, Ralph, and Recorder.

On motion of the Recorder, the claim of Thomas M. Laughlin for \$5. laid on the table at the regular meeting of November 29th 1876. was taken up, and, on further motion, referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances.

Whereupon the mayor presented the following:

Whereas, The term of office of William L. Wetmore, a member of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners of this city, will expire according to an act creating a board of Water and Fire Commissioners, approved, March 2nd. 1869, on Tuesday, March 6th A. D. 1877. therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said act, I, James Pickands, mayor, do hereby nominate

Byron P. Robbins, a qualified voter of said city, to fill said vacancy for the term next ensuing from said sixth day of March A.D. 1877, and respectfully ask that the Council confirm the nomination.

James Pickands, Mayor.

Thereupon, in pursuance of said nomination, Byron P. Robbins was duly and unanimously confirmed as member of the said Board of Water and Fire Commissioners, and duly declared as such member by the mayor for the term next ensuing from the said sixth day of March A.D. 1877.

On motion of the recorder, the petition of Sidney Adams asking a rebate of taxes of \$61.50, on his brick block on the east side of Front Street, presented at the regular meeting of January 10th 1876, and laid on the table at the regular meeting of February 21st 1876, was taken from the table, and on further motion was again laid on the table with the understanding that the same would be considered with other petitions, after the 10th day of February next.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, the Recorder was authorized to draw an order ^{of \$103.02} as voucher, in favor of August Machts City treasurer, for rebate of taxes, granted to Rev. Mother de Chantab, Sister superioress of St. Joseph's Convent, on Convent property.

On motion of Alderman Fraser, the minutes of the special meeting of December 27th 1876, were corrected so as to read "Claims Committee", instead of Finance Committee, page 68. Records, no 2. Sixth line.

On motion, the council then adjourned.
Approved, Feby 19th, A.D. 1877.

Joseph A. Primeau
Recorder.

Mayor.

1877
Feby
19th

Regular Meeting.

At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, February 19th, A.D. 1877, the council was called to order by Joseph H. Primeau, acting mayor, whereupon, on motion of alderman Fraser, alderman Swineford was elected clerk pro tem, and the roll being called by Mr. Swineford, there were present aldermen Adams, Cook, Eddy, Fraser, Lyond, Mullaly, and Ralph; absent, mayor Pickands.

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

Petitions and Communications.

The petition of A. Mathews, fire warden, asking the council to take into consideration the advisability of authorizing the fire warden of the city to employ a practical and competent mechanic to make a thorough examination of the chimneys and flues of the city under the direction of the warden, was presented, read and on motion referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances.

The petition of James A. Anderson, James Freeman, John Foley, Ellen S. Caples, and Jason M. Gregor, asking rebates of taxes, were presented, read and on motion, laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

The committee on finance, taxation and gas-lights presented the following report, which was adopted and ordered placed on file:

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of J. H. Primeau, bearing date February 5th, 1877, asking for an increase of salary as recorder, on the ground of necessary extra work performed and to be performed, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have decided me to report the same back to the council with the recommendation that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted, but that the mayor be and he is hereby authorized to examine said work claimed to have been done, and necessary to be done, and allow for the same a reasonable compensation, not exceeding one hundred dollars.

J. Adams, Chairman.

The same committee to whom was referred the eighth annual report of the board of water and fire commissioners, made also written report, recommending that said report be accepted and ordered placed on file - which report was adopted.

The committee on police, claims and grievances, presented the following report, which was unanimously adopted by yeas and nays:

Your committee to whom was referred the bills of Moore and Moore, of Detroit \$125; Josephine Latting \$4. clearing council rooms. Freeman and Bro. for Thomas M. Laughtlin \$5, and Wetmore Brothers. bill \$5. for cleaning council rooms by order of recorder, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the council with the recommendation that the recorder be authorized to draw city orders for \$125. for Moore and Moore, and \$4. for Josephine Latting. That the bill of Freeman & Bro. be not allowed, and the bill of Wetmore Bros. be considered in open council. And your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edward Fraser, Chairman.

Reports of City Officers.

The marshal and recorder made written report showing that they had collected no money from any source whatever from January 22nd, 1877. up to this date - which reports were accepted and ordered placed on file.

John G. O'Keeffe, Justice of the Peace, made also written report showing that he had collected and paid over to the city treasurer the sum of \$40.25. for fines imposed by him for breach of ordinances during the three months ending February 15. 1877.

The city attorney asked an extension of time till Thursday evening, Thursday evening, 22nd inst., in which to report amendments to the city charter, whereupon, on motion of alderman Adams, it was resolved that when the council adjourns it adjourn until Thursday evening.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented, allowed and ordered paid by yeas and nays, alderman Cook voting nay, and the balance of the council voting yea, and the recorder authorized to draw orders for the amounts:

Bill of George W. Fisher, salary as Janitor, Feby.	\$10.00
Bill of J. H. Primeau, salary as Recorder, ^{and} Librarian, February	66.67
Bill of John L. Cochran, salary as city attorney, February	41.66
Bill of Alex. Ferguson, salary as Marshal, Feby.	58.34
Bill of John Spalding, services as juror in case of city vs. Hattie French.	1.00
Bill of George W. Benedict, same	1.00
Bill of John E. Morse, same	1.00
Bill of John M. Calk, same	1.00
Bill of Carl Rohl, same	1.00
Bill of H. H. Stafford	8.50
Bill of Sally M. Levy, services on board of registration, April 1876	\$3.00

The following account was also presented and, on motion, referred to the finance committee:

Bill of Peter White, insurance on library and office furniture on \$750.	15.00
Insurance on pest-house \$4.00	6.00
	\$21.00

On motion, the bill of Wetmore and Brother for \$500 was considered, and the vote of the council being taken for the allowance of same by yeas and nays, was not allowed, yeas Aldermen Adams ^{and} Recorder; nays, aldermen Cook, Edely, Lyons, Mullaney, Ralph and Swineford, Alderman Tucker not voting. On further motion, said claim was recommitted to the finance committee with instructions to examine the city orderbooks to find out whether the same has not been paid.

Motions and Resolutions

Alderman Swineford presented the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the recorder be and he is hereby instructed to cause to be published on or before the 27th inst., the annual statement required by section 11, of chapter 5, of the charter of the city of Marquette.

, and furnish a copy of same to each member of the Council previous to the meeting required to be held on Tuesday, the 27th inst., provided the same can be done without extra expense.

On motion, the petitions presented and laid on the table, asking for rebates of taxes, were taken from the table and referred to a special committee of four, appointed by the chair, one from each ward, consisting of aldermen Swineford, Cook, Fraser and Adams.

On motion the council then adjourned until Thursday, February 2nd. A.D. 1877. at half past seven o'clock P.M.
Approved, Feby 26th A.D. 1877.

Joseph H. Primeaux
Acting Mayor.

Clerk pro tem.

1877
February
26th.

Special Meeting.

At a special meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, February 26, A.D. 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present aldermen Swineford, Cook, Muffley, Lyons and Fraser and Adams; absent, aldermen Eddy and Ralph. A quorum present.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 19th, 1877, were read, and on motion, corrected so as to read "Claims Committee," instead of finance committee, page 85, records No 2, thirty second line. On further motion, the said minutes were approved and corrected.

On motion of alderman Fraser, the general order of business was dispensed with, and the council proceeded to hear the reading of a part of the proposed amendments to the city charter, after which, on motion, the general order of business was taken up.

Petitions and Communications.

The petition of John Thong, asking permission to erect a frame ice house 14 x 20 in rear of his stone block on the east side of Front Street, was presented, read and referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances.

Reports of City Officers.

The recorder and treasurer presented their annual reports for the fiscal year ending February 27th, which, on motion, were referred to the finance committee.

On motion of alderman Swineford, the general order of business was dispensed with up to the 12th order.

Motions and Resolutions.

Alderman Swineford offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Recorder be and he is hereby instructed to notify supervisors Maynard, Merritt, Cook, and the Mayor, also the assessors, to be present at a meeting of the special committee, to whom was referred the petitions asking rebates of

of taxes, to-morrow. February 27th, at one o'clock P.M. and that the recorder be also authorized to telegraph assessor Spalding, at the expense of the city, that his presence is required at such meeting.

On motion of alderman Swineford, the special committee in reference to the communication of the Marquette Houghton & Ontonagon Rail Road Company, in regard to the opening of Spring Street across the property the property of that company from Front to Lake Street were discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Alderman Swineford offered the following, which was likewise adopted:

Resolved, That the proposed revision of the city charter, as it may finally be recommended by this Council, be submitted for ratification or rejection by the electors of the city at a public meeting to be called for that purpose in the common council chamber; and the recorder is hereby authorized to give notice of the time and place of meeting by printed notices to be posted throughout the city.

On motion, the council then adjourned until Tuesday evening, February 27th, A. D. 1877, at half past seven o'clock.

Approved Feby. 27th 1877

Joseph A. Grimeau
Recorder.

Mayor

1877
Feby
27th.

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the common council, held at the council chamber Tuesday evening, February 27th, 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present Aldermen Swineford, Cook, McCallaly, Lyons, Fraser, Adams and Eddy - absent, Alderman Ralph.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Reports of Committees.

The street committee made the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Haley, asking a rebate of taxes on lots No 9 and 10 of Hiram A. Burt's addition to the City of Marquette, for grading Seventh Street, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the council with the recommendation that the petition be not granted. H. D. Lyons, Chairman.

Alderman Swineford, from the special committee to which had been referred all petitions asking rebates of taxes, submitted the following report:

Your special committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry citizens and tax payers, asking rebates of taxes, which said petitions were presented to the council at its meetings held December 27th 1876, January 8th, January 22nd February 5th, and February 19th, 1877, having had the same under consideration, have directed me to report the same back to the council with the recommendation that the prayer of the petitioners - Mrs Emily Watson, James A. Anderson, Ellen G. Caples, Edmund Powell and John H. Gillett - be not granted; and your committee further recommend the allowance of rebates to the persons and in the amounts following, and that the recorder be authorized to draw orders for the several amounts whenever the respective parties shall exhibit to him the city treasurer's receipt, showing payment of the whole amount of tax assessed against the person or persons applying, for such order or orders, viz:

Allen Prentice, rebate

\$8.65

August Kock, rebate	17.50
William Earle, rebate	17.50
Charles Launstrom, rebate	7.00
James Freeman, rebate	35.00
Marquette Lumber Co., rebate	50.00
John Moriarty, rebate	7.
William Greene, rebate	7.02
John Boos, rebate (estate)	7.00
Jason McGregor, rebate	30.
Mrs Mina Marx, rebate	35.
Mrs Mary Bohm, rebate	10.
Swan P. Sandmark, rebate	7.
Philip Morgan rebate	3.50
C. H. V. Davis rebate	17.50
Sidney Adams rebate.	50.00
Mrs. Mary Flynn rebate	10.00
Michael Atfield rebate	3.50
Edward Longtime, estate, rebate	16.00

And your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All of which is respectfully Submitted.

A. C. Swineford, Chairman

The question being on the adoption of the report, alderman Fraser moved to amend the same by striking out the amount of rebate recommended to be allowed to William Earle - which motion prevailed, and the amendment so ordered to be made.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following accounts were presented, and on motion, allowed, by the vote of the council taken by yeas and nays, all the members present except alderman Swineford voting yea

Bill of A. C. Swineford, printing ^{and} advertising	168.00
Bill of A. C. Swineford, services on board of review, 1876.	9.00
Bill of D. H. Menitt, same	9.00

Motions^{and} Resolutions

Alderman Fraser offered the following: Resolved,

That when this council adjourns it be to meet on Monday night, March 12th, at half past seven o'clock, which shall be the regular meeting of this council. - Which resolution was not adopted:

Alderman Fraser^{also} offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the recorder be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to secure from the present treasurer and the late treasurer F. W. Moore, all city orders paid by them - and retain the same in the recorder's office after they are properly cancelled by said recorder.

On motion, the regular order was then dispensed with and the council took up the proposed revision of the city charter, and after some time spent in consideration of the subject, the council resumed the regular order, and alderman Adams, from the committee on finance and taxation, made the following reports.

Your committee to whom was referred the report of August Maack, city treasurer, of date of Feb'y 25, 1877, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the council, with the recommendation that said report be accepted and placed on file. Your committee also report that they have received from said city treasurer proper vouchers for all disbursements claimed to have been made by him as such treasurer for the past year and have delivered the same to the recorder for safe keeping.

S. Adams, Chairman

Which report was adopted.

(The Treasurer's report is published in the Marquette Mining Journal of March 3rd 1877) Page 5, of said Journal. -

Your committee to whom was referred the report of Joseph McQuinn, city recorder, of date of Feb'y 26th 1877, showing all the disbursements made by order of the common council of the city of Marquette, for the past year, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me, to report the same back to the council with the recommendation that said report be accepted and placed on file. - Your committee further report that they have examined the order book, in the recorder's office, and find that said book and the report of the recorder agree as to the number of orders drawn, and as to the amounts

for which they were drawn
S. Adams, Chairman.
Which report was likewise adopted.

The recorder's annual report was published in the Mar-
quette Mining Journal of February 24th 1877.

On motion, the council then adjourned.

Approved. April 5th A. D. 1877.

Joseph A. Grimeau
Recorder.

Mayor.

1877
March
5th.

Regular Meeting.

At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, March 5th, 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor and the roll being called by the recorder there were present aldermen Swinford, Cook, Mulhally, Lyons, Fraser, Adams and Eddy; absent, alderman Ralph.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the adjourned meeting of February 27th, 1877, was dispensed with.

Reports of Committees.

The finance committee, to whom was referred the \$21. claim of Peter White for insurance on post house, library and office furniture in the council chambers, asked and were refused further time, thereupon, on motion of alderman Swinford, said committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and the bill unanimously allowed and ordered paid by a vote taken by yeas and nays, and the recorder authorized to draw an order for the amount.

The committee on police, claims and grievances presented the following report:

Your committee to whom was referred the bill of Wetmore & Brother, \$5. and the petitions of John Thony asking permission to build a frame ice house back of his block on Front street, and A. Matthews asking authority to employ a competent mechanic to examine chimneys, &c. respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and would recommend that the recorder be authorized to draw an order in favor of Wetmore & Brother for \$5. and your committee return the petitions of John Thony and A. Matthews without recommendation and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edward Fraser, } Committee
E. H. Eddy

Which report was adopted by yeas and nays, alderman Cook voting nay, and the balance of the council voting yea.

On motion of alderman Swineford, the petition of John Thony was thereupon considered, and the prayer of said petitioner was, on further motion, granted by yeas and nays as follows: Yeas, aldermen Cook, Mullaly, Swineford, recorder ^{and} mayor; Nays - aldermen Adams, Eddy, Fraser ^{and} Syons.

On motion, the petition of A. Mathews was also considered, and, on further motion, the prayer of said petitioner was not granted.

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules alderman Swineford moved that John Fowley be allowed \$7.00 for rebate of taxes on personal property, the said rebate having been recommended by the special committee February 27th 1877, and the same omitted in said committee's report, which motion prevailed by the unanimous vote of the council taken by yeas ^{and} nays.

Presentation of Accounts.

The following account was presented, allowed & ordered paid, and the recorder authorized to draw an order for the amount by yeas ^{and} nays, alderman Swineford not voting, and the balance of the council voting yeas.
Bill of A. P. Swineford, publishing council proceedings \$42.70

The following accounts were also presented, and, on motion, referred to the committee on police, claims ^{and} grievances:

Bill of John Doetsch, for setting glasses to windows of city morgue. . . . \$1.25

Bill of Ball and Owen, cash paid for telegram to Peter White, Lansing, relative to amendments of city charter and for drafting bill of exceptions in Cleary case &c. . . . \$117.85

Motions ^{and} Resolutions.

On motion, the regular order of business was dispensed with, and the council then took up the proposed revision of the city charter, and after some time past

in consideration of the subject, the council resumed the regular order.

Thereupon, the mayor nominated to the council Frank W. Spear, as member of the Board of Water and Fire Commissioners, in place of Byron P. Robbins, he having refused to qualify as such member, which nomination was not ratified and confirmed by the vote of the council taken by yeas and nays, as follows: Yeas, - aldermen Adams, Fraser, Lyons and mayor; Nays - aldermen Cook, Eddy, Mullaly, Swinford and recorder.

On motion, the council then adjourned until Wednesday, March 7th, 1877, at half past 7 o'clock P. M.

Approved April 5th A. D. 1877.

Joseph H. Grimeau

Recorder.

Mayor.

1877
March
7th.

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the common council of the City of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Wednesday evening, March 7th, A.D. 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder there were present aldermen Swineford, Cook, Mullaly, Lyons, Fraser, Adams and Eddy; absent, alderman Ralph.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the adjourned meeting of February 27th, and the regular meeting of March 5th 1877, was dispensed with.

On motion, the regular order of business was also dispensed with.

Thereupon, alderman Swineford offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the attorneys be and they are hereby instructed to incorporate into the amendments to the city charter a clause basing the assessments for the grading and macadamizing of streets upon the valuation of abutting real estate.

Which resolution was laid on the table by the vote of the council, taken by yeas and nays, as follows: Yeas, aldermen Adams, Fraser, Lyons, recorder and mayor; Nays, aldermen Cook, Mullaly, Eddy and Swineford.

Thereupon, alderman Swineford moved to adjourn, which motion did not prevail by the vote of the council taken by yeas and nays as follows: Yeas, aldermen Cook, Mullaly, Swineford and Eddy; Nays, aldermen Adams, Fraser, Lyons, recorder and mayor.

On motion, the council then took up the proposed amendments to the city charter, and after some time spent in consideration of the subject the council, on further motion, adjourned until Monday, March 12th, 1877, at half past seven o'clock, P.M.

Adopted,

A.D. 1877.

Joseph A. Grimeau
Recorder.

Mayor

1877
March
12.

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday, March 12th, 1877, the Council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present Aldermen Swineford, Mulhally, Lyons, Fraser and Eddy - a quorum present.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the adjourned meeting of February 27th. of the regular meeting of March 5th, and of the adjourned meeting of March 7th, 1877, was dispensed with.

On motion, the regular order of business was dispensed with.

Thereupon, on motion, the council took up the proposed revision of the city charter, and after some time spent in consideration of the subject, the council, on further motion, resumed the general order of business.

Thereupon, the mayor to whom was referred the matter of fixing the recorder's compensation for extra work done for the city, at a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, made verbal report to the council, recommending that the said sum of \$100. be allowed and paid to said recorder as compensation for said extra work.

On motion of Alderman Swineford, the said sum of \$100. for extra work was allowed and ordered paid to said recorder, by a vote of the council taken by yeas and nays, the recorder not voting, and the balance of the council voting yea.

The city attorney, through his associate counsel, W. P. Healy, Esq. submitted a syllabus, showing the changes made in the charter as agreed upon by the council which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Motions and Resolutions.

Alderman Fraser offered the following, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the finance committee be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to examine rooms in the several blocks in the city and ascertain the convenience of the same for city purposes, as council rooms and recorder's office, and the annual rental thereof, and report the same at the next regular meeting.

Alderman Swinford offered the following, which was adopted:
 Resolved, That the city attorney be and he is hereby requested and required to submit to this council, at its next regular meeting, an opinion in writing as to the course necessary to be pursued to secure a proper and legal registration of the electors of the city, for the purposes of the ensuing and all future city and general elections.

Alderman Swinford offered the following, which was ~~also~~ adopted:

Resolved, That the recorder be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to call a public meeting of the tax payers of the city, by hand bills to be distributed through the city to be held Tuesday evening, March 13, 1877, at half past seven o'clock, for the purpose of considering the proposed amendments have been agreed upon by the common council.

On motion, the council then adjourned to meet after the meeting of the citizens, Tuesday evening, March 13th, 1877.

Approved. April 5th A.D. 1877.

Joseph P. Primeau
 Recorder.

Mayor

1877
March
13th.

Adjourned Meeting.

At an adjourned meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette, held at the Council Chamber, on Tuesday evening, March 13th, 1877, at half past ten o'clock P.M., the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present aldermen Swineford, Mullaly, Lyons and Fraser; absent, aldermen Adams, Cook, Ralph and Eddy.

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

On motion of alderman Swineford, the general order of business was dispensed with.

Motions and Resolutions.

Alderman Fraser moved to strike out the amendments made by the meeting of citizens, providing for the election of marshal, attorney and assessors by the people at the annual city elections.

Alderman Swineford moved to amend alderman Fraser's motion, by striking out the assessors only, so that the marshal and attorney should be elected by the people and the assessors chosen by the common council, which amendment prevailed. The motion, as amended, also prevailed.

On further motion, the attorneys were further instructed to insert a provision requiring the council to appoint such assessors on the second Wednesday of April in each year.

Alderman Swineford moved that the attorneys be authorized to send forward the revision of the charter, with memorial of council, asking the legislature for the passage of the amendments, which motion prevailed.

The council then adjourned.

Adopted April 5th A.D. 1877.

Joseph H. Grimeau
Recorder.

Mayor.

March
19th
1877.

Regular Meeting

At a regular meeting of the common council of the city of Marquette, held at the council chamber, on Monday evening, March 19th. A. D. 1877, the council was called to order by the mayor, and the roll being called by the recorder, there were present aldermen Mullaly, Lyons, Fraser and Adams; absent, aldermen Ralph, Swinford, Cookrd and Eddy. A quorum present.

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

Petitions and Communications.

The resignation of Elihu F. Eddy, as alderman of the Fourth Ward, was presented, read and laid on the table.

The petition of Simon P. Needham, asking the use of the common council chamber, for the purpose of holding religious services every Sunday, at 3 o'clock P.M. under the auspices of the Home Mission of Marquette County, was presented, read and on motion laid on the table.

A renewal of the bond of August Mlachts, city treasurer, in the sum of \$4,500, with J.M. Wilkinson and William L. Wetmore, as sureties, was presented, accepted and on motion approved and ordered placed on file.

The communication of A. Mathews, fire warden, calling the attention of the council to the dangerous existence of a great many chimblees for the passage of stove pipes through partitions &c, was presented, read and on motion, referred to the committee on police, claims and grievances.

Reports of Committees.

The finance committee presented the following report, with appended resolutions, which were adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred the resolution of alderman Fraser instructing your committee to examine the rooms in the several blocks in the city and ascertain the price and convenience of the same for city purposes,