

BOARD MEETING
December 31, 1873
Court House

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Dyersburg met this Wednesday evening December 31, 1873 at the Court House pursuant to adjournment.

Present Mayor Pinner, Aldermen Coker, DeBerry, McAllister, Sampson, Sugg and Doyle and Marshal Nichols.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed.

The Finance Committee were allowed further time to report.

Ordered that the Finance Committee receive from Marshal Nichols in settlement with him the Tax Books for 1870 – 71 – 72 and 1873. Upon his making out a list of all unpaid taxes due thereon, and submitting the same as a report – and that the committee give him credit for the amount of taxes yet due to the Corporation – and that the Book be turned over to the new Board. Also, let him show the amount of unpaid fines.

On motion the sum of Two Dollars and 25 cents was allowed and ordered to be paid to H. W. Vaughan for grubbing hoe and handle – all the Aldermen voting for the same.

On motion the sum of Three dollars was allowed and ordered to be paid to T.M. Neal for printing tax receipts – all the Aldermen voting for the same.

On motion the sum of One Dollar and 35 cents was allowed and ordered to be paid to J. C. Pinner – out of the Rail Road fund for an error in his taxes for Rail Road purposes – all the Aldermen voting for the same except Mayor Pinner who did not vote.

The following was presented, to wit:

“Whereas when I was Recorder and Treasurer of the Mayor and Aldermen of Dyersburg, Tennessee, I was directed by them to collect from T. J. Frazier, former Treasurer, the balance \$229.00 found against him on settlement of his treasurer’s account for 1870 and I failed to collect it, the balance. The balance in his hands was charged up to me and on my settlement. At the close of the year 1872 there was a balance against me including said Frazier’s balances of \$92.84 and the Mayor and Aldermen having put said claim against Frazier in my hands for collection. Now to put an end to all questions about the matter, I agree to pay said sum of \$92.84 as well as interest on it from the end of the year 1872 until paid or the Mayor and Aldermen indulging me until I have a chance to collect it from Frazier’s estate to pay.

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F. G. Sampson”

Which proposition was received and agreed to by the Board and the Treasurer is hereby directed to return to F. G. Sampson the One Hundred Dollars loaned by him to the said Treasurer on the 16th day of May 1873 – All the Aldermen voting for the same except DeBerry and Mayor Pinner.

On motion of Alderman Sampson the current and Rail Road Taxes charged against Mrs. M. F. Richardson, Ema Frazier and Mary Conyers and also against Mrs. Ruddes for 1873 are all hereby remitted.

Ordered by the Board that the Finance Committee, in settling with the Treasurer charge up to the Rail Road fund all claims paid out of the current taxes on account of any expenditures made by the Board for printing and preparing the Rail Road Bonds and all other matters growing out of said Rail Road expenses – and credit the same to the current tax fund.

On motion the sum of One Dollar and thirty five cents was allowed and ordered to be paid out of the Rail Road fund to C. J. Coker for error in the assessment of his property – all the Aldermen voting for the same except Coker who did not vote.

On motion the sum of One Dollar and twenty cents was allowed and ordered to be paid to C. J. Coker for an error in his assessment for 1873 of the current taxes – all the Aldermen voting yea except Coker.

On motion the Board adjourned until tomorrow evening.

J. C. Pinner, Mayor

Attest: W. C. Doyle, Recorder