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At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday January 16th 1880

Present H S Doggett, Mayor

J W Sener, Recorder

L O Magrath, T McCracken, J H Myer, J Hazard, J G Hurkamp, Benj'n Bowering, Jno C Minor, E D Cole and M G Willis (Mr Willis having been appointed by Judge Goolrick in place of J S Knox resigned) The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Mr Sener from the Finance Committee stated that in the absence of the Chairman the Committee were not prepared to report upon the tax account referred to them

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of the Committee on Com & Nav, submitted a written report, with statistics of the Nav & Commerce of Fredericksburg for the Year 1879, which was read, said report shewing the aggregate amount of Commerce \$2726355

And of Manufactures \$880550

On Motion, Mr Magrath

Resolved that the report of the Committee be received and that the same be published in one or more of the newspapers of the City and in pamphlet form as the Committee may determine

Mr Hazard, Chrmn of Gas Committee submitted a written report which was read also a proposal from Mr Fleming Supt of the Citizens Gas Co to light the Street lamps with Gas which was also read

On Motion the report of the Committee was received and filed

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Mr Sener from the Finance Committee presented bills of *Fred's News* for advertising amt'g to \$3.00 which were ordered to be paid.

Also the accounts of the overseer of the Poor for the Month of January amt'g to \$119.46 which were also ordered to be paid

Mr McCracken in the absence of the Chrmn of the Street Com, presented the report of the Committee upon the application of T McCracken to establish a Magazine for storing powder on his lot near the two Rail Roads, the Committee stating that the application of Mr Mc was granted

The Mayor stated that Mr Willis had been assigned to the Committee on Streets

A Memorial signed by a number of Citizens near the Rail Road protesting against the establishment of a powder magazine in this lot of Mr McCracken and praying the Council to rescind their action was presented and read

On Motion, Mr McCracken

Resolved that the memorial be referred to a special Committee to report at next meeting

The Mayor appointed as the Committee the members of the Public Property Committee

Mr McCracken presented a communication from Mr M Slaughter asking the Council that he be allowed \$50 for his services in preparing the Statistics of Commerce & Manufacturers of the City for 1879

Mr Minor moved that the appropriation for preparing statistics of Commerce & Manufacturers of the City for 1879 be increased in the sum of \$20.75 which was seconded and the vote taken [Page 173] by Ayes & Noes. It was carried by the following vote.

Ayes Mess'rs Hurkamp, Bowering, McCracken, Sener, Magrath, Hazard, Myer, Minor 8
Noes Mess'rs Willis & Cole 2

The Chrmn of the Gas Com was requested to continue the contract with the Gas Co for the present upon the same terms or until a new contract was made

Mr McCracken read a communication from Hon R L T Beale in reference to an appropriation by Congress for the improvement of the Navigation of the Rapp'k River
The Council then adjourned
H S Doggett, Mayor
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At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday February 20th 1880
Present H S Doggett, Mayor
J W Sener, Recorder
T McCracken, M G Willis, J G Hurkamp, J C Minor, C E Hunter, J H Myer, J B Ficklen, E D Cole
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr Minor from the Special Committee appointed by the Council to whom was referred the memorial of Citizens protesting against the establishment of a powder magazine on Mr T McCracken's lot near the Rail Roads submitted a written report which was read, the committee reported in substance that they had examined into the matter and found that the citizens in the locality of the proposed magazine were bitterly opposed to its establishment as injurious to their property's and the Committee recommend that the Council rescind its action granting Mr McCracken the privilege to establish the Magazine
On Motion, Mr Ficklen
Resolved that the report be referred back to the Committee to be reported upon at the next meeting of the Council with the understanding that in the meantime Mr McCracken will not store any powder in the Magazine until the matter is determined by this Council

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of the Finance Committee presented the accounts of the overseer of the poor for the month of January amt'g to \$159.24 [Page 175] also bills of *Fred'g News* for advertising amt'g to \$3.00 which were ordered to be paid.

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of the Finance Committee presented the following Report and Resolutions
To the Mayor and Common Council of Fred'burg
The Finance Committee of your Honorable body beg leave to submit the following report in reference to the delinquent taxes due this Corporation for the years 1865 to 1875 inclusive as stated in the tax book prepared by this Committee and its report at the regular meeting held on 3^d Friday in December to which we refer for details
This matter being again referred to us for our recommendation as to the best & quickest way of collecting the said taxes with or without suit state that they have examined the matter carefully and find that many parties owing to the way the books of the former collector were kept are ignorant of the tax bills being against their property being heirs or innocent purchasers of it, therefore in view of the existing state of facts and the Corporation not wishing to be oppressive or burdensome to its tax payers and being desirous to collect the amounts due as soon as possible so as to reduce as much as possible our tax bill for the next year, though every dollar & Interest is justly due the Corporation and can be made legally out of the property with costs &c, we unanimously recommend the following

Resolved that the tax Collector is hereby directed & authorized to receive from all parties who are delinquent for taxes for the years 1865 to 1875 [Page 176] inclusive their taxes without interest as now charged against them with the regular charge of 5% commission who will come forward and settle the same on and before the 1st day of April 1880, with the further abatement for the years 1867 to 1875 inclusive as allowed at that time of 2/3^{rds} of the amount to be commuted at 60¢ at 1.00 cents in the dollar remaining 1/3 @ 1.00 cents in the dollar.

Resolved that the Tax Collector give the Finance Committee security for the faithful performance of his duty and be allowed the same Commission as allowed for the Collection of the yearly taxes

All of which is respectfully submitted

Signed, J B Ficklen, J W Sener, J G Hurkamp

On Motion, Mr Minor, the report and resolutions were unanimously adopted

The resignation of Mr J W Mills as Scavenger of the upper ward was presented in writing and read and on Motion Mr Hurkamp the resignation of Mr Mills was accepted to take effect when his successor was elected and qualified.

Mr J Samuel Payne was nominated, balloted for and unanimously elected Scavenger of the upper ward for the unexpired term of Mr J W Mills, resigned

A Communication from MR W G Webb, Gen'l manager of the Washington Automatic Gas Light Co of Balto was presented and read, proposing to light the city with Gas under their process at \$20 pr lamp [Page 177] per annum

Mr Webb being present was on Motion heard on the subject

On Motion Mr McCracken, the communication was referred to the Gas Committee for report

Mr Minor presented and read a Memorial from sundry citizen barbers praying the Council to pass on ordinance requiring all the Barber Shops of the City to be closed on the Sabbath day.

Mr Minor moved that rule 23 be suspended for the present meeting, which was seconded put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and lost by the following vote.

Ayes Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Minor, Myer 4

Noes Mess'rs Sener, McCracken, Willis, Cole, Hunter 5

Mr Minor gave notice that at the next regular meeting he would introduce an ordinance requiring the Barber Shops of the City to be closed on Sabbath Days.

Mr Myer tendered his resignation as a member of this Council, Whereupon Mr Ficklen moved that the resignation of Mr Myer be laid on the table which was seconded put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and carried unanimously

The Council then adjourned

H S Doggett, Mayor

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At a called meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Thursday February 26th 1880

Present H S Doggett, Mayor

J W Sener, Recorder

J B Ficklen, T McCracken, L O Magrath, E D Cole, C E Hunter, J H Myer, J Hazard, J G Hurkamp, M G Willis

The Mayor stated that the Council was called for the purpose of considering an application from the American Union Telegraph Co for the privilege of putting up poles and carrying their wires through certain streets of the City

The application of the Am Union Telegraph Company was presented and read

Mr Otis Cole, construction Agent of the Company being present, he was on Motion heard on the subject of the application

Mr Ficklen presented the following which was unanimously adopted

Resolved, that the American Union Telegraph Company be allowed to erect poles for its line from the Rail Road Track up Water Street to Hanover and up Hanover Street to the Exchange Hotel and back again to the Rail Road Tracks; or from Scotts Bridge down Water Street to Hanover St and up Hanover St to the Exchange Hotel and along Hanover Street to the Corporate limits under the direction of the Street Committee of this Corporation, The poles to be straight, painted and forty five feet above the ground and so located as not to damage the property of citizens along the line, Provided that the said American Union Telegraph Co in accepting the privilege granted them by this Council agree to accept [Page 179] and conform to all laws & ordinances now in force relating to Telegraph Companies or that may be hereafter be passed by this Council

The Council then adjourned

H S Doggett, Mayor

At a called meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday March 5th 1880

Present H S Doggett, Mayor

J W Sener, Recorder

T McCracken, L O Magrath, Benj'n Bowering, Jno C Minor, C E Hunter, E D Cole, Jos Hazard, M G Willis

The Mayor stated that the Council was called at the instance of the Committee on Commerce & Navigation and as the Chairman of that Committee was present he would state the object

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of the Comm & Navigation stated that the object of the present called meeting was to consider the propriety of sending a suitable person to Washington to look after the application now before Congress for an appropriation for cleaning out the Navigation of the Rappahannock River, and in the judgment of the Committee it was thought that Hon E M Braxton was the most suitable person to represent our interests and he therefore offered the following resolutions which were [Page 180] adopted unanimously

1st Resolved that Hon E M Braxton be requested to proceed to Washington DC and there together with Hon R S T Beale our Representative in Congress lay before the proper Committee of Congress the Statistics of the Trade and Manufacturers of the City of Fredericksburg and the Rappahannock Valley for the year ending December 31st 1879, and urge upon the said Committee the importance of recommending an appropriation of not less than fifty thousand dollars for the improvement of the Rappahannock River so as to make easy navigation as far as Fredericksburg

2^d That the Committee on Commerce & Navigation with the Mayor and Hon J L Marye be appointed a Committee to visit Washington should it be deemed necessary, to act in conjunction with Mess'rs Beale & Braxton, in their efforts to procure the appropriation

3^d That the Committee on Com'e & Nav'n be and they are hereby authorized to pay the expenses of Mr Braxton and the Committee in the prosecution of this work.

Mr Magrath asked a suspension of the Rules for the Present Meeting in order to a personal explanation
On Motion Rule XXIII was suspended

Mr Magrath stated that it was known to the Council that the act passed by the last Gen'l Assembly of Virginia for the establishment of Water Works in Fredericksburg would expire on the 28th March next and that he requested our Delegate in the Legislature to have the act re-enacted [Page 181] with some unimportant change which was done. Mr M further stated that he designed to bring the matter before the Council before the passage of the Act by the Legislature, but owing to affliction in his family he was prevented; He laid before the Council a copy of the act
The Council then adjourned
H S Doggett, Mayor

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday March 19th 1880
Present H S Doggett, Mayor
J W Sener, Recorder

Benj'n Bowering, J B Ficklen, J H Myer, T McCracken, M G Willis, J G Hurkamp, Jos Hazard, C E Hunter, E D Cole, J C Minor, L O Magrath
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

On motion the minutes of the meeting held 26th Feb'y relating to the privilege granted the American Union Telegraph co were so amended as to read forty instead of forty five feet

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of the Finance Committee presented the account of the overseer of the poor for the month of Marck amt'g to \$151.77 also accounts of M W Adams amt'g to \$7.06 & Recorder Printing Co amt'g to \$1.50 [Page 182] which were ordered to be paid

On Motion Mr Ficklen, the time for payment delinquent taxes 1865 to 1875 inclusive was extended to 1st May 1880

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of Comm Commerce & Navigation reported that Maj E M Braxton who was appointed by the Council to visit Washington in the interest of the improvement of the Navigation of the Rappahannock, had returned and he submitted a communication from Major Braxton, which was read

On Motion the Report was received

Mr Minor from the Committee appointed by the Council in reference to the privilege granted Mr McCracken to locate a powder magazine on his lot near the Rail Roads submitted a written report recommending that the privilege granted Mr McCracken be rescinded

Mr Bowering from the same committee did not concur in the report and was opposed to rescinding the privilege granted Mr McCracken, while other parties were allowed to have Magazines within the limits of the Corporation.

Mr Minor moved that the privilege granted Mr T McCracken to establish a powder magazine on his lot near the Rail Road be rescinded which was seconded put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and carried as follows [Page 183]

Ayes Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Myer, Minor 4
Noes Mess'rs Hazard, Bowering, Sener, Willis, Cole, Hunter 6

Mess'rs Magrath & McCracken were excused from voting.

Mr Minor presented the following ordinance which was seconded put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and adopted.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg that hereafter it shall not be lawful for any Barber in this City to open his shop for the purpose of plying his trade on the Sabbath day and that hereafter no Barber shall in any public place ply his trade on Sunday, that any person that shall be found acting in the capacity of a Barber in any public place on the Sabbath day shall be subject to a fine of not less than five, nor more than ten dollars at the discretion of the Magistrate trying the case. And it is further ordained that it shall be the duty of the police officers to see that this ordinance is enforced and that one half of the fine collected or received under this ordinance shall enure to the benefit of the officer making the arrest

This ordinance shall be in force from its passage

The following is the vote upon the adoption of the ordinance

Ayes Mess'rs Ficklen, Bowering, Sener, Hunter, Hazard, Myer, Minor 7

Noes Mess'rs Hurkamp, McCracken, Magrath, Willis, Cole 5

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Mr Hazard submitted a written report of the action of the Committee in reference to inviting proposals for lighting the City with Gas, nothing had been heard from the Washington Automatic Gas Light Co The Citizens Gas Light Co proposed to light 50 lamps @ \$28 pr lamp and to keep the same in order

Mr Ficklen presented the following which was seconded

Resolved that the Gas Committee of this Council be and is hereby authorized to contract for one year from 1st April with the Citizens Gas Co for lighting the 50 lamps now up at \$26 each, the Gas Light Co to keep the same in order and repair and to burn on an average of nine hours per night except moon light nights and with the further agreement if the Council determine to light 10 more lamps, that they will reduce the price on all to \$25 each and keep the same on good order and repair; the Gas Co to furnish four feet burners for all the lamps now in use or to be put up hereafter and to light and extinguish the same

Mr Magrath moved to strike out \$26 and insert \$24 pr lamp which was seconded and put to the vote and lost by the following vote

Ayes Mess'rs McCracken, Magrath, Cole 3

Noes Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Bowering, Sener, Willis, Hunter, Hazard, Myer, Minor 9

The vote was then taken upon the resolution offered by Mr Ficklen and it was [Page 185] adopted by the following vote

Ayes Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Bowering, Sener, Willis, Hazard, Myer, Minor 9

Noes Mess'rs McCracken, Magrath, Cole 3

Mr Hunter presented an application from Mr Sam'l Keene for the privilege of creating a shed or awning on Commerce & Charles Street in front of his place of business.

The application was referred to the Street Committee for their action in the premises

A memorial signed by C L Cole & Bro & others owners of wagon yards asking to have the Market House lot closed against Horses, vehicles &c after Market hours, was presented and read and on Motion was referred to the Public Property Comm for report at a future meeting.

On Motion Mr Ficklen

The license tax on Wagons was fixed at \$8.00 and on Drays & Carts at \$4.00 for the year commencing on 1st April 1880

The Council then adjourned

H S Doggett, Mayor

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday April 15th 1880

Present H S Doggett, Mayor

J C Minor, E D Cole, M G Willis, Benj'n Bowering, T McCracken, L O Magrath, C E Hunter

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The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Mayor presented in writing the resignation of Mr John Sacrey as Scavenger of the Lower Ward to take effect on 1st day of May ensuing

On Motion, Mr Minor, the resignation of Mr Sacrey was accepted

Mr John P Rogers was nominated, balloted for and the ballots being counted he was unanimously elected Scavenger for the Lower Ware for the unexpired term form 1st May of ensuing of Mr John Sacrey resigned

Mr Bowering, Chrmn of the Pub Prop Committee stated that the Committee was not prepared to report at present upon the subject referred to them by the Council at its last meeting

The Mayor stated that he had been requested by Mr W L Slaughter to tender his resignation as Surveyor of the Corporation which he now did

Present: J H Myer, J W Sener, Recorder

Mr Sener asked and obtained leave to retire: Absent Mr J W Sener, Recorder

Mr Minor called the attention of the Council to the exposed condition of the burying ground of the Colored People known as Potters field, and suggested that steps be taken to have the same property enclosed.

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On motion, Mr Cole, the subject of enclosing Potters Field burying Ground and the title of the Corporation to the same was referred to the Public Property Committee for examination and report

Mr Hunter tendered his resignation as a member of the Council and on Motion, Mr Magrath, the resignation of Mr Hunter was accepted

Mr Myer tendered his resignation as a member of the Council on Motion, the resignation of Mr Myer was accepted: Mr Myer after the acceptance of his resignation retired

Mr McCracken, at the request of the Finance Committee presented the accounts of the overseer of the poor for the month of April amt'g to \$135.69 which were ordered to be paid

The Council then adjourned

H S Doggett, Mayor

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday May 21st 1880

Present H S Doggett, Mayor

J G Hurkamp, J B Ficklen, M G Willis, J C Minor, T McCracken, Jos Hazard, E D Cole, Benj'n Bowering

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

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Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of Finance Committee presented the accounts of the overseer of the poor for month of May amt'g to \$133.21, also bills of News Office for printing amt'g to \$7.50 which were ordered to be paid

Mr Ficklen presented the application of M Cahill to have remitted him \$5.50 for taxes paid by him erroneously in 1868, he alleging that the amount had been twice paid and exhibited the Collectors receipts for same.

On Motion, Mr Cole, the application of Mr Cahill was referred to the Finance Committee for examination & settlement if correct

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of Committee on Com & Navigation reported that upon telegrams read from Gen'l Beale our member of Congress & Colo Abert, US Engineers, the committee deemed it advisable to visit Washington and in conference with Mess'rs Beale & others they were satisfied now that Congress would appropriate \$25,000 for the improvement of our River

The Mayor reported the sum of \$36.00 as the amount of fines received by him from Jan 30 to date

Mess'rs Harris & Bro asked permission to place a sign opposite his wagon yard from the pavement across a portion of Commerce Street.

The permission was granted subject to the supervision of the Street Committee

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Present: Mr Magrath

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of the Street Committee in enclosing his lot near the Cemeteries (being a part of the Kenmore Plat) had against the remonstrance of the Committee placed his fence beyond the line of the Street in violation of the ordinance of the City; The Committee deemed it their duty though reluctantly to report the matter to the Council for their action.

On Motion, Mr Ficklen

Resolved that the Street Committee be authorized to employ a competent Surveyor to ascertain line or boundary of the Streets of the property referred to according to the Kenmore plat and that Mr Hurkamp be required to place his fence accordingly. The survey to be made in accordance with the Ordinance of the Corporation

Mr Ficklen moved the following which was seconded

Resolved that the Council accept the extension of Amelia Street from its present terminus to the Confederate Cemetery gate, also Douglas Street form Commerce to Lewis Street according to the survey & plat of the Kenmore property as laid down in said plot, Whereupon Mr Minor offered the following as a substitute, seconded

Resolved that all the streets as laid down in the plot of the Kenmore tract of land now open and hereafter to be opened shall be received and that the Street Committee be instructed to take charge of the various Streets as they shall be built upon and fenced and opened to the public. [Page 190]

Mr McCracken, moved that the substitute of Mr Minor be laid on the table which was seconded put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and carried by the following vote

Ayes	Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Bowering, McCracken, Hazard	5
Noes	Mess'rs Magrath, Willis, Cole, Minor	4

The question recurring upon the motion of Mr Ficklen, Mr Magrath moved that the same be laid upon the table which was seconded, put to the vote and lost

The vote was then taken upon the resolution of Mr Ficklen and it was adopted

The Council then adjourned

H S Doggett, Mayor

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday June 18th 1880

Present H S Doggett, Mayor

J W Sener, Recorder

M G Willis, L O Magrath, Benj'n Bowering, J Hazard, J G Hurkamp, J B Ficklen, E D Cole

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of Finance Com presented the accounts of the overseer of Poor [Page 191]

For month of June amt'g to \$128.39 which were ordered to be paid, also the following accounts Viz

Fred'g News office for adver'g &c amt'g to \$4.50

Star office for adver'g &c amt'g to \$17.75

Which were ordered to be paid

Mr Hazard from the Gas Committee reported the Lamps all in good order and the amount expended for Gas & repairs since the last report in March \$596.07. The report was received and ordered to be filed

Mr Magrath, Chrmn of the Pump Committee reported the pumps all in good condition wand the amount expended for repairs &c during the year \$195.84. The report was received and order to be filed

Present: T McCracken

Mr Hurkamp, Chrmn of the Park Committee reported the Park in improved condition and the amount expended during the year \$271.88. The report was received and ordered to be filed

Present: Jno C Minor

Mr Bowering, Chrmn Pub Prop Committee reported the amount expended for repairs fuel &c for the year \$327.81. The report was received and ordered to be filed

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of Committee on Commerce & Navigation reported the amount expended for the year \$95.10. The report was received and ordered to be filed

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Mr McCracken, Chrmn of Street Committee reported the Streets in improved condition and the amount expended since last report \$394.91. The report was received and ordered to be filed

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of the Finance Committee submitted the following report which was received and ordered to be recorded in the Minutes

To the Honorable Mayor & Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg

The undersigned Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of J J Young and R W Adams Treasurer to June 15 1880 and find they are correct as follows viz

There were uncollected on the hands of the Collector for Years 1876-77 at the last report (June 21 1879 amt'g to

To which add 5% & interest on collections \$303.20

Deduct payments made to Treasurer

Leaving uncollected & delinquent taxes

There were uncollected taxes in the hands of J J Young collector

for 1877-78 at the same date

To which add 5% & Int on Collections

Deduct payments made to Treasurer

Leaving uncollected & delinquent taxes

There were uncollected taxes in the hands of the Collector for 1878-79

At the same date

To which add 5% & Int on Collections

Deduct payments made to Treasurer

Balance uncollected & delinquent taxes

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The amount taxes assessed and place in the Collector's hands for Collection

1879-80

Licenses addnl

Rent of Hay Scales \$47.50, Market Stalls \$40, Town Hall \$50

Licenses on Drays & Wagons

5% Com'n & Interest

Total

Deduct payments made to Treasurer

Balance uncollected & delinquent taxes

Recapitulation of Taxes due and unpaid for 4 years

Uncollected taxes for 76-77

Uncollected taxes for 77-78

Uncollected taxes for 78-79

Uncollected taxes for 79-80

Which is composed as follows

Tax on Real Estate 1876-77

Tax on Personal Etc 1876-77

Tax on Real Estate 1877-78

Tax on Personal &c 1877-78

Tax on Real Estate 1878-79

Tax on Personal &c 1878-79

Tax on Real Estate 1879-80

Tax on Personal &c 1879-80

Total amt due on Real Estate

Total amt due on Personal &c

There was due R W Adams Treasurer at the last report June 21 79	2095.31
He has paid Int pr vouchers since	21890.28
Received from Collector since last report to date	23691.70
Less rebate	3692.31
	19999.39

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	19999.39	23985.59
Amount by Collector by Treasurer from 1866-1875 Taxes & delinquent	175.41	
For Fines \$40.75, Market Rates \$47.60, Exhibitions 2.50, Gas 50¢	91.35	20266.15
Balance due Treasurer this day		\$3719.44
The total expenses for the year ending Jun 15 80		21890.28
Receipts		20266.15
Showing a deficit for the fiscal year of		\$1624.13
The expenses for the fiscal year ending June 21 1879		22318.84
Receipts for the same time		20969.13
Showing a difference of expenses and receipts		\$1349.71

During the fiscal year our receipts were less than last year by \$702.98, the expenses were less than last year by 428.52; though we had to pay \$300 more interest than heretofore, also a coroners bill of \$218 & \$200 in Salaries which we had no expectation of when the Tax bill was levied making \$718 extraordinary expenses; It will be seen above that we are short \$1624.13 by reason of the Collections for the fiscal year which is only \$274.46 more than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 79 which was 1349.71

For the Fiscal year ending Jun 30, 78	745.60
Making a total due the Treasurer	\$3719.44
By the City as stated before to date	

It gives us pleasure to state that the accounts of the collector & Treasurer with Books & vouchers were all clearly and accurately kept which aided your committee in their examination. No little and we believe that the foregoing facts and statements are entirely correct in every particular

The funded debt of the City at the last report was	122,378.41
Funded since to date	165.67
	122,544.08
There has been purchased since for Sinking Fund	1215.67
The debt now is	\$121328.41

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Consisting of Bonds	121,000
Certificates	328.41
	\$121328.41

This is all the Debt of the City that we can hear of, except \$2500 of the old Bonds belonging to Miss Alexander as heretofore mentioned which we cannot get funded. The Bonds & Certificates bought for the Sinking Fund together with all the coupons paid have been burned by your Committee, The Finance Committee regret to have to report and ordinance increasing the taxes for the year 1880-1881 but as we have shown our expenses exceeded our receipts last year with all the economy that we could use and have done so for several years past, we deemed it best to meeting the emergency at once by a small increase in all the taxes & licenses which will not bear hard on any one class but on all alike.

The present tax bill will prevent our running behind hand in our expenditures over receipt next year and by a judicious and economical administration carry on our City Government, provide for our Public Schools, Poor, the Interest & Sinking Fund of our debt and reduce our floating debt or balance due Treasurer as above stated

Our people have had the benefit of very low taxes and still have in Comparison with other Cities in the State and although we have \$6168.26 due for taxes during the past 4 years leaves a small amount due us from 1866 & 1875 Yet a larger portion of it cannot be made or collected except by degrees or by a sale of the property. Therefore your Committee has considered it best to raise the taxes for the coming fiscal year rather than allow the debt to increase any further.

Respectfully submitted

Signed J B Ficklen, Chrnm, J G Hurkamp, J W Sener

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Mr Ficklen Chrnm of the Finance Committee submitted the following ordinance imposing taxes &c for the year 1880-1881 which was adopted

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Fredericksburg that the following taxes on persons, property, licenses and all other subjects of taxation shall be assessed, levied and collected for the year 1880-81, for the support of the municipal government, for the public schools and poor, and to pay the interest and provide a sinking fund for the ultimate redemption of the City debt: Viz

1 st On every male person over 21 years (not legally exempt)	50¢
2 ^d On all Real and Personal property, income, Toll Bridges and Ferries monied capital in any business, investments on Bonds in or out of the State and Stock in incorporated Companies on every \$100 assessed value	\$1.15
3 rd On all licenses as follows	
Private Bankers & Brokers (to included either or both)	\$150.00
Wholesale Liquor Dealers	\$150.00
Retail Liquor Dealers	\$70.00
Retail Liquor Dealers (with bar room privileges)	\$90.00
Bar Rooms	\$70.00
Commission Merchants	\$45.00
Sale of manufactured tobacco	\$4.50
Junk Dealers	\$35.00
Attorneys at law	\$13.00
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Physicians and Dentists	\$10.00
Livery Stables	\$14.00
Sale of Horses & Cattle	\$15.00
Wagon Yards	\$10.00
Eating Houses	\$16.00
Houses of private entertainment	\$7.00
Public Halls	\$15.00
Billiard Tables	\$25.00
Bagatelle Saloons	\$10.00
Photographic Artists	\$20.00
Agents for sewing machines	\$20.00
Each Life or Fire Insurance Company doing business in the City	\$30.00
Each Telegraph Company	\$25.00
Each Express Company	\$25.00
Each Steamboat Company for each steamer employed in the business	\$25.00
Land Agents	\$25.00
Pedlars	\$25.00
Book Agents	\$10.00
Agents for sale of Patent Rights	\$10.00

Auctioneers	\$40.00
4 th On all merchants (including dry goods, groceries, hardware, drugs, confectionary, millinery, tin ware, stoves, coal, wood, lumber, (butchers, green grocers, saddlers, jewelry) as follows	
Where State license does not exceed \$5	\$ 8.00
Where State license is over \$5 & under \$10	\$12.00
Where State license is over \$10 & under \$15	\$16.00
Where State license is over \$15 & under \$30	\$20.00
Where State license is over \$30 & under \$42	\$25.00
Where State license is over \$42 & under \$50	\$30.00

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Where State license is over \$50 & under \$60	\$50.00
Where State license is over \$60	\$60.00

5th On any property or business taxed by the state and not included in the foregoing; this tax shall be the same as that fixed by the State (except Theatrical & other Exhibitions which are taxes by special ordinance

6th A deduction of 10 percent shall be made on all taxes paid on or before 15th October next; of 5 percent on all sums paid after that date and before the 15th November next and of 2 percent on all sums paid after that date and before the 15 December next.

7th On all taxes remaining due on and after the 15th of December next, there shall be added 5 percent and interest from that date until paid and the Collector shall proceed to collect the same in the modes prescribed by law and the Ordinances of the City

8th The taxes imposed by this ordinance shall be payable in National Currency of the United States and in the Coupons of the 7% Bonds of the City to mature on the 1st day of November next (without rebate) in pursuance of the ordinance on that subject

On Motion Mr Ficklen Rule XXIII was suspended for the present meeting
Mr Ficklen presented the following which was adopted

1st Be it ordained by the Common Council [Page 200] of Fredericksburg that the following appropriations be made for the year ending June 30, 1881 out of the Revenue of the City Viz

For Interest & Sinking fund	\$10,000
Public Schools	2,400
Support of the Poor	2,000
Salaries of Officers	2,500
Police	450
Repairs of Public Property	450
Repairs of Streets	750
Repair of Pumps	250
Gas	1500
City Park	200
Commerce & Navigation	100
Contingencies	900
	\$21500

2^d That it shall not be lawful for the Treasurer to pay any amount in excess of the appropriation aforesaid and it shall be his duty to notify the Common Council at the next meeting if any of these appropriations are exhausted and not to pay any orders on him until further appropriations are made to meet the same.

On Motion Mr Ficklen, the Treasurer was directed to pay the Judges & Clerks of election for their services in the late municipal election six dollars each

The Mayor having reported favorably the Treasurer was directed to pay the police officers their salaries for the quarter ending 30th Inst

On Motion Mr Magrath, the Report of the [Page 201] Finance Committee was ordered to be published in one of the City Papers at the lowest rate

On Motion, Mr Ficklen, the tax bill was ordered to be published in the City papers

Application having been made by Mr O D Foster (through Mr Willis) for the privilege of erecting a shed in front of his store on Commerce Street, the privilege was granted under the supervision of the Street Committee

Mr Sener presented the following which was unanimously adopted
Resolved that the thanks of this Council are due and are hereby presented to Hon H S Doggett, Mayor for the able, faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body

The Mayor responded to the resolution in a few appropriate remarks after which the Council adjourned
H S Doggett, Mayor
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The Common Council elect of the City of Fredericksburg at the election held pursuant to Law on Thursday May 27th 1880 met at the Call of Hon J W Sener, Mayor-elect at the Council Chamber on Thursday July 1st 1880

Present J W Sener, Mayor

The following Councilmen elect having duly qualified according to Law (a certificate of qualification having been delivered to the Clerk of the Corporation Court by R W Adams Clerk of late Council) appeared and took their seats at the board viz

J G Hurkamp, Terrance McCracken, M G Willis, J S Knox, J Hazard, E D Cole, Benj'n Bowering, J B Ficklen, Chs Wallace, H S Doggett, W H Russell

The Mayor called the Council to order and stated that the first business in order was the election of Clerk of Council for ensuing year & the fixing of salary of same

The Salary of the Clerk of Council was fixed at seventy five dollars pr annum

R W Adams was nominated, balloted for, and unanimously elected Clerk of Council for the ensuing year

The Council then on Motion adjourned until 8 o'clock P M

J W Sener, Mayor

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At an adjourned meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Thursday evening, July 1st 1880

Present J W Sener, Mayor

J G Hurkamp, Benj'n Bowering, W H Russell, E D Cole, H S Doggett, M G Willis, J B Ficklen, T McCracken, J Hazard, Chs Wallace, J S Knox

Mr M B Rowe, Councilman appointed by Judge J Goolrick to fill the vacancy occasioned by the failure of W P Conway to qualify having qualified according to law appeared and took his seat at the Board

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

The first business in order being the election of Recorder, Mr Hurkamp nominated Mr H S Doggett, who was balloted for, and unanimously elected Recorder for the ensuing year

On Motion of Mr Bowering the salaries of all the officers of the Corporation were fixed at the same as the last year viz

Mayor \$300, Clerk Council \$75, Treasurer \$300, Comr Revenue \$250, Police Officers \$150, Clerk Market \$75, Overseer of Poor \$100, Collector of Taxes 2½% Commission on all sums received up to 15th December and 5 percent on all sums received after 15th December

Mr Jno J Young was nominated, balloted for and unanimously elected Collector of taxes for the ensuing year

Mr Roy Jones, G A Mills, R J Stone & J L Sibley were nominated, balloted for as Clerk of the Market and the ballots being counted resulted as follows

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For J L Sibley	7
For Roy Jones	2
For G A Mills	2
For R J Stone	1

Mr Sibley having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected Clerk of the Market for the ensuing year

Mess'rs R W Hart & John Tayloe were nominated & balloted for Weigher & Measurer of Coal, Grain, Lumber &c and the ballots being counted resulted as follows

For R W Hart	7
For Jno Tayloe	5

Mr Hart having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected Weigher & Measurer of Coal, Salt, Lumber &c for the ensuing year

On Motion, Mr Ficklen, the number of Police Officers to be elected was fixed at three

The following persons were nominated & balloted for as police officer Viz

J E Stone, C W Edrington, C D King, C A Gore, Js Gollahorn, M A Gately, J W Mills, and the ballots being counted resulted as follows

For C A Gore	8
For C W Edrington	5
For J E Stone	12
For C D King	4
For J W Mills	3
For M A Gately	3
For J A Gollahorn	1

Mess'rs C A Gore & J E Stone having received a majority of the votes were declared elected police officers for the ensuing year

A second ballot was had for the [Page 208] election of the remaining police officer with the following result

For C W Edrington	5
For A A Hudson	1
For C D King	4
For M A Gately	3

There being not election a third ballot was had with the following result (Mr Edrington's name being withdrawn at his request)

For A A Hudson 6
For C D King 4
For M A Gately 2

There being no election a fourth ballot was had with the following result

For A A Hudson 7
For M A Gately 2
For C D King 2
C W Edrington 1

Mr Hudson having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected Police Officer for the ensuing year.

Mr Albert Hooton was nominated and balloted for as Overseer of the Poor and ballots being counted resulted in his election unanimously

The Mayor announced the following standing Committees

On Finance, J B Ficklen, Chrmn, H S Doggett, J S Knox

On Public Property, Benj'n Bowering, Chrmn, M G Willis, J G Hurkamp

On Streets, T McCracken, Chrmn, E D Cole, M B Rowe

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On Pumps, W H Russell, Chrmn, Jos Hazard, Chs Wallace

On Commerce & Navigation, Chs Wallace, Chrm, T McCracken, J B Ficklen

On Gas, Jos Hazard, Chrmn, E D Cole, W H Russell

On Schools, Js S Knox, Chrmn, M G Willis, Benj'n Bowering

On Park, J G Hurkamp, Chrmn, H S Doggett, M B Rowe

The Council then adjourned

J W Sener, Mayor

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At a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday, July 16th 1880

Present, J W Sener, Mayor

H S Doggett, Recorder

Benj'n Bowering, W H Russell, J G Hurkamp, M B Rowe, Chs Wallace, T McCracken, M G Willis, E D Cole, J Hazard, J S Knox, J B Ficklen Jr

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

On Motion Mr Bowering

Resolved that when the Council adjourn, it adjourn until 3^d Friday in September next

Mr Hurkamp stated that before the close of the last Council fiscal year, he ordered for the Park 24 settees at a cost of \$102 and he wished to know if the present Council would receive them

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of Finance Committee presented the account of the overseer of the poor for the present month amt'g to \$114.13 which were ordered to be paid

Also an account of News office for advertising, amt'g to \$1.50 ordered to be paid

Mr Rowe offered the following which was seconded

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Resolved by the Mayor & City Council that the amount of \$102 for settees for the park be paid said amount to be in addition to the \$200 appropriated for current expenses of the park for the year

Mr Wallace objected to the resolution of Mr Rowe as being out of order

The Mayor ruled that the resolution was in order

Mr Wallace appealed from the decision of the Mayor and called for the Ayes & Noes

Ayes Mess'rs Doggett, Knox, Hazard, Rowe

Noes Ficklen, Bowering, McCracken Russell, Willis, Cole, Wallace

Mr Hurkamp not voting

Mr Wallace offered the following which was adopted

Resolved the proposition asking for an appropriation of \$102 to buy benches for the Park be referred to the Park Committee to report to the Council

The Council then adjourned until 3rd Friday in September proximo

J W Sener, Mayor

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At a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday, September 17th 1880

Present, J W Sener, Mayor

H S Doggett, Recorder

W H Russell, J G Hurkamp, T McCracken, Chs Wallace, Benj'n Bowering, M G Willis, J B Ficklen, E D Cole

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

A Communication from S W Howard, Agent, Adams Express Co was read asking a reduction in the License tax imposed upon the Company; on Motion, the communication was referred to the Finance Committee to report

Present: J S Knox, M B Rowe

The Mayor reported that the police officers had performed their duties faithfully for the past quarter, on motion, the Treasurer was directed to pay the Police Officers their salaries for the quarter ending 30th Inst

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of the Finance Com presented the accounts of the overseer Poor for the month of August amt'g to \$122.50 also R M Johnston a/c for medicines &c for the poor since April last amt'g to \$58.58

Also bills of *Fred'g News* for advertising &c amt'g to \$7.75, all of which were ordered to be paid

Mr A B Bowering, Commr Revenue, through Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of Finance Comm, presented to the Council the receipt of the Treasurer for the Books of Land, property & License tax for the year 1880-81; on Motion Mr Ficklen the [Page 213] Treasurer was directed to pay Mr Bowering his salary for the Year 1880 amt'g to Two hundred and fifty dollars

The Mayor reported the sum of \$37.75 collected for fines from July 1st to date

Present: J Hazard

An Application from C B Luck asking the Council to have the alley running from Princess Ann St to the rear of the Eagle Hotel lot opened and all obstructions removed so that he may have free use of the same, was presented and read

Mr Wallace presented the following which was seconded,

Resolved that the Street Committee be respectfully requested to grant the petition of C B Luck and have the obstructions on the alley running from Princess Ann Street to the rear of the Eagle Hotel removed without expense to the Corporation

Whereupon Mr McCracken moved as amendment that the alley be opened from Princess Ann to Main Street which was also seconded put to the vote and carried

Mr Knox moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the amendment of Mr McCracken was carried which was seconded and the Ayes & Noes being called the motion for reconsideration was carried by the following vote

Ayes Mess'rs Bowering, Russell, Willis, Knox, Hazard, Rowe 6

Noes Mess'r Cole 1

Mr McCracken excused and Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Doggett & Wallace not voting.

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The question recurring upon the resolution of Mr Wallace and the vote upon same taken by Ayes & Noes it was adopted

Ayes Mess'rs Bowering, Russell, Cole, Knox, Hazard, Rowe 6

Noes Mess'r Willis 1

Mess'rs Ficklen, Doggett, Hurkamp, Wallace & McCracken not voting

Mr Ficklen offered the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Street Committee be authorized to employ the County Surveyor or any other Surveyor to do the Surveying in the City whose work and acts shall be the same as if done by a Corporation Surveyor and be entitled to the same pay &c as a Corporation Surveyor would be if he did the work, when called upon by the Street Committee or any of the Citizens of the City under the ordinance

The Subject of the improvement of the extension of Prussia Street in the vicinity of Narrow Gauge Rail Road and of the title of the Corporation in said extension being brought to the attention of the Council, on Motion, Mr Ficklen the matter was referred to the Street Committee for examination and report

Mr Rowe offered the following which was seconded

Resolved that the Council require the removal of the fences across Washington Avenue from Commerce to [Page 215] Amelia Street

Mr Bowering moved to amend by requiring Washington Avenue opened from Commerce Street to the Monument which was seconded put to the vote and lost

Ayes Mess'rs Hurkamp, Bowering, Cole 3

Noes Mess'rs Ficklen, McCracken, Russell, Doggett, Willis, Knox, Hazard, Rowe, Wallace 9

The vote was then taken on Mr Rowe's resolution and it was adopted

On Application, signed by H R Gouldman, S S Brooke & D E Fleming for lamp posts at the corners of Sophia & Wolfe and Charlotte & Sophia streets was read and on Motion the same was referred to the Gas Committee with authority to act as in their judgment deemed best

The Council on Motion adjourned by the following vote the Ayes & Noes being called upon the matter

Ayes Mess'rs Hurkamp, Bowering, McCracken, Doggett, Willis, Knox, Wallace 7

Noes Mess'rs Ficklen, Russell, Cole Hazard, Rowe 5

J W Sener, Mayor
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At a called Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday, September 24th 1880

Present, J W Sener, Mayor

H S Doggett, Recorder

E D Cole, Benj'n Bowering, J G Hurkamp, Jos Hazard, M B Rowe, M G Willis, Chs Wallace, T McCracken, W H Russell

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Present: J B Ficklen

The Mayor stated that the Council was called for the purpose of electing City Scavengers for the ensuing year

On Motion, Mr Bowering, Rule XXIII was suspended for the purpose of considering an amendment to the Scavenger Ordinance which would be submitted by Mr Wallace

Mr Wallace submitted the following amendment to the ordinance concerning City Scavengers which was adopted

Section II, in twelfth line, after word, every, strike out the words "two weeks" and insert "once in every month from the 1st day of December until 1st day of April and twice in every two weeks from the 31st day of March until 30th day of November.

Section III after the words "the sum of," in 3^d line strike out the words "one dollar" and insert the words "twenty cents per month for the months commencing December 1st and ending March 31st and thirty three and one third cents per month for the months commencing on 1st day of April and ending 30th November [Page 217] strike out, after the words "services for each in 4th line, the words "three months".

Section VI, Strike out entirely or repeal.

Present: J S Knox

Mess'rs J P Rogers & J H Sacrey were nominated and balloted for as Scavengers for the lower ward and the ballots being counted the results as follows

For J P Rogers 11 ballots

For J H Sacrey 1 ballot

Mr J P Rogers having received a majority of the ballots cast was declared elected Scavenger for the lower ward for the ensuing year

Mess'rs J S Payne, S H Beale & G W Triplett were nominated and balloted for as scavengers for the upper Ward and the ballots being counted resulted as follows

For J S Payne 3 ballots

For S H Beale 8 ballots

For G W Triplett 1 ballot

Mr S H Beale having received a majority of the ballots cast was declared elected Scavenger for the upper Ward for the ensuing year [Page 218]

On Motion Mr Ficklen Rule XXIII was suspended for the present meeting

A petition signed by many Citizens asking that Washington Avenue be opened from Commerce Street to Washington Monument was presented and read

On Motion Mr Knox, the memorial was referred to the Street Committee by the following vote, the Yeas & Noes being called on the Motion

Ayes Mess'rs Ficklen, Hurkamp, Bowering, McCracken, Russell, Doggett, Cole, Wallace, Knox,
Hazard, Willis 11

Noes Mess'r Rowe 1

Mr G W Shepherd being present was on motion permitted to be heard on the subject of the opening of the Avenue

The resignation in writing of Mr J B Ficklen as a member of the Board of Trustees of Public Schools of Fredericksburg was presented and on Motion Mr Doggett the resignation was accepted

On Motion, Mr Doggett, the election of a School trustee in place of Mr Ficklen was postponed until next meeting.

J W Sener, Mayor

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At a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday, October 15th 1880

Present

Josiah Hazard, Councilman

There being no quorum present the Council stood adjourned

R W Adams, CC

At a called Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Tuesday, October 19th 1880

Present, J W Sener, Mayor

H S Doggett, Recorder

Benj'n Bowering, T McCracken, E D Cole, J S Knox, J B Ficklen, J Hazard

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of the Finance Comm to whom was referred the appn of the Adams Express Company for a reduction of the License tax imposed upon said Company submitted a written report recommending that the tax be adhered to, regarding the amount as reasonable.

On Motion the Report of the Committee was adopted

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of the Street Comm to whom was referred the petition of Citizens asking the Council to take steps for the opening of Washington Avenue to the Washington Monument submitted a written report, recommending that the application [Page 220] be granted

On Motion Mr Bowering the report was received and laid over until next meeting

Mr McCracken, Chrmn of the Street Comm reported verbally that the Alley below the Exchange Hotel had been opened in accordance with the resolution of the Council.

On Motion Mr Ficklen, the election of School Trustees was postponed until next meeting

On Motion, Mr Ficklen

Resolved that there be added to the Standing Committees a Committee on Ordinances

The Council then adjourned

J W Sener, Mayor

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At a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday, November 19th 1880

Present, J W Sener, Mayor

H S Doggett, Recorder

Benj'n Bowering, J Hazard, J S Knox, M B Rowe, M G Willis, J B Ficklen, Chas Wallace

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The subject of opening Washington was on Motion Mr Wallace postponed

Mr Ficklen, Chrmn of Finance Committee represented the accounts of the overseer poor for October amt'g to \$125.07 and November \$132.54, also an account of *Fred'g News* amt'g [blank] which were ordered to be paid

Mr R S Knox was nominated, balloted for and unanimously elected a Trustee of Public Schools for the ensuing 3 years from 1st November

Mess'rs W H Russell & P V D Conway were nominated, balloted for as Trustees of Public Schools and the ballots being counted resulted as follows

For W H Russell 3 ballots

For P V D Conway 5 ballots

Mr P V D Conway having received a majority of the ballots cast was declared elected Trustee of Public Schools for the ensuing three years

On Motion, Mr Ficklen, the Treasurer was directed to pay the Judges & Clerks of election the sum of Three dollars each for their services in the election November 3^d 1880.

The Council then adjourned

J W Sener, Mayor

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At a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fredericksburg held at the Council Chamber on Friday, December 17th 1880

Present, J W Sener, Mayor

H S Doggett, Recorder

W H Russell, Chs Wallace, M G Willis, E D Cole, Jos Hazard, M B Rowe

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The subject of the opening of Washington Avenue was laid over for the present meeting.

Mr Doggett from the Finance Com; presented the account of the overseer of the poor amounting to \$160.72 which was ordered to be paid

Present: T McCracken, J B Ficklen

The Mayor announced the following members as the Committee on Ordinances

H S Doggett, J B Ficklen, T McCracken

Present: Jas S Knox

Mr Ficklen asked to be relieved from serving on the Committee on Ordinances

Mr Willis moved that Mr Ficklen's request to be relieved from serving on the Committee on Ordinances be granted, which was seconded put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and carried

Ayes Mess'rs Doggett, Willis, Knox, McCracken, Hazard, Rowe 6

Noes Mess'rs Russell, Cole, Wallace 3

Mr Ficklen not voting

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Mr Willis moved that Wallace be appointed on Committee on Ordinances which was seconded

Whereupon Mr Wallace moved to adjourn which was also seconded and put to the vote by Ayes & Noes and lost by the following vote

Ayes Mess'rs Wallace, Cole & Russell 3

Noes Mess'rs Ficklen, McCracken, Doggett, Willis, Knox, Hazard, Rowe 7

Mr Wallace moved to adjourn until Friday next, which was seconded put to the vote and carried by the following vote

Ayes Mess'rs Wallace, Russell, Hazard, Cole, Doggett, Rowe 6

Noes Mess'rs Knox, Willis, McCracken, Ficklen 4

On Motion Mr Wallace, the vote upon the adjournment until Friday next was reconsidered

The Mayor reported the Fines to day from last report as \$20.50, he also report the police officers had discharged their duties for the past quarter and the Treasurer was ordered to pay the Police Officers their salaries for the quarter ending 31st December

The Council then adjourned

J W Sener, Mayor