BOARD MEETING August 8, 1871

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met at the Court House. Present: Mayor DeBerry, Aldermen Chamblin, Pinner, Roberts, Thurmond and Sampson and Marshal Nichols.

The Treasurer reported on conference with the Marshal that the Mayor and Aldermen owe about \$210.00.

On motion it is ordered that the present Treasurer move against T.J. Frazier, late Treasurer, for the funds in his hands.

The President of the Mississippi River Railway Company, by attorney, this day presented a memorial to the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Dyersburg, praying the Board to order an election to be held to allow the qualified voters of the Corporation of Dyersburg to determine by ballot whether they are willing to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Dyersburg to make a subscription of \$50,000 to the capital stock of the Mississippi River Railway Company, to be paid in the bonds of said Town, which bonds shall be due and payable in one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten years from the date of issuance – and to be as interest at six per cent per annum payable annually – for the purpose of assisting in preparing the road bed of said railway through Dyer County. And said Memorial was accompanied with a Statement of the cost of the work through Dyer County.

On the suggestion that the citizens wish to hold a public meeting in the interest of the Town, the Board took a recess to attend public meeting.

The public railroad meeting and the Board reassembled, and to allow time for further deliberation, the action on said Memorial by the passage of an Ordinance was, on motion, postponed until tomorrow night.

On motion the Board adjourned.