

**BOARD MEETING**  
**September 22, 1873**  
**Court House**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Dyersburg met tonight, Monday September 22, 1873 at the Courthouse on call of his Honor the Mayor.

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

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

The Mayor announced that he had called the Board together to consider of the proposition to levey a tax to meet the maturing interest on the Rail Road Bonds – and to transact any other business that may be brought before the board.

Alderman Doyle moved that this Board now levey a tax upon all subjects of taxation within the Corporate limits to meet the interest falling due on the Rail Road Bonds on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November next – which motion prevailed by the following vote – Yeas, Mayor Pinner, Aldermen McAllister, Coker, Sampson and Doyle – 5 Noes Aldermen Sugg and DeBerry – 2.

Alderman Sugg entered his protest to said levey of taxes – he insisting that the Rail Road Company had not complied with the condition of the Subscription made by the Town authorities, to the Capital stock of said Company and that said Rail Road Company was bound by the contract to finish the road to Dyersburg before any part of said subscription, principal or interest was due and payable. On motion of Alderman Sampson the following taxes are hereby levied to pay the interest coupons due on the Rail Road Bonds on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November next – To wit:

On all real and personal property, within the Corporation limits, taxable by the State, Forty-five (45) cents on the hundred dollars.

On merchants a privilege tax of Twenty (\$20) Dollars.

On Grocers, a privilege tax of Twenty (\$20) dollars.

On Tipplers a privilege tax of Twenty (\$20) dollars.

On Druggist, a privilege tax of Twenty (\$20) dollars.

On livery or sale stables, a privilege tax of Ten (\$10) dollars.

On Barbers, a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On Bakers, a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On Jewelers, a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On Tanners, a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On Hotels, a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On each billiard table, a privilege tax of Two Dollars and fifty (\$2.50) cents.

On all other tables of whatever name used for play, profit or gaming – a privilege tax of Two Dollars and fifty (\$2.50) cents.

On Photographers, picture takers and etc. a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On Peadlers of every description, a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

On sewing machine agents a privilege tax of Five (\$5) dollars.

**On all other privileges, taxed by the State, one half the amount of the State Tax.**

**On all polls, One Dollar.**

**Those voting for the above assessment were Mayor Pinner, Aldermen Coker, Sugg, Sampson, McAllister and Doyle.**

**Alderman DeBerry voted no.**

**On motion the Recorder was directed to make out the list of taxable property and polls, as above assessed – and that he follow the last assessment made by him for the current taxes, making such change only as has resulted since said assessment by sale and transfer of property and that he make out and deliver to the Collector, the Tax Book as herein contemplated, as soon as the same can be done.**

**On motion Marshal Nichols was appointed Rail Road Tax Collector and his Commission for collecting the same, fixed at 3 ½ %.**

**The Board being informed of the fact that J. A. Humes died today, in destitute circumstances, the Mayor was directed to have his remains decently burned and to report the bill therefore to this Board for payment.**

**On motion the Board adjourned until the next regular meeting.**

**J. C. Pinner, Mayor**

**Attest: W. C. Doyle, Recorder**