

BOARD MEETING
October 2, 1873
Court House

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Dyersburg met tonight, October 2nd 1873, the regular monthly meeting at the Court House.

Present Mayor Pinner, Aldermen DBerry, McAllister, Sugg, Sampson and Doyle.

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

On motion the sum of Fifteen Dollars was allowed and ordered to be paid to David Adams, for making a coffin for J. A. Humes – all the Aldermen voting for the same.

On motion the sum of Five Dollars was allowed and ordered to be paid to E. G. Sugg for surveying Hales Addition last spring – all the Aldermen voting for it.

The committee appointed to locate the streets in Hales Addition were allowed further time with instructions to submit their report at the next meeting in November next or sooner if they can.

The committee sent out to buy a safe in accordance with a former order of this Board, reported as follows, Pinner and McAllister reported against buying any safe at all – Doyle for buying it.

Neither report was received and Alderman McAllister moved that the whole question be definitely postponed – which motion prevailed.

On motion of Alderman DeBerry the Privelege Tax assessed at the last meeting was reconsidered.

On motion of Alderman Sampson the following taxes are hereby assessed to meet the maturing interest on the Dyersburg Paducah and Memphis Rail Road Bonds, which said interest will be due and payable on the 10th of November next, which said levey is in addition to that assessed when Real and Personal property on the 22nd of September last – and is in lieu of the Privilege Taxes then assessed, to wit:

On merchants and grocers, druggists a tax of Forty Five Cents advalorem on the amount of foods _____, merchandise on hand on the 10th of October 1883 – all the Aldermen voting yea.

The following specific or Privilege Taxes are hereby assessed for said Rail Road purpose. To wit:

On Tippers or Saloon Keepers, a specific tax of Ten Dollars - \$10.

On Barbers a specific tax of Two Dollars and fifty cents.

On Bakers a specific tax of Two Dollars and fifty cents.

On Billiard or other tables used for playing or faming of whatever description, a specific tax of Two Dollars and fifty cents each.

On Circuses and Menageries a specific tax of Ten Dollars for each day or day and night.

On all other shows or exhibitions, not heretofore declared free by law, Five Dollars for each day or night or day and night.

All the above assessments are made to meet the interest falling due on said Rail Road Bonds as aforesaid.

All the Aldermen voting for the same except DeBerry and Mayor Pinner who voted No.

And the following specific tax is hereby levied for said Rail Road purpose as aforesaid. To wit:

On each Livery Stable or Livery and Sale Stable a Privilege Tax of Five Dollars – all the Aldermen voting yea.

The following was introduced and passed unanimously, to wit:

Be it ordained that hereafter all Bonds of the Town of Dyersburg already issued or any which may hereafter be issued for any purpose, shall not be assessed for any Corporation purposes whatever.

Ordered by the Board that the Recorder require every Merchant, Grocer, Druggist and every firm to send a sworn statement of the amount of good they have on hand on the 10th day of October 1873 estimating at invoice cash and that he collect the tax thereon (at 45/100 per cent) before the 10th day of November next.

J. C. Pinner, Mayor

Attest: W. C. Doyle, Recorder