

**BOARD MEETING**

**June 6, 1887  
Court House**

Be it remembered that on Monday night, June 6, 1887 the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for Dyersburg met at the Court House in regular session.

Present Mayor Thomas, Aldermen Smith, Watkins, Turner, Brackin, Hayes and marshal E. L. Smith.

Minutes of last meeting read, approved and signed.

On motion report of committee in adulterated food was read and committee discharged and report adopted and reads as follows:

**Ordinance**

Be it enacted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Dyersburg, Tennessee, that it shall be a nuisance for any person or persons to sell or offer for sale willfully or knowingly any food, vegetables or country produce of any kind that is adulterated, decayed or in any manner made impure or unwholesome, as an article of dirt. All persons violating this ordinance, if found guilty, shall be fined not less than five nor more than fifty dollars for each offense. This ordinance to take effect from and after its passage the public welfare requiring it. June 6, 1887.

On motion report of committee on having Town map made and Town surveyed was read and committee discharged and warrant for seventy five dollars ordered issued in payment of oath to Mr. A. C. ?.

On motion committee on leasing lot to Standard Oil Co. discharged.

On motion report of committee on assessing the damages to E. C. Pate read and committee discharged, said damages being paid by the Marshal cleaning out the pond.

On motion committee on leasing lot to Cotton Seed Oil Co. reported that they had leased said lot for 90 years to be used for manufacturing purposes – not less than five thousand dollars, improvement to be put up on same within 12 months and said lease to be null and void if for any cause the same should not be success.

On motion committee on leasing lot to warehouse co. continued.

On motion following accounts were allowed:

984 – Tucker House	\$ 8.00
985 – Dyer Co. ?	\$ 1.30
986 – Mrs. Woodsides	\$ 2.00
987 – J. P. Truman	\$ 2.80
988 – A. M. Stevens	\$39.44
989 – Dr. Summer	\$13.00
990 – M.T. Brackin	\$ 8.15
991 – Jno. T. Boon	\$ 1.75

On motion petition for walk on Fowlkes Street was laid on table for the present.

On motion committee was appointed to confer with Shepard in regard to lot for bath house – Wm. Turner, G. B. Miller.

On motion request of Mr. Hawkins for pavement was laid on table.

On motion committee was appointed to make report in regard to selling lot to J. T. Hendrick.

On motion Mayor Thomas and Marshal Smith were appointed as committee on ? pavement.

On motion banisters were ordered put up at foot of Iron Bridge on levy running 40 or 50 feet.

On motion Marshal was instructed to ? the Mill Co. to put in sewer on street south of Mill within 10 days.

On motion Mayor was instructed to have the map of Dyersburg framed provided the Bank of Dyersburg will allow it to be hung in their bank.

On motion Marshal Smith was allowed to advertise for 30 days and hold an election to ascertain the voice of the voters of Dyersburg, Tennessee in regard to issuing school bonds to the amount of five thousand dollars.

On motion the following health ordinance was passed, to-wit:

At a meeting of the Board of Health and city physicians last Monday at 2 o'clock p.m. the following ordinance pertaining to the spreading of Scarlet Fever was recommended to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and was passed by that body at their regular meeting on Monday night. Whereas, Scarlet Fever, a contagious disease, has appeared within the Corporation limits of the Town. By the advice of the Board of Health and the physicians of Dyersburg, be it ordained by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Dyersburg:

1<sup>st</sup> - That all cases of Scarlet Fever shall be strictly isolated. No person being allowed to enter the room containing such case but the physician and nurses and said nurses shall not be allowed to mingle with outsiders.

2<sup>nd</sup> - The room occupied by such case of Scarlet Fever shall be thoroughly disinfected by keeping in open vessels in the room chloride of lime. All excretions of the patient shall be disinfected with a solution composed as follows: sulphate of zinc 8 oz., carbolic acid 1 oz., water 3 gallons - all clothing and ? used about said patient shall be thoroughly disinfected by ? in the above disinfecting solution for three hours before being sent to the wash. Finally after termination of said case the room occupied shall be thoroughly fumigated with burning sulphur for six hours before being again occupied.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Every house containing a case of Scarlet Fever shall be designated by a red flag placed on the front gate or door.

4<sup>th</sup> - Any person violating this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than five or more than fifty dollars.

5<sup>th</sup> - All patients convalescing shall remain on premises three weeks. No children under ten years of age will be allowed on the street until further notice.

6<sup>th</sup> - This ordinance to take effect from and after its passage the public welfare demanding it. Adults are not subject to this disease but leave your children at home.

F. Summers

E. R. Vernon

H. T. Ferguson

**J. P. Walker**

**T. R. Moss**

**W. A. Fowlkes**

**Members Board of Health and City Physicians.**

**The above was adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the purpose of trying to stop the spread of this dreaded disease and I hope all parents will cheerfully comply with this order.**

**B. L. Thomas, Mayor**

**Attest: W. R. Hayes, Recorder**

**On motion Board adjourned.**

**Mayor and the Board of Health**