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Saturday Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1898  
 Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was  
 held on above date at 1 o'clock P.M.  
 Mayor S. T. Wright presiding  
 present Aldermen George Ruth, Horrell, Kornwood  
 and Hawlett total 5.

Reading Minutes of previous meeting dispensed  
 with  
 the Mayor stated that the meeting had  
 been called to devise some means to secure  
 peace on Election day.

Ald Hawlett offered the following Ordinance

Ordinance  
 for  
 Elections  
 1898

Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Board of  
 Aldermen of the City of Wilmington, NC, and it  
 is hereby ordained by the authority of the same  
 that it shall be unlawful for any person  
 or persons to sell or give away in the City  
 of Wilmington, or within one mile of same  
 any Whisky, Wine, Beer, Ale or brandy or other  
 intoxicating drinks between the hours of 11:30 O  
 Clock P.M Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> 1898 and  
 November 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 O'clock A.M.

Shall be fined not exceeding 75 Dollars or  
 imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.

Ratified and unanimously adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day  
 of November 1898 at 1 P.M.

Moved by Ald Gore that the Mayor be empowered  
 to appoint 100 Special policemen for Election day  
 unanimously carried

The meeting then adjourned

Wm Struthers  
 Clerk & Treas

Mondy Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1848

Regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held on above date at 8 o'clock PM

Mayor S. P. Wright presiding

Brown 116<sup>th</sup> Gov. with Benson Monroe Green  
Norwood 4<sup>th</sup> Swann 1<sup>st</sup> total 8

Minutes of previous meetings read and approved.

Reports of Committees called for.  
The Mayor reported that the Roof of the City Hall & Opera House had one good coat of Paint and the Gutters had two Coats put on.

A Communication from G. D. Parsley asking permission to rent 35 feet of Market House at a rental of \$ per Month and be allowed to erect a building upon same 30 + 40 feet to cost about \$100 the rent to go toward paying for Building until paid to him the Building to be the property of the City.

Referred to a Committee to look into the matter and report at next meeting.

The Mayor appointed Ald. Gov. Smith & Norwood

The following permits to Build were Granted -

McCanville	Building 6 <sup>th</sup> & Market St
Mrs J. F. Garrelle	3 <sup>rd</sup> bet Walnut & Cedar
Mrs Geo West	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grace Front & 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Allie Townsend	7 <sup>th</sup> Howard & Taylor
W J Meredith	Slabbe in ally running from 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Market Sts Grace & Chestnut the property of Dr Knight

A Communication from the Board of Audit & Finance in regards to the Hydrants 6<sup>th</sup> & Swan & 6<sup>th</sup> & Monte Sts was read and laid over.

The resignation of Policeman Saml Hale was read and accepted.

A Communication S. McMillen Super of Health was read in regards to an ordinance regulating the repairing and laying sewers in the City referred to City Atty to draw ordinance

We do solemnly and sincerely swear that we will truly and impartially perform the duties of aldermen of the city of Wilmington N.C. to the best of our ability and judgement.

We further solemnly and sincerely swear that we will support the Constitution and Laws of the United States and the Constitution and Laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith

So help me God

J  
John H Hanby  
C. M. Gano

James W. Frazer,  
Henry P West

W. H. Sprunt.

Hugh MacRae.

J. C. Mayton

P. J. Bridges

C. C. Wood

A. J. Baldwin

B. S. King

F. A. Montgomery

G. L. Speer

Oath of Mayor of the city of Wilmington

I Alfred M. Haddell do solemnly swear that I will diligently endeavor to perform faithfully and truly according to my best skill judgment and ability all the duties of the office of Mayor of the city of Wilmington N.C. while I continue therein and will cause to be executed as far as my power extends all the Laws Ordinances and Regulations made for the government of said city and in the discharge of my duties I will do equal justice in all cases whatsoever

I do further solemnly swear that I will support and maintain the Constitution and Laws of the United States and the Constitution and Laws of the State of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith

So help me God  
A. M. Waddell

Swear and subscribed  
to before me this 10<sup>th</sup>  
day of November 1898.

Martin Fennigan J.P.

Thursday Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. 1898.

Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on above date at 4 o'clock P.M.

Mayor S.P. Wright presiding

Present Aldm. Gov. Hewlett, Benson, Tanning,

Green & Norwood total 6

Reading moments of previous meeting dispensed with

Moved by Ald. Gore that Mr C.H. Ganzier be elected as an Alderman from the first Ward vs A.J. Walker  
Mr Ganzier was duly elected and sworn in as an Alderman from the first Ward

Moved by Ald. Gore that Mr H.P. West be elected an Alderman from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward vs W.E. Springer

Mr West was duly elected and sworn into office as an Alderman from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward.

The Resignation of A.J. Hewlett as Alderman from the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward was read and accepted.

Mr C.W. North was nominated and elected as an Alderman from the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward. Mr North was duly sworn in as Alderman from 4<sup>th</sup> Ward.

The resignation of D. Lyon <sup>44<sup>th</sup> Ward</sup> was accepted

Mr O.L. Bridges was nominated and elected an Alderman from the 44<sup>th</sup> Ward. Mr Bridges was duly sworn in as Alderman from 44<sup>th</sup> Ward

The resignation of D.J. Benson as Alderman from the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward was accepted and Mr B.F. King was nominated and elected. Mr King was duly sworn in as Alderman from the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward.

The resignation of J.G. Norwood as Alderman from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward was accepted and Mr W.H. Spence was nominated and elected. Mr Spence was duly sworn in as Alderman from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward.

The resignation of H.C. Tanning as Alderman from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward was accepted. Mr J.W. Stremes was nominated and elected. Mr Stremes was duly sworn in as an Alderman from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward.

the resignation of Em Green as alderman from the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward was accepted and Mr A.B. Skelding was nominated and elected. Mr Skelding was duly sworn in as alderman from the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward.

The resignation of Frank Melton as Chief of Police was accepted and Mr E.G. Parmolee was nominated and elected. Mr Parmolee was duly sworn in as Chief of Police of the City of Wilmington. He immediately came forward and took charge of the Police force.

The resignation of D.S.P. Wright as Mayor of the City was accepted and Ald. King placed in nomination Col A.M. Waddell for Mayor.

Ald. Bridges was appointed Teller and Col A.M. Waddell received 8 votes and declared unanimously Elected Mayor of the City of Wilmington N.C.

Major Waddell came forward and had the oath of office administered to him by M. Newman Jr. He then took the chair and made a few very appropriate remarks.

Moved by Ald. Worth that a Vote of thanks be tendered to the retiring Board (Carried)

Moved by Ald. King that the Mayor be authorized to have sworn in 200 Special policemen right away

Moved by Ald. Worth that M.H.F. Gouverneur be appointed asst. Chief of Police (Temporary)

No further business the meeting adjourned

Wm. Struthers  
Clerk-Treas.

Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1898

Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on  
above date at 13 o'clock P.M.

Mayor A M Waddell presiding

present Aldm Ganzier. Kramer. Braggs. Sprunt.  
Skidling. Stig. North & West total 8

The Mayor Stated the object of the meeting was to  
reorganize the Police force and take action in regards  
keeping peace.

Chief of Police Parmalee Spoke about the Police force  
and said that he only had on duty 9 policemen last  
night and 4 this morning and that he had 3 more  
in about 200 Special policemen last night.

Moved by Ald North that Mayor be authorized  
to confer with the Military as to police the City  
Amended - that the Mayor issue a proclamation  
for all good Citizens to stay at their homes tonight  
that the city will be fully Policed. (Carried)

The resignation of Aldm Ch Morrell as alderman  
from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward was read and accepted.

The resignation of Dr. Breyer Supt of Streets was  
read and accepted

Moved by Ald Sprunt that the Mayor with the Chief of  
Police be instructed to appoint a Provisional Police force  
sufficient to protect the City. the final appointments of  
said force to be left with the Board of Aldermen.

The Officers of the Military were present and the Mayor  
stated the object of Ald North's motion and explained  
at some length as to what he wished done

Ald Walker Taylor Spoke upon the situation and  
offered the assistance of the Military.

Moved by Ald North, the meeting to meet Nov 12, 1898  
and hold a continuous session until  
Police force

Nov 12<sup>th</sup> 1898

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held  
on above date at 9 o'clock A.M.

Mayor AM Waddell presiding  
present Aldm King, West. North. Sprunt Bridger  
Skelding Stramer Gangier total 8  
Pending minutes of previous meeting dispensed with

Upon Motion of Ald Bridgers the following persons were  
elected as temporary Policemen for the City:  
H H Woobee. J D Orrell. J T Danks Geo H Ward. Jno J Furley  
J M King. J H Gammie. Leon George Ed George. Henry Tietgen  
Alex Wells. H D George. L Bowers. Robt Green. R T Rowan. J G Long  
L J McConney. J H Gilliken. Chas Burnett. Sam Jones.  
D W Chadwick. B P King. Geo W Smith W M Harris. J M Brooks  
J L Sallings. Nathan Williamson. W C Moore. E Penner.  
J A Martin. Jas H Hewitt. Jas Brinsley. Nick King.  
Jno J Smith. E C Woodbury. F J Skipper Jno S Ham.  
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Moved by Ald Skelding that a Committee be appointed  
to select competent men for the Police force and report  
them to the Mayor & Chief of Police for appointment.

The Mayor appointed Aldm Skelding North & West. Wards

be appointed for 30 days. the Board audit & finance  
Concurring. Comis

Moved by Ald Sprunt that the Ordinance adopted  
by the last Board of Aldermen in regards Closing of  
the Saloons be Continued in force until Wednesday  
Nov 16<sup>th</sup> 1898 at 12 o'clock noon. Comis

The resignation of Ald B F Keel from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward  
was read and accepted.

There being no further business the Board  
thus adjourned until Monday 14<sup>th</sup> at 3 o'clock P.M.

M. B. Stratton

Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1898

Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held  
on above date at 3 o'clock P.M.

Mayor H.W. Waddell presiding  
Aldermen Ganzin, Kramer, West, Spratt, Bridges,  
North. Stirling King told 8

Reading minutes of previous meeting dispensed with.

Upon Motion of Aldm North - Wsp J Allen Taylor and  
Hugh MacRae were unanimously elected  
Aldermen from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward -

Mr Taylor & MacRae came forward took the  
oath of Office and took their seats as Aldermen  
from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward.

Moved by Ald North that the Mayor be authorized  
to appoint V.B. Montgomery as Messenger

Moved by Ald Bridges that the Ordinance Closing  
the Bars until Wednesday be adhered to <sup>Carried</sup>

No further business the meeting was adjourned  
until 8 o'clock the 15<sup>th</sup> <sup>(same)</sup>

Wm Shutter  
Clerk

Nov 15<sup>th</sup> 1898

Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on  
above date 8 o'clock A.M.

Mayor AM Waddell presiding  
present alder Ganzier Kramer Sprount West MacRae Taylor  
Briggs Worth Skelding King total 10

The Mayor read the Board of Chief of Police E.G. Parmalee  
which was accepted

The Mayor read the appointments of Committee

		Finance	
MacRae		Worth	King
West		Markets	Bridges
		Ganzier	
		Police	
The Mayor	Taylor	Skelding	Sprount
Skelding		Lights	
King		Ganzier	Worth
Ganzier		But Building	Bridges
The Mayor	Taylor	Kramer	West
Sprout		Sanitary	
		King	
		Streets & Wharves	Skelding
		MacRae	
		Water Works	Worth
		Kramer	
		Fires & Explosives	
The Mayor		Hospital	
MacRae		Sprount	King
Worth		Ordinance	
		Bridges	Kramer

A communication from residents of the vicinity of 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
in regards an Electric Light was read and upon  
Motion of Ald Taylor it was referred to the Light Committee

Moved by Ald Worth that the Bars be allowed to open  
at 6 o'clock A.M. on the 16<sup>th</sup> After discussion an Aye  
Vote was taken which resulted in a tie and the  
voted 20- and declared the motion lost.

Moved by Ald Skelding that all applications  
be referred to their respective Committees

Coms

The Mayor declared a recess for 30 minutes.

upon reassembling the Committee placed the following  
persons in nomination for the respective positions and  
they were duly Elected.

Mr Thos H Johnson Clerk Front St Market

J H Thornton " Front "

Jno J Furlong  
G G Skipper  
J L Sallings  
Jos R Davis  
J D O'Neill  
R A Benson  
J A Lane  
G W Cameron  
M Stirchbaum  
J A Perry

Captain of Police  
Lieutenant  
1<sup>st</sup> Sgt  
2<sup>nd</sup> " "  
3<sup>rd</sup> "  
Day, Jailor of City Hall  
Night " "  
Health Officer  
Supt of Streets

Moved by Ald Skelding that the Police force stand  
as it is at present and the Committee visit the  
Suburbs with the Chief and see how the City Guards

Coms

upon Motion of Ald Worth the meeting  
Adjourned until Nov 16<sup>th</sup> at 3 o'clock P.M.

W Shrether

clerk

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> 1898

Special Meeting of Board of Aldermen was held  
on above date at 10 o'clock AM

Mayor AM Waddell presiding  
present Aldm Sprunt Ganzier, Sprunt, Worth, Taylor, MacKee,  
Bridges, Worth, King & Steling total 10

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of  
the Fire Committee.

The Committee placed the following persons names  
in nomination for the respective position and  
they were unanimously elected.

J J Bell	Engineer of Engines No 2
A Freemuth	Foreman " " 2
M F Dowling	Hose Reel Co No 3

Firemen

Theo Swann, Jas Roderick E O Allen, Jack J Lumley,  
Jas J Jordan, Melvin E Godwin, Gus Clayton, W E Watson  
Jas S Bryan, Robert Otto, R S Carter, Chas E Smith  
W M Godwin, J P Bland, Ben Bowden, Jno Barnes.  
C J Green.

Moved by Aldm Taylor that the Salary of the Foremen  
and Engineers be made equal \$45. per Month

upon Motion of Ald Sprunt Geo Irving was  
elected <sup>Carrd</sup> Cattle Weigher

Moved by Ald MacKee that the Mayor, appoint a  
Committee with instructions to purchase two  
Horses, Bridles, Saddles & Blankets for the use of  
the Police for Patrolling the City at Night  
as Mounted Police. <sup>Carrd</sup>

The Mayor appointed Aldm MacKee & Eg Parmelee  
Chief of Police the Committee.

Moved by Ald Worth that all officers who have  
not tendered their resignation be and are  
now discharged. <sup>Carrd</sup>

No further business the Board adjourned upon  
vacate of Mayor <sup>application made</sup>