

Wednesday Evening April 19<sup>th</sup> 1865

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held Wednesday Evening April 19<sup>th</sup> 1865. at 8 O'clock. P.M. we had the following proceedings to wit.

The Mayor took the the Chair and called the Council to order.

Present. Aldm. Anderson, Bishop, Morow, Broadwell, Coats, Curry, Dallman,  
Morse, Myers, & Post. 10  
Absent Aldm. Rippon and Wohlgenuth 2.

Aldm. Anderson, from the Committee on Ordinance, submitted the following ordinance, appropriating Twenty Thousand Dollars towards defraying the funeral expenses of Abraham Lincoln, late President of the United States

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Springfield, appropriating Twenty Thousand Dollars to defray the expenses of the funeral of Abraham Lincoln.

Whereas, our City the Home of Abraham Lincoln has in pursuance of his own desire and the assent of the Nation been selected as the final resting place of his mortal remains

And, whereas no appreciating the responsibility that rests upon us to properly solemnize the sad occasion forced upon us by an event that has overwhelmed the Nation with sorrow,

Sec 1<sup>st</sup> Therefore be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Springfield, that, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the funeral solemnities

Sec 2<sup>nd</sup> And be it further ordained that said Twenty Thousand Dollars be raised upon Bonds issued by said City, that said Bonds be designated, Bonds issued to defray the funeral expenses of Abraham Lincoln sixteenth President of the United States. That they each be for the sum of \$500.00 Five hundred Dollars, shall be dated the day of their issue, shall bear interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, shall have annual interest coupons thereto attached, shall be payable within Five Years from the date thereof, at the City of Springfield, and shall be signed by the Mayor of the City of Springfield, and the Comptroller of said City under the corporate seal of said City

Sec 4<sup>th</sup> And be it further ordained that the Mayor of the City of Springfield be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to negotiate and raise the money on said Bonds, and appropriate it or so much thereof as may



be necessary for the purposes by this ordinance prescribed.

Referred to Committee on Ordinance, who made the following report:

To the City Council of the City of Springfield, April 19<sup>th</sup> 1865  
Your committee on Ordinance, to whom was referred an Ordinance in relation to making an appropriation of Twenty Thousand Dollars to defray the expenses of the funeral expenses of Abraham Lincoln late President of the United States, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report in favor of granting the same.

Committee, M. K. Anderson, }  
W. C. Myers }.

On motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Coats, the report was received, and the ordinance passed, those voting in the affirmative being, Ald<sup>n</sup> Anderson, Bishop, Brown, Broadwell, Coats, Curray, Gallman, Morse, Myers, and East, 10

Alderman Myers offered the following order:

'Ordered, that committee of one Alderman from each ward be appointed by the Mayor, to act in conjunction with the committee on the part of the citizens to make arrangements for the funeral of late President Lincoln.

Adopted, Committee All Anderson, }  
" Brown, }  
" Broadwell, }  
" Myers }

On motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Myers, the following named gentlemen were appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the committee appointed by the citizens, to select a suitable burial place for the remains of the late President Lincoln.

Committee, J. Penn, Chairman, }  
Capt. J. W. Smith, }  
J. Tilton, }  
A. W. Ridgley, }  
F. J. Dennis Mayor. }

On motion of Ald<sup>n</sup> Myers, the Council Adjourned.

Attest O. H. Abel City Clerk, Approved, Thomas J. Dennis Mayor