Wednesday Evening April 17th 1865

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held Wednesday Evening, April 17th, 1865, at 8 o'clock P.M., we had the following proceedings to consider:

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


Ald. H. Rippe and N. Blomquist 2.

Ald. Anderson, from the Committee on Ordinances, 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 sense of the nation been selected as his final resting place of his mortal remains.

And whereas we appreciate the responsibility that rests upon us to properly extenuate the sad occasion forced upon us by an event that has overwhelmed the nation with sorrow.

Sec 1. Therefore be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Springfield, that, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars be and the same be hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the funeral ceremonies.

Sec 2. 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 late President of the United States. That said Bonds be for the sum of Twenty thousand Five Hundred Dollars, shall be dated the day of their issue. Shall bear interest at the rate of ten per cent. for annum. Shall have annual interest coupons thereof 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. 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.

Resolved to commit on Ordinance, who make the following report:

To the City Council of the City of Springfield, April 19, 1865

Upon 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 said the same under consideration, by leave to report in favor of granting the same.

Committee.

Mc. K. Anderson, \[Signature\]
W. G. Myers

On motion of Mr. Coates, the report was received and the ordinance passed, three voting in the affirmative being, Mr. Anderson, Bishop, Bass, Blanchard, Coates, Curley, Dallman, Myers, and Allen, 10

Alameda Myers offered the following order

"Ordains that committee of one Alameda from each ward be appointed by the Mayor to act in conjunction with the committee on the part of the City to make arrangements for the funeral of late President Lincoln.

Adopted.

Committee.

Allen Anderson,
Bass,
Blanchard,
Myers

On motion of Alameda Myers, the following named gentlemen were appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the committee appointed by the City to select a suitable burial place for the remaines of the late President Lincoln.

Committee.

J. Penn, Chairman,
Kraft, \& Smith.
P. Estabrook,
J. H. Nesbitt,
E. \& L. Dennis, Mayor.

On motion of Alameda Myers, the Council Adjourned.

Adopt
O. C. Hill
City Clerk

Approval
Thomas, Dennis Mayor.