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The Council met in regular session at the City Hall at 8:30 o'clock

P.M. Present- Mayor Sutherland, City Clerk, City Attorney, aldermen Bernard, Bridgman, Friedman, Hall, Green, Mitchell, Wallace, Warner

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

A communication was then received and read from J. N. Kleck offering to deed to the City of Benton Harbor approximately ninety (90) acres of land fronting on Lake Michigan, same to be used for a public park, whereupon the following resolution was introduced and read:

WHEREAS, on this date, May 7th, 1917, J. N. Kleck and Carrie E. Kleck, his wife, have tendered to the Common Council of the City of Benton Harbor, Michigan, a certain deed, wherein and whereby said parties transfer and convey to the City of Benton Harbor that certain parcel of land in the Township of Benton, County of Berrien and State of Michigan, described as follows, to-wit:-

Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 113 in the Plat of Long Beach; thence easterly along the northerly line of lots 113 and 116, Long Beach, to the Westerly line of Grand Boulevard in the Plat of Higman's Michigan Park; thence southeasterly along the southerly and westerly line of said Grand Boulevard on a line which at every point is sixty-six feet distant from the northerly and easterly line of said Grand Boulevard to the intersection of the southerly line of said Grand Boulevard with the north and south line running through the center of section 13, town 4 south, range 19 west; thence south along the east line of the northwest quarter of said section 13 to the Paw Paw River; thence westerly and southerly down along said river to a point where the westerly shore of said Paw Paw River intersects with the southerly line of the northwest quarter of Section 13; thence westerly along the southerly line of the northwest quarter of said section thirteen produced to the low water mark of Lake Michigan; thence northeasterly along the low water line of Lake Michigan to a point where the north line of Lot 113 in Plat of Long Beach produced westward intersects the low water mark of Lake Michigan; thence east along said line to the place of beginning.

The above description includes all of Block 29 in Higman's Michigan Park and all the Plat of Long Beach, except Lot 115 and land west of said lot and between same and Lake Michigan, and

WHEREAS, said deed contains a covenant and condition that said lands shall forever be used by the said City of Benton Harbor for Bathing Beach, Park Purposes or other Public purposes, and at all times shall be open for the use and benefit of the public, subject only to such rules and regulations as the said City of Benton Harbor may make and adopt; Now, therefore,

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Benton Harbor, in regular session assembled, for and on behalf of the City of Benton Harbor does hereby accept said deed and does hereby accept the conveyance of the lands and premises in said deed subject to the conditions set forth in said deed; and,

RESOLVED, That said lands, above described, upon the delivery of said deed to the City of Benton Harbor shall be forever dedicated for Bathing Beach, Park Purposes and other Public Purposes, and at all times shall be open for the use and benefit of the public, subject only to such Rules and Regulations as the said City of Benton Harbor may make and adopt,

RESOLVED FURTHER, That in behalf of the people, and especially the children of Benton Harbor and vicinity, that this Council extend to Mr. and Mrs. Kleck their appreciation of this valuable gift together with the assurance that this Council will cooperate to make this park the blessing

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RESOLVED, also, that since Mr. and Mrs. Klock have given this largely for the benefit of childhood and as a memorial to their deceased child Jean Klock, that this land be named and shall be forever known as "Jean Klock Park".

Alderman Hall moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution, same was supported by Alderman Mitchell, and carried by the following vote on roll call:

Yeas- Aldermen Bernard, Bridgman, Friedman, Green, Hall, Mitchell, Wallace, Warner. Nays- None.

The following resolution was then introduced and read:

WHEREAS, in the year 1912 Messrs. Edward K. Warren and Charles K. Warren, of Three Oaks, Michigan, purchased and procured a tract of land fronting on Lake Michigan adjoining the City of Benton Harbor on the North and West, known as the Sand Dunes, and containing about 90 acres of land; and since that time said Warrens have refused to sell said lands except for the use and good of all the people; and for this purpose have been willing to accept for said lands the amount of their investment, which is much less than the actual value of said lands, and

WHEREAS, this action on the part of the said Warrens has made it possible for said lands to be acquired and conveyed to the City of Benton Harbor for Public Bathing Beach and Park purposes; Now, Therefore

RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Benton Harbor do hereby commend the spirit and action of the said Warrens in purchasing and holding said lands for the purposes aforesaid; and, for and on behalf of the people of the City of Benton Harbor and community, do hereby express to said Warrens their sincere appreciation for their cooperation and assistance in making it possible for said lands to be dedicated forever for the good and happiness of mankind.

Alderman Mitchell moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution, same was supported by Alderman Hall, and adopted by the following vote on roll call

Yeas- Aldermen Bernard, Bridgman, Friedman, Green, Hall, Mitchell, Wallace, Warner. Nays- None.

Alderman Bridgman moved, supported by Alderman Bernard, that the City Clerk be instructed to forward to J. N. Klock and C. K. Warren, a copy of the resolutions passed relative to "Jean Klock Park"; motion carried by an affirmative vote of all the aldermen present.

The following druggist's liquor bonds, bearing the approval of the City Attorney, as to form, were then presented for the Council's consideration:

Hepkins Drug Company, a corporation, with Wm. E. Sheffield and Geo. H. King, as sureties.

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A. H. Wiggins, with Ben. Bishop and C. O. Brown, as sureties.

Jesse Leever, with W. A. Pardon and Arthur Friedman, as sureties.

Alderman Warner moved, supported by Alderman Wallace, that the sureties on the foregoing bonds be approved and accepted; motion carried by an affirmative vote of all the aldermen present.

A petition was then received and read asking the Council to take action in