

# Record of the City of Concordia

In the District Court of  
the Judicial District  
of the State of Kansas.  
At Chanute before Hon  
A. J. Wilson, Judge of said  
Court

Order  
incorporating the City  
of Concordia, as a  
City, of the  
— 3<sup>d</sup> class —

Be it remembered that on  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1872, there was  
presented to me a petition - of which the following  
is a copy in substance.

We the undersigned citizens of the Town of  
Concordia, Cloud County, Kansas, respectfully  
represent that the miles and bounds of the  
Town of Concordia, Cloud County, Kansas,  
are as follows to wit:

88<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> of NW<sup>1/4</sup> and lots 3 & 4 of  
Section 32, Town 5 Range 3 met. and N<sup>1/4</sup>  
of 88<sup>th</sup>, N<sup>1/4</sup> of SW<sup>1/4</sup>, lots 1 & 2 of NE<sup>1/4</sup> and  
lot 2 and N<sup>1/4</sup> of lot 1 of NW<sup>1/4</sup>, Section 44  
Town 6 Range 3 met.

That we are a majority of the qualified  
electors of said Town.

That said Town is unincorporated.

That the number of inhabitants of said  
Town exceeds, Two hundred and fifty,  
And asking that said city be incorporated  
as a City of the Third Class, by the name and  
style of the City of Concordia.

And it appearing to me that said petition is signed  
by a majority of the electors of said Town.

And that the prayer of said petition is  
reasonable.

And that notice, in which said petition  
had been set out in full had been published

for 3 consecutive weeks prior to the date of presentation of said petition to me, had been published in the Republican Valley Empor in which said petition was set out in full.

And that a majority of the taxable inhabitants of said Town are in favor of said corporation.

And that the number of inhabitants in said Town exceeds two hundred and fifty and is less than two thousand.

Therefore, be it ordered,

That said Town be, and is hereby incorporated as a city of the Third Class, by the name and style of

— The City of Concordia —

And the metes and bounds of said city shall be as hereinafter set forth, and

It is further ordered,

That the first election in said city, for City officers be held at the Court House in said City on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872.

And that the following persons, three qualified electors of said City, to wit:

R E Allen,

J M Chapman, and  
A L Buckingham,

be and are hereby appointed judges of said election,

And that the following persons, two qualified electors of said City, to wit

D J Votaw, and

J C Giffin,

be and are hereby appointed clerks of said election.

And that the following persons three  
qualified electors of said city to act

J. J. Bowen

George W. Andrews and

John E. Reid

be and are hereby appointed a Board of can-  
vassers for said election.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand this the said 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872,  
at Washington, Kansas,

A. S. Wilson —  
Judge of the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of the  
State of Kansas

State of Kansas,  
Cloud County,

H. Buckingham being  
first duly sworn, says, that he is the  
publisher of the "Republican Valley  
Empire" a newspaper of general circula-  
tion in the city of Concordia, published  
in said City of Concordia, and that the  
order of Hon. A. S. Wilson Judge of the  
Twelfth Judicial District of the State of  
Kansas, incorporating said city as a  
city of the Third class, was published in  
said Newspaper on No 596 of Vol 3,  
issued Aug 10 & 17<sup>th</sup> 1872, and further  
such not.

Subscribed before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1872

(Notarial  
Seal)

J. J. Bowen

Notary Public

August 20 1872

We the undersigned Board of Canvassers appointed by Hon. A. L. Wilson, Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of Kansas, as Commissioners of the City Election held in the City of Concordia on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1872, did meet as in the order of said Judge commanded at the Court House in said City of Concordia on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872, as provided by law, and qualified by taking the following oath, to wit:

We and each of us, do solemnly swear, that we will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Kansas, and will faithfully and impartially discharge our duty as Commissioners of the Election held in the City of Concordia on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872 to help us God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me J. S. Brown  
the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872  
By James S. Brown & George H. Andrews }  
and witness H. E. Reid }  
(Seal) H. E. Reid }  
Clerk of Natl Court }  
Subscribed and sworn to before me J. S. Brown  
by H. E. Reid the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872  
(Seal) H. E. Reid }  
J. S. Brown  
Notary Public

On Motion duly made and seconded  
H. E. Reid was appointed Clerk of  
said Board of Commissioners,

In Examination of the returns of said election we find that

R E Alter	received for Mayor, Thirty seven (37) votes
J D Marshall	Twenty eight (28)
C H McDonald	Police Judge, Thirty one (31)
J H Stings	Twenty eight (28)
J Shpe	Councilman, forty four (44)
J La Roque	Forty four (44)
H Connor	Thirty (30)
A L Buntingham	Thirty one (31)
D W Williams	Thirty one (31)
H Mc Kenon	Thirty three (33)
R H Stings	Thirty three (33)

We therefore declare that

R E Alter, having received the highest number of vote for said office is elected Mayor of said City.

C H McDonald having received the highest number of vote for Police Judge is declared elected to said office.

J Shpe  
 J La Roque  
 D W Williams  
 H Mc Kenon and  
 R H Stings having the highest number of vote for Councilman, are declared duly elected to said office.

In testimony whereof we the said Board of Commissioners have hereunto set our hands,  
 this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1872.

Attest  
 Wm Reid, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

1872

August 22<sup>nd</sup>

Council Rooms City of Concordia Kansas

The Mayor, R. E. Allen, Police Judge, C. W. M<sup>c</sup> Donald, Councilmen, M. M<sup>c</sup> Kinnon, R. H. Stinges, Jacob Sipe - D. W. Williams, Frederick La Rocque, were each and all duly sworn in, and qualified as officers of the city.

The Mayor appoints Geo. W. Andrews as City Marshal - Moved and seconded that the Council concur in the appointment -

Motion carried unanimously -  
Moved and seconded, that, M. M<sup>c</sup> Kinnon be elected President of the Council -

Motion carried unanimously

On Motion the meeting duly adjourned until Monday evening Aug 26<sup>th</sup> 1872

C. W. M<sup>c</sup> Donald  
Clerk Pro. Tem

— Meeting held August 26<sup>th</sup> 1872 —

The Mayor and all Councilmen present —

Mayor with unanimous consent of the  
Council, appointed James Woodward as  
City Clerk —

On motion the meeting adjourned till  
Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> 1872.

James Woodward  
City Clerk

Copy

of J. H. Lanoue's Bond to the City of Concordia, Concordia, Kansas

J. H. Lanoue, do hereby bind myself in the sum of one Thousand and Dollars to the City of Concordia for the faithful performance of the conditions of this Agreement.

1<sup>st</sup> Provided the said City of Concordia votes Bonds to subscribe Stock in "The Concordia Mill Company" to the amount of \$7000. I agree to purchase said stock from said City at the par value of \$7000. and to pay for it as follows, the sum of \$7000 in 4 years from date of said Bonds and Interest on it at the rate of 10 per cent per annum payable as follows. - At the end of six months from date of Bonds the half of the first years interest at the end of nine months from the date of Bonds the other half of the first years interest. And thereafter the interest shall be paid quarterly in advance.

2<sup>nd</sup> The Bonds or the proceeds of the sale of them shall remain in the City Treasury and shall be paid out by order of the Mayor to the party from whom I purchase the Machinery, sufficient being reserved to pay freight on said Machinery, to purchase the pine lumber required in putting up the Machinery & for other actual necessary cash payments in putting up

3<sup>rd</sup> Said Machinery -

I agree to put into my Mill four run of stones & first class Machinery of every kind, so as to make it a first class steam flouring mill in every respect.

4<sup>th</sup> I agree to use every exertion to get the Mill in running order at as early a date as possible -

5<sup>th</sup> To insure the said City of Concordia against loss in the sale of this stock to me, I agree to secure said City by a mortgage on my Mill Building, Machinery in it & lots on which it stands, on my Dwelling House & all other buildings owned by me in said City and on all City lots belonging to me in said City. And I further Agree to insure in good reliable companies, and keep insured each year, said Mill building, Machinery & other buildings owned by me in said City, for the benefit of said City of Concordia, in a reasonable amount on each building.

In witness hereof I have this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1872 set my hand

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy }

James Woodward  
City Clerk }  
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1872 Council Rooms, City of Concordia Kansas  
Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>

The Mayor and all councilmen present -

The petition to the Mayor and councilmen of City of Concordia, to order an election by the voters of said city, to vote the Bonds of said City to the amount of \$7000. to subscribe stock in "The Concordia Mill Company" to that amount and to sell the same & to do and perform such other business as the nature of the case may require - Was brought before the meeting -

On Motion, the said petition was presented and read, and having the required number of voters names signed thereto - was unanimously accepted -

Moved and seconded - "That an election be called for the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 1872 - to vote on the Bonds in accordance with said petition -

Motion duly carried

Moved and seconded - That the Mayor appoint a committee of three (3) to act as an Ordinance Committee - Motion carried unanimously -

M. M<sup>c</sup>Kenon, D.W. Williams, & La. Roque were duly appointed -

Said Com<sup>t</sup> to report at the next meeting of Council.

On Motion the meeting duly adjourned till Wednesday evening Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1872.

James Woodward  
City Clerk

1872  
Sept. 4

—Adjourned Meeting)

Present - The Mayor, R E Allen in the chair

- M. McKinnon, D. W. Williams, J. Sipe, and  
R. H. Sturges councilmen.

Absent - F La Rocque councilman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read  
and approved.

The Ordinance Committee's report was as  
follows —

Ordinance No. 1

Relating to duties and pay of City Marshal.

This ordinance being read and considered by  
sections the votes were taken - Yeas-unanimous.

It was then moved and seconded that this  
ordinance be adopted —

Motion duly carried —

Ordinance No. 2.

Relating to City Clerk.

Presented for first and second reading —

Votes - Yeas, unanimous.

Moved and seconded that this Ordinance  
be adopted. Motion duly carried

Ordinance No. 3

Relating to Saloons and Dram Shops.

Presented for first and second reading

Votes - Yeas - unanimous.

Moved and seconded that this Ordinance  
be adopted. Motion duly carried

Ordinance No. 4

Relating to Billiard Saloons and  
bowling Alleys

Presented for first and second reading).

Votes - Yeas, unanimous -

Moved and seconded that this Ordinance  
be adopted - Motion duly carried.

### Ordinance No 5.

#### Relating to Misdemeanors.

Presented for first and second reading -

Votes - Yeas, unanimous -

Moved and seconded that this Ordinance  
be adopted - Motion duly carried -

Moved and seconded that the mayor  
appoint a committee of two on printing -  
M. M. Kinnon and R. H. Sturges were  
duly appointed as committee on printing.

Moved and seconded that the Mayor appoint  
a committee of two to provide the necessary Books  
and Stationary for the use of the City -

M. M. Kinnon and R. H. Sturges were duly  
appointed to act as such a committee.

Moved and seconded that the Mayor appoint  
D. W. Williams, J. Sipe & R. H. Sturges as judges  
of Election on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 1872.  
Said Committee were duly appointed.

Moved and seconded the Mr E. Limney be appoint-  
ed Treasurer for the City of Concordia.

Motion carried unanimously.

On Motion the meeting adjourned till next regular  
meeting on the first Wednesday in October 1872

James Woodward  
City Clerk

1872  
Sept. 18

— Special Meeting —

Present, Mr. McVinnon, Sipe, La Roque & Williams.  
In the absence of the Mayor, R.E. Allen,  
Mr. McVinnon, President, occupied the chair -

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

Mr. Neitzel presented a petition signed by  
the requisite number of voters, for the granting  
of a license for a Lager Beer and Liquor  
Saloon -

The petition having been read, motion was  
made and seconded, that the license be  
granted to Mr. Neitzel,

Motion was carried unanimously.

Moved and seconded that this meeting adjourn

James Woodward  
City Clerk

1872  
Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>

— Special Meeting —

Present M. M<sup>c</sup> Kinion, D. W. Williams, R. H. Sturges,  
J. La Roque.

In the absence of the Mayor, M. M<sup>c</sup> Kinion  
occupied the chair.

The business of this meeting was to canvass  
the votes polled on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of Sept. 1872 - "for  
Bonds and the subscription of stock in the  
Concordia Mill Company, and for the  
sale of the same." - The result being  
as follows. —

Forty three (43) votes for the Bonds and the  
subscription of stock, and the sale of  
the same. —

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No votes to the contrary

On motion the meeting adjourned

James Woodward  
City Clerk

1872  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Regular Meeting

Present, R. E. Allen Mayor in the Chair.

D. W. Williams, La Roque, Sturges councilmen.

Absent M. McKinnon & J. Sipe councilmen.

Minutes of the previous meetings on 18<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> of September were read and approved.

Ordinance No. 6, being an amendment of Ordinance No 1, was Read —

Moved and seconded that the amendment of Ordinance No 1, be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The following petition was presented Read —

"We the undersigned legal voters or owners of property in the city of Concordia respectfully ask that you will order and cause to be plowed a fire break not less than 24 feet in width around the out skirts of the city, for the safety of our lives and property from prairie fires."

Moved Dec'd that this petition for fire guard be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously — The Mayor appointed the following committee of 3 to see to the carrying out of the above petition. La Roque, Williams & Sipe - Committee.

On Motion, the Meeting Adjourned. James Woodward  
City Clerk

1872  
Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

(Special Meeting)

Present R. E. Allen, Mayor in the Chair -

- J La Rocque, Williams & Sturges Councilmen

Absent M Mc Kinnon & J. Sipe - councilmen

The following Resolutions were read and accepted -

1<sup>st</sup>

Resolved that the Mayor be authorized and directed to subscribe in the name of the City of Concordia for seventy shares of one hundred Dollars each of the Capital Stock of the Concordia Mill Company payable in bonds of the City at par. And that bonds of the City to the amount of Seven thousand dollars be issued in payment of said seventy shares of said capital stock of the Concordia Mill Company; said bonds to be numbered from one to fourteen inclusive, and to be made payable to the Concordia Mill Company or bearer. Each bond to be of the denomination of Five hundred Dollars bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, payable semi annually, with coupons attached, principal and interest to be paid at the National Park Bank in the City of New York, and that the same be signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk."

Proposed by J. La Rocque that this 1<sup>st</sup> Resolution be accepted.

Seconded by R. H. Sturges

Motion carried unanimously -

2<sup>nd</sup>

Resolved that the said Bonds be delivered to the said Concordia Mill Company, when, and as fast as it may need the same for the purchase of Machinery or materials or any

work in putting the mill hereby known as Lanoue's Mill into good working order - and that the bonds, until delivered be placed in the custody of the Mayor.

3<sup>rd</sup> Resolved that the proposition of Hilliore Lanoue to purchase the seventy shares of the Capital Stock of the Concordia Mill Company be accepted, and that so soon as the said Hilliore Lanoue executes an agreement to pay for said stock, seven thousand dollars in four years from the date of the Bonds issued or to be issued on subscription of the city of Concordia to said Capital Stock with interest thereon from said date at the rate of ten per cent per annum - the first interest 5 per cent to be paid within six months from said date - the next interest 5 per cent in nine months and thereafter interest at the rate of 2½ per cent every three months in advance, and also to keep the said property insured in good companies, and to transfer the policies as collateral to the mortgage hereafter mentioned - And he and Harriet his wife shall execute a mortgage on property in the city of Concordia embraced in list furnished to the Clerk, securing the execution of said agreement that then the Mayor be directed to transfer and set over the said seventy shares of the capital stock of the Concordia Mill Company to the said H. Lanoue.

Proposed by J. La. Roque that the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Resolutions be accepted. Sec<sup>d</sup> by R. H. Sturges  
Motion carried unanimously -  
The motion the meeting adjourned. J. Woodward  
City Clerk

1872  
Nov 11<sup>th</sup>

# Regular Meeting

Present - R. E. Allen, Mayor

D. W. Williams, Sturges & Spike Councilmen

Absent M. Mc Kinnon & La Roque

Minutes of last meeting read, and approved.

## Reports

Of Fire Guard Committee - The necessary furrows were plowed all round the City, but the burning between the furrows was not quite complete - The fireguard Committee to be continued until the petition be complete.

## Petition

The following petition was presented

"We the undersigned owners of property on the south side of Sixth Street, between Washington Avenue and Broadway, respectfully ask your Hon<sup>ble</sup> Board to establish the grade and cause to be laid a side walk on the said south side of Sixth street

Signed by

L. J. Crans & Co

R. E. Allen

J. W. Neitzel

J. L. Sturges

Andrews & Hoy

J. W. Sturges

J. S. Burns

Bean & King

& M. Donaldson

The petition being signed by a majority of the property holders in said Block; it was moved and seconded, that this petition be accepted. Also, that the City Marshall be instructed to see to the construction of said side walk, which shall be of uniform grade, and shall not be less than 9 feet wide - Made of good substantial material, either stone or wood may be used.

Moved & Sec<sup>d</sup> That lot (1) one on corner, or East

lot in said Block, be accepted.

### Accounts

The following Bills were presented, viz:

	D. S. Votaw, Clerk of City Election	--- \$ 2.00
3	J. C. Giffin Do do	\$ 2.00
4	W <sup>m</sup> E. Reid Carvasser of do, Stationery	\$ 8.75
5	J. S. Bowen Do do	\$ 2.00
6	J. M. Woodward (Sheriff) prisoners expenses	\$ 2.45
7	Sam'l Dodsworth, Books & Stationery	\$ 53.00
	J. D. Shacher License Book	\$ 1.50
	H. Buckingham Printing	\$ 62.00

all of which were accepted and ordered to be paid, except the bill of H. Buckingham which was referred over to the next meeting.

### Miscellaneous Business.

The Bond of the City Treasures, being presented, was unanimously accepted.

Moved Seconded, That the City Marshal be directed to open out, and continue the road in a direct line from the East end of 6<sup>th</sup> Street, from Broadway to the Eastern line of Townsite, making crossings at various Roads across the Draw on the line of the same

Moved and seconded - that Mr. Giffin be appointed Fire Inspector; The duties of said Inspector to be reported at next meeting.

Moved & Sec<sup>d</sup>ed. That the City Clerk notify J. W. Neitzel to make out his Bond for the payment of his license tax - said Bond to be delivered to the City Clerk within 3 days from date of notice or the Lager Beer & Liquor Saloon to be closed.

The City Clerk to notify Mr. Williams & Donaldson to furnish bonds necessary

according to Ordinance No 4. Sec 3.

The City Clerk to purchase order & receipt books for the use of Treasurer & City Clerk

On Motion the Meeting the meeting adjourned.

James Woodward  
City Clerk

1872 Regular Meeting  
December 1<sup>st</sup>

Present - R. E. Allen - Mayor.

- M. M. Kinnon, Sturges, Sipes, Williams  
& La Roque, Councilmen -

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Moved & seconded, that the City Clerk give Mr. Guffin notice of his appointment as Fire Warden -

The Ordinance Committee's report as follows.

Ordinance No. 7. 849

Were read twice and then considered by sections - Votes as follows -

No 7. Relating to Auctions & Auctioneers

Votes - Yeas - M. Kinnon, La Roque & Sturges  
- Nays - Williams & Sipes

Moved and seconded that this ordinance No 7 be adopted.

Ordinance No. 8.

Relating to Peddlers and Hawkers

Votes. Yeas unanimous

Moved & seconded that this ordinance be adopted. -

Ordinance No. 9

Relating to the Duties of Fire Warden

Votes - Yeas - unanimous -

Moved & seconded that this ordinance be adopted. -

Moved and seconded that the Committee on ordinances be required to prepare an ordinance on side walks; ordinance to be brought before next meeting)

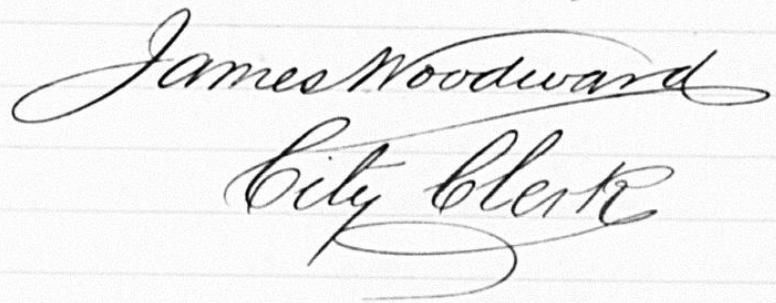
## Accounts

The following accounts were presented -

H. Buckinghams	for Printing- accepted with a deduction of twelve dollars (\$12) leaving the amount of his ac.	-----	350.00
R. E. Allen	paper fire wood &c	-----	3.50
P. H. Sturges	Judge of election	-----	2.00
W. Dennis	Clerk of election, Mill Bonds,	-----	2.00
Jacob Lipes	Judge of election - do -	-----	2.00
D. W. Williams	Judge of election	-----	2.00
James Woodward	- City Clerk 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter	-----	15.00
G. W. Andrews	City Marshal. do	-----	25.00
F. La Rocque	Clerk of election	-----	2.00

Moved Seconded that the ac. be allowed, and  
that the City Clerk issue orders for payment  
of the same —

On motion the meeting adjourned

  
 James Woodward  
 City Clerk

1872  
Decr 10<sup>th</sup>

# Special Meeting

Present R. E. Allen Mayor  
M. M. Kinnon, Stenges, Williams Councilmen

Ordinance No 10 Relating to construction  
of sidewalk on south side of 6<sup>th</sup> St, between Washg<sup>t</sup>-Av. & Broadway,  
Was read twice and then considered  
by sections - the votes being unanimous  
for the adoption of said ordinance, It was  
moved and seconded that ordinance No 10  
be adopted.

Mr Smith's proposal for printing was  
read, and referred over to the next Council  
Meeting.

On Motion the meeting adjourned

James Woodward  
City Clerk