

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas, June 19th 1913.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor : Roll called :

Present: Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Absent none.

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and approved.

Reports of City Officers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the Supt of the Water & Light Plant, the Sanitary Inspector, the Fire Marshal and the Sexton for the month of May 1913, which were read and ordered filed .

Unfinished business L

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution ordering the construction of certain sidewalk on North Congress Avenue in the City of Austin, which had been read at the last regular meeting of the Council ,and laid over for one week.

The resolution was then passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Powell presented the report of the City Engineer for the month of April 1913, which was read and ordered filed .

The application of Mr W E Townsend to have certain fees for stock sold from pound, over and above expenses of pound fees and costs of sale ,refunded to him ,was granted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That Mayor A P Wooldridge, he and he is hereby authorized to execute for the City of Austin contract with J W Maxwell, as Special Attorney to collect taxes due for the year 1911 and prior years upon personal property, lying and being situated in the City of Austin.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

(1) That five thousand (\$ 5,000.00) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to pay off and redeem bonds Nos 1,2,3,4 & 5, issued by the City of Austin on July 1st ,1912, for the construction of a Sanitary Sewer in this City .

(2) That two thousand (\$ 2,000.00 ) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to pay off and redeem bonds Nos 1 & 2 issued by the City of Austin on July 1st ,1912, for the purchase and improvement of a City Cemetery.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor .

*Sidewalk  
N Congress  
Avenue*

*W. E. Townsend  
Pound fee  
Refunded*

*Contract  
J W Maxwell  
Collect Taxes*

*Bonds  
Redeemed*

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- . The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed ,upon order to that effect obtained of the Consumers Fuel & Ice Co, to deliver to E C Bartholomew, Supertintendent of Parks and Public Property, such warrents as he may now hold owing for coal or ice delivered to the City of Austin by the Consumers Coal & Ice Co. Said warrent or warrents are to be credited upon the present indebtedness of the Consumers Fuel & Ice Co of \$ 1,000.00 for the purchase of two boilers for use at the plant of said Consumers Fuel & Ice Co .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That permit and authority be and is hereby granted to the Stelfox Co, to put in a sidewalk in front of its place of business at 614 Congress Avenue ,Austin, Texas to consist of small block tiling. Said tiling to be 12 1/2 feet in width and to extend from the property line to the curbing; and authority is given said Stelfox Co to have worked into said tiling the words " The Stelfox Co, Jewelers and Opticians " .Said tiling is to be put absolutely flush with the present sidewalk and to be kept and so maintained.

Be it further resolved :

That the work under this resolution must be done solely and only under the supervision of the Sypt of Streets and Public Improvements and subject to his approval.

Be it further resolved :

That this permit is given and must be accepted as revocable at any time at the pleasure of the City Council .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

- . The Council then recessed subject to call.

June 21st 1913.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council An ordinance granting to Austin Dam & Sub-urban Railway Company the right and permitting said Company to maintain and operate a railroad switch track or turnout upon and across certain streets in the City of A ustin ,subject to certain conditions.

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin : Texas:

That after a full hearing of the facts in the case, the City Council completely exonerates J A Guysinger, Assistant City Engineer , from any intent of wrong doing in connection with a supposed request for an additional book of car tickets alleged to have been made of Jno Miller ,Clerk in the Engineering Dept, on

City Clerk directed  
to pay Warrant  
to Consumers Fuel  
& Ice Co to  
Supt Bartholomew

Sidewalk for Stelfox Co

Call minute  
Austin Council  
2.2

J. A. Guysinger  
exonerated

the 19th day of June, 1913.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That an additional day's pay ,amounting to \$ 3.33 be and the same is hereby directed to be paid to J A Guysinger, out of the General street Improvement fund,for services as Engineer rendered on the 21st day of June,1913.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew & Haynes 3  
Nays Councilmen Anthony & Powell 2

Note:

To this resolution Mayor Wooldridge and Councilmen Bartholomew & Haynes voted "Aye" Councilmen Anthony & Powell voting "No"for oral reasons explained by them on the occasion. Councilman Anthony's reason being that he believed the head of a Departmenthas the unconditional right of discharging employes with or without notice.

Councilman Powell's reason being that Mr Guysinger in the matter of his controversy with City Engineer Welborn should in the first instance have come to him ,where it probably have been adjusted without appeal to the City Council , and his act to the contrary constituted a breach of discipline.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That fifteen (\$15.00) dollars ,of the attached bill for \$ 17.00 in favor of J A Guysinger for rent of Transit for parts of October and ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~December and the whole of the month of November 1912, and the loss of a plumb bob, be allowed as to the rent of said Transit, but disallowed as to the loss of the plumb bob, and \$ 15.00 of the said \$ 17.00 bill be and the same is directed to be paid out of the miscellaneous fund of the General Street Dept.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, from satisfactory information furnished the City Council it is probable that the Electric Claxton Horn heretofore attached to the City's Chemical Autimobile,in use at Colorado Fire Station No 2, has for sufficient reasons, been discarded, is no longer in use and is not likely to be in use in the future, and if put aside may be overlooked and in the long run lost; and,

Whereas, Wm VonRosenberg Jr, offers the City for said Claxton horn the sum of \$ 10.00, which under the circumstances is deemed a fair price for the same; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That W B Anthony,Supt of Police and Public Safety, be and he is hereby authorized to sell and deliver said electric Claxton horn to said Wm Von Rosenberg for the price of \$10.00. The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Salary etc  
J A Guysinger ✓

Horn of Claxton  
Car paid ✓

Yea Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Mayor.

The Council then recessed subject to call.

June 23rd 1913.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present:

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That forty nine thousand two hundred and fifteen ( \$ 49,215 .00) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin for the current year to pay the semi-annual interest on the Austin City Bonds ,which semi-annual interest matures on July 1st 1913, and amounts to \$ 49,215.00.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yea Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Anthony presented the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That upon the recommendation of Councilman Anthony, Supt Police and Public Safety and the recommendation of the Assistant City Attorney, Mr H B Barnhart, the balance of the cost in the case of the State of Texas vs Mrs M Soudargard, amounting to \$ 13.75, be and the same is hereby remitted, she having received, in the judgement of the Supt of Police and Public Safety and the Assistant City Attorney ,great provocation for the offense committed by her.

Be it further resolved:

That the balance of costs amounting to \$ 22.50, in the case of the State of Texas vs W Bruckman, be and the same is hereby remitted, the fine, in the judgement of the Supt of Police and Public Safety and the Assistant City Attorney and in the opinion of this Council ,being excessive.

Be it further resolved :

That the balance of the costs, amounting to \$ 15.65, owing in the case of the State of Texas, vs S L Kempner, be and the same is hereby remitted, he having, as is reported by the City Physician , Dr S A Woolsey, consumption and not being in proper physical condition to be kept in further custody.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yea Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Appropriation  
Semi-annual  
for Bonds

Mrs. M. Soudargard  
Costs remitted

W. Bruckman  
Fine & Costs  
remitted

S. L. Kempner  
Fine & Costs  
remitted

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That permit be and is hereby granted to H B Rouse to sell pencils, shoe strings, papers and other small things in the City of Austin for the days of June 24th, 25 th & 26th ,with-  
out payment of license; provided he obtain permit to stand or sit from the occupants of  
the premises in front of which he may stand or sit.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Nays Councilman Anthony 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

~~The Council then adjourned.~~

*James H. Johnson*  
City Clerk

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

(1) That five thousand (\$ 5,000.) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the  
Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to pay off and redeem bonds Nos 1,2,  
3,4 & 5 ,issued by the City of Austin on July 1st 1912, for street improvement purposes.

(2) That five thousand (\$ 5,000. ) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the  
Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to pay off and redeem bonds Nos 1,2  
3,4 & 5 ,issued by the City of Austin on July 1st 1912, for the construction of a Sanitary  
Sewer in this City .

(3) That two thousand (\$ 2,000) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the  
Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to pay off and redeem bonds Nos  
1 & 2, issued by the City of Austin on July 1st 1912, for the purchase and improvement of a  
City Cemetery.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then adjourned.

*James H. Johnson*  
City Clerk

*H B Rouse  
allowed to peddle  
on streets free of  
charge* ✓

*Appropriated  
purchase bonds* ✓