

Minutes of a Called Meeting of the City Council.
Hon John McDonald, Mayor, presiding. Austin, Tex. July 23, 1895.
Roll call.

Present Aldermen Fischer, Glass, Glascock, Haynes, Lawless,
Linn, Mitschke, Platt, Powell, Schneider, Shelley, Taylor, War-
moth - 13

Absent Aldermen Anderson, Aermann, Goeth, Hume, Jackson,
Redd, Roberdeau, Tobin, Townsend - 4

On motion of Alderman Taylor a call of the council was
ordered. A recess of ten minutes was taken.

The second roll call showed the following:

Present Aldermen Fischer, Glass, Glascock, Haynes, Hume,
Lawless, Linn, Mitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Roberdeau,
Schneider, Shelley, Taylor, Tobin, Townsend - 15

Absent Aldermen Anderson, Aermann, Goeth, Jackson - 4.

The call of the council
was, on motion, suspended.

The following was read:-

Austin, Tex. July 23, 1895.

Mayor's Call.

To the members of the Board of Aldermen, Austin, Tex.

Gentlemen - I hereby call a special meeting of the City
Council of the City of Austin to assemble in the council cham-
ber at the city hall this day, July 23, 1895 at 8.30 o'clock
P. M. for the following named purposes to-wit:

First. To receive and act upon the report of the finance
committee concerning the sale of the water works and
electric light bonds, series "B".

Second. To receive and act upon the report of the water
and light commission in reference to the purchase of
water pipe.

Third. To consider unfinished business of the last meet-
ing of the council in regard to the Board of Public Works.

John McDonald, Mayor.

Marshal's Certificate

Austin Tex. July 23 1895. 11 P. M. I hereby certify that
the following aldermen have been served with the above
'call' by having it read to each of them in person, viz:
Anderson, Aermann, Fischer, Glass, Glascock, Haynes, Hume,
Lawless, Linn, Mitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Roberdeau, Schneider,
Shelley, Taylor, Tobin, Townsend and Warmoth, and that
Aldermen Goeth and Jackson have been served by a true
copy having been left each of their respective places of
business, they being out of the city.

James E. Lucy, City Marshal.

Alderman Linn presented the following:

Austin, Tex. July 23, 1895.

Accepting Bid of
E. H. Gage Co for
Bonds.

Hon John McDonald, Mayor, and Board of Aldermen of the City of
Austin, Tex;

Gentlemen - Your finance committee beg leave to report

that bids have been received for Austin Water Works and electric light bonds, series "B", and would respectfully recommend that the bid of Messrs E. H. Gay & Co, who bid par, accrued interest and a premium of \$2282 be accepted.

Respectfully Submitted.

Henry A. Linn.

Thos. F. Taylor.

I concur in the above.

John McDonald,
Mayor City of Austin.

The report was adopted. (Alderman Linn was called to the chair.)
Alderman Arsmann entered the council chamber and answered to his name.

W & L Com. Report
on bids for pipe

Alderman Tobin, for the Water and Light Commission, presented a report in reference to proposals for furnishing pipe and special castings for the extension of the water system. The proposals are all based on the following sizes and quantities:

8100 feet or 1041 tons of 24 inch pipe.

500 " " 32 " " 16 " "

500 " " 21 " " 12 " "

500 " " 12 " " 8 " "

120,000 " " 1970 " " .6 " "

50,000 " " 510 " " 4 " "

50 tons of special castings.

Bid of Addyston Pipe and Steel Company:

For pipe \$98,543.28

Special castings 2875.00

Total Bid \$101,418.28

Bid of Armstrong Pipe and Foundry Company.

For pipe \$93,236.00

Special castings 2750.00

Total Bid \$95,986.00

Bid of R. D. Wood & Co.

For pipe \$92,026.40

Special castings 2875.00

Total Bid \$94,901.40

Bid of Howard Harrison Iron Co.

For pipe \$91,310.25

Special castings 2875.00

Total Bid \$94,185.25

Bid of Walter Pipe.

For pipe \$85,160.50

Special castings 2875.00

Total Bid \$87,505.50

The report closed as follows:

The said bids were further considered at a meeting of the Water and Light Commission held on the 22nd

instant, and a motion was adopted recommending to the city council the acceptance of the bid of Mr Walter Tifo, conditional on the city reserving the right to take any part of or none of the 24 inch pipe as may be determined within 90 days.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wm H. Tobin,

Francis Fischer

P. J. Lawless,

J. P. Schneider."

The Water and Light Commission"

The following was read:

Austin, Tex. July 23, 1895.

Mayer Dissents

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I feel it my duty to most respectfully dissent from the action of the water and light commission in their recommendation to accept the bid of Walter Tifo for pipe for the following reasons:

First Mr Walter Tifo proposes to furnish the pipe from the State penitentiary, and I am opposed to patronizing convict labor as against free labor. Section 7 of an ordinance creating the Board of Public Works prohibits the use of convict labor and undertakes to forfeit all contracts where convict labor is used, which shows that your honorable body is in favor of free labor as against convict labor.

Second The metal in the pipe is hard and difficult to cut or drill for making proper connections. It is not uniform in character or weight and is a second grade of pipe, not fit to be used in a first class plant, such as we are building. Believing it would be false economy to use a second class grade of pipe for the purpose of saving a few thousand dollars, I would recommend the acceptance of the next lowest bid, that of the Howard Harrison Iron Company.

Respectfully

John McDonald, Mayor.

Awarded Pipe

Alderman Nitschke moved the adoption of the majority report. Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes. Aldermen Asmann, Fischer, Glass, Glascock, Haynes, Hume, Lawless, Linn, Nitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robert, dean, Schneider, Shelley, Taylor, Tobin, Townsend, Warmoth-19.

By Alderman Shelley. Resolved that the Mayor be and he is hereby instructed to enter into contract with Hon Walter Tifo for furnishing pipe and special castings for completion of water system as per his bid and the recommendation of the water and light commission.

The resolution was adopted (Mayor McDonald in the Chair)

B. P. W. Res.
relieving them &c.
Thanks &c

By Alderman Linn - Whereas, The Board of Public Works of the city of Austin is desirous of being relieved of their duties as soon as their final report, now being prepared, is presented and approved by this council, and

Whereas, Said board has about completed the duties assigned it and for which it was created; therefore, be it

Resolved - First, That said board be requested to make a full report of their actions, and that after the acceptance and approval of their report by this body, and in accordance with the wishes of the members of said Board of Public Works, that they be relieved from further service.

Resolved, Second, That the City council, as the representatives of and acting for the people of Austin, hereby tenders to the members of said Board of Public Works the heartfelt and sincere thanks of the people of Austin for their faithful, efficient and unselfish service.

Resolved, Third, That we beg to assure the individual members of said board of the hearty appreciation of their services by the people of Austin and that their unselfish and efficient services will be held in grateful remembrance by the people of this city.

Resolved, Fourth, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to furnish each member of the Board of Public Works with a copy of these resolutions.

Resolved, Fifth, That these resolutions be printed in full in the proceedings of the council.

The resolution was read, after which Alderman Lawless offered the following amendment:

Resolved. Fourth and a half, That the earnest and sincere thanks of the people of Austin are hereby extended Jas H. Raymond & Co, for advancing the city money without interest, when it was most needed and for the efforts of said company, both as a company and as individual, in ever looking to and advancing the interests of our Water and Light system.

The amendment was adopted.

A motion was made to adopt the resolution as amended.

Alderman Haynes moved that the water and light commission be excused from voting on the motion to adopt. A motion to excuse the water and light commission from voting on Alderman Haynes' motion prevailed.

The motion to excuse the commission from voting on the adoption of the resolution carried by a vote of 10 to 5.

The resolution was then adopted by the following vote:

Yeas - Aldermen Asmann, Glass, Haynes, Harner, Linn, Nitschke, Plutt, Powell, Redd, Rodenhausen, Shelley, Townsends, Warmoth - 15. Nays Aldermen Hancock and Ryker - 2. Excused Aldermen Fischer, Lawless, Schneider, Robin - 4. The council then adjourned.

Milton Marris, City Clerk.

Jas H. Raymond
& Co