

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council.

Austin, Texas April 14th 1898.

The Mayor and President of the Council being absent, the Council was called to order by the City Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Taylor, Alderman Blott was elected President pro tem.

Roll called.

Present, Aldermen Beatty, Belvin Crocker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Miller, Morris Blott, Powell, Pratt, Robertson, Stump, Taylor, Townsend and Gilmer 18.

Absent, Aldermen Fischer, Nitschke, Rosasgren and Shalley 4.

Minutes approved as corrected

On motion of Alderman Maddox the minutes of the last meeting were corrected, showing that the Finance Committee, instead of the City Clerk were authorized to advertise for bids for \$20,000. Water and Light Bonds for the Sinking Fund. There being no other objections the minutes were approved as recorded.

Petitions of 10th Ward petition to have Attayas Street opened

Hon. Mr. Edmunds, Mayor of Sherman invited to a seat on Mayor's platform.

Pet. of J. & Ray McDonald to lease portion of Water St.

Ald. Miller excused.

Pet. of G. A. Balm Optical & Diamond Co. for permission to erect a Street Clock.

Report of City Clerk

Petitions, etc.

By Alderman Kuhn. Petition of the Ninth and Tenth Wards asking that Attayas Street be opened. Referred to Street Committee.

Alderman Haynes suggested to the Council that the Hon. Mr. Edmunds, Mayor of the City of Sherman, was in the hall, and moved that he be invited to a seat on the Mayor's platform, which motion prevailed, and the Chair appointed Alderman Haynes a Committee of one to escort the gentleman to a seat on the platform.

By Alderman Morris. Petition of John B. and Ray McDonald, asking the Council to lease to them a portion of Water Street upon which to build a wood working plant.

Alderman Horton moved that the petition be referred to the Street Committee. Lost.

Alderman Morris moved that the petition be granted. On motion the petition was laid over to come up under the head of new business.

On motion Alderman Miller was excused from further attendance at this session of the Council.

By Alderman Stump. Petition of the G. A. Balm Optical and Diamond Company for permission to erect a Street Clock, on the edge of the sidewalk in front of No. 627 Congress Avenue.

Alderman Horton moved that the petition be granted, and that the work be done under the supervision of the City Engineer, which motion prevailed.

Alderman Shalley entered the Council Chamber.

City Officers Reports.

Reports of the City Officers for the month of March 1898 were presented and referred to the Finance Committee with instructions to read and report to the Finance Committee.

City Treasurer

The following is a synopsis of the reports:
By the City Treasurer.

Balance on hand March 31 st 1898	Account of General Fund	\$ 7945.98
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	4125.00
Receipts to April 4 th 1898	Account General Fund	13491.75
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	61283
Total		\$ 26,175.61

Disbursements.

Paid Interest due April 1 st 1898, on Funding Bond.	\$ 2,175.00	
" Warrants March 31 st to April 4 th 1898	15,120.56	
Total disbursements	\$ 17,295.56	
Balance on hand April 4 th 1898	Account General Fund	4429.05
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	2,562.55
" Account to per cent of General Fund to pay second installment of judgement of S.R. Bartholomew, Receiver	1,888.00	
Balance on hand March 31 st 1898, Account Interest Fund Water & Light Bonds	\$ 8,415.37	
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	20,000.00
Receipts to April 4 th 1898		5,172.44
		\$ 33,587.76

Disbursements.

Paid Interest due April 1 st 1898, on Water & Light Bonds	\$ 16,312.50	
Balance on hand April 4 th 1898, Account Interest Funds	275.26	
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	17,000.00
Balance on hand March 31 st 1898 Account Savings Fund	\$ 5,598.98	
Received from Superintendent for March 1898	4,386.37	
	\$ 17,985.35	

Disbursements

Paid Warrants during the month of March 1898	\$ 5376.96
Balance on hand April 1 st 1898	7608.59
	\$ 12,985.35

Referred to Finance Committee.
By the Assessor and Collector.

Assessor & Collector

To collections as follows:

Account of General Revenue	\$ 13491.75
" " " " " " " "	5172.44
" " " " " " " "	612.83
" " " " " " " "	2623.46
" " " " " " " "	21,910.48

Referred to Finance Committee.
By the City Clerk.

City Clerk.

Total amount of Warrants issued against the General Fund during the month of March 1898. \$ 14,792.00

Referred to the Finance Committee.
By the City Marshal.

City Marshal

Total amount of fines assessed in Recorder's Court March 1898	\$ 380.00
Bird in each	170.50
Worked out	144.50
Expenses	75.00
Over	10.00

Carried over 70.00 380.00
 Collected on back fines 15.00
 Bond fees for March 53.1
 Total number of arrests for the month: 50

City Physician

Referred to Police Committee
 By the City Physician.
 Number of Patients in Hospital March 1st 1898. 12
 " " " admitted during March 17
 " " " dismissed during March 8
 " " " deaths during March 1
 " " " remaining April 1st 1898. 70
 " " " Visits to paupers during the month 110
 " " " prescriptions to paupers during the month 736
 No contagious or infectious diseases reported

City Sexton

Referred to Hospital Committee.
 By the City Sexton
 Total number of deaths during the month: 10
 White 10
 Colored 2
 Male 5
 Female 2
 Stillborn 2

Police Committee report on City Marshal's reports for the month of July 1898.

Referred to Cemetery Committee.
 Alderman Powell, for the Police Committee, to whom was referred the reports of the City Marshal for the month of February 1898, presented a report stating that the woods had been examined and found correct. The report was adopted.
 Alderman Taylor called attention to the fact that at the last meeting of the Council, a petition from the Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company, asking permission to lay certain side tracks in the City, had been received and referred to the Street and Ordinance Committee, and that no report from these Committees had been received and suggested that the Committees be requested to make a report.
 Alderman Shelley, Chairman of the Ordinance Committee, stated that owing to the absence of a majority of the Street Committee from the City, no meeting had been held and no report could be made.

Alderman Hawes moved that the ordinance Committee and such members of the Street Committee as were in the City be authorized and requested to act upon the petition, and make report to the Council at their next regular meeting, which motion prevailed.

Alderman B... and...
 Mrs. Louisa...
 presented a report...
 The Council...
 referred the report...

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Claims & Chas. Roubt report on
part of Mrs S. R. Chase asking for
refund of certain taxes paid for
Nov 1897.

asking the Council to refund to her certain taxes illegally collected for
the year 1897, presented a report, stating that there was no authority of
law for the collection of said taxes, as the property was not on the
City limits on January 1st 1897, and recommended that the amount
paid be refunded to her, and presented an ordinance covering the
matter, and recommending its passage. On motion the report was
laid over to come up with the ordinance.

Purchasing Comtee report on
award of bid for feed for
City teams & City Hospital.

The Purchasing Committee, presented a report, stating that they had
awarded the contract for furnishing feed for City teams and for
stables at City Hospital for the quarter ending June 30th 1898, to Messrs
Robinson Bros. they being the lowest and best bidder.
On motion, the report was adopted and the Mayor was authorized
to enter into contract with the parties in accordance with the award.

Unfinished Business:

Ord. repealing an Ord. to
pay salaries of Aldermen from
Dec 1897 to Nov 30 1898 indef-
initely postponed.

The Chair laid before the Council an ordinance repealing an ordinance
appropriating the sum of \$2600 to pay salaries of Aldermen, for a
December 1st 1897 to November 30th 1898. On motion of Alderman
Morris, the ordinance was indefinitely postponed.

Ord. appropriating \$106.50 to pay
extra sanitary labor Dec 1897
Jan 1898.

The Chair then laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$106.50 to pay for extra sanitary labor, for December 1897
and January 1898.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote:
Yeas Aldermen Dealy, Belvin, Crooner, Haynes, Horton, Hahn, Maddox,
Mc Senore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Padd, Roberdeau, Rosengren, Shelby,
Stumpel, Taylor, Townsend and Zicker 19.
Nays None.

Printing Comtee report
called up.

Alderman Mc Senore called up the report of the Printing Committee
submitted some time since, in which the Committee submitted a bid
of the Statesman Publishing Company, for Newspaper Printing, and the
Van Doren Printing Company for Job Printing, and recommended
that the bids be accepted. On motion the communication of the Evening
Tribune, presented at the last meeting of the Council, asking that they
be permitted to submit a bid for Newspaper Printing was read.

Resolution directing
Printing Comtee to ask for bids
for City Printing

Alderman Haynes offered the following resolution, which was read
and adopted:

Resolved First, That the Printing Committee advertise
for bids for doing all City Printing except proceedings of the City
Council.

Second, Also for bids for such Printing, including also the proceed-
ings of the City Council for this fiscal year.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:
Yeas Aldermen Dealy, Belvin, Haynes, Horton, Hahn, Platt, Powell,
Roberdeau, Rosengren, Shelby, Stumpel, Taylor and Zicker 13.
Nays Aldermen Crooner, Maddox, Mc Senore, Morris, Padd & Townsend 6.

New Business:

Ordinance to amend Ord. 12,
Chapter 1,
relating to the revised
form of the Ordinance
relating to the
Ordinance Committee

By Alderman Belvin, an ordinance to amend Ord. 12, Chapter 1,
relating to the revised form of the Ordinance of the City of
the Ordinance Committee was read for the first time, and referred to the Ordinance Committee.

Ord. to amend Sections 4 & 9 of Chap. 7 Title 1 of Revised Civil Ord.

By Alderman Maddox. An ordinance to amend Sections 4 and 9 of Chapter 7, Title 1 of the Revised Civil Ordinances of the City. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Platt, Powell, Ridd, Robertson, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilmer 19.

Nays None

Ord. appropriating \$2823.90 to pay Salaries of Officers and Employees for March 1898

By Alderman Morris. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$2823.90 to pay Salaries of Officers and Employees for the month of March 1898.

Read first time, and the rule suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Ridd, Robertson, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor Townsend and Gilmer 19.

Nays None.

The ordinance was read second time.

Ord. amended by adding the sum of \$45. to pay Chief Clerk in Asst C's Office

Alderman Morris moved to amend by adding \$45. to pay salary of Assistant in Assessor and Collector's office. The amendment was adopted, and the ordinance as amended, was passed under suspension of the rule, by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Ridd, Robertson, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilmer 19.

Nays None.

Ord. appropriating \$160. to pay Salaries of 4 Drivers Sanitary Dept

By Alderman Morris. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$160 to pay Salaries Four drivers Sanitary department

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Ridd, Robertson, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilmer 19.

Nays None.

Ord. appropriating \$160. to pay Salaries of 2 Drivers Street Trams Feb & March 1898.

By Alderman Morris. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$160 to pay Salaries of Two drivers Street Trams, for February and March 1898.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Ridd, Robertson, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilmer 19.

Nays None.

Ord. appropriating \$2842.45 to pay approved Accounts for Feb, 1898

By Alderman Morris. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$2842.45 to pay approved accounts for the month of February 1898.

The ordinance was read first time and the rule suspended, and the ordinance placed on its second reading, by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McSamore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Ridd, Robertson, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilmer 19.

Nays None.

Alderman Morris moved to amend by adding \$45. to pay Chief Clerk in Asst C's Office. The amendment was adopted, and the ordinance as amended, was passed under suspension of the rule, by the following vote:

that the bill be referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Belvin, Crocker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, Platt, Redd, Robert-
deau, Stumpf and Townsend 11.

Nays Alderman Beatty, Mc Semore, Morris, Powell, Rosengren, Shelley, Taylor and
Zilker 8.

The ordinance was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, Mc Semore,
Morris, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robertdeau, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Town-
send and Zilker, 10.

Nays None.

Ord. appropg. \$138.⁷² to pay
Approved Aets Street Dept.
Febry 1898

By Alderman Morris. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$138.⁷² to pay
approved accounts of Street department.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Mc Semore, Morris,
Platt, Powell, Redd, Robertdeau, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend,
and Zilker 18.

Nays None.

Ord. appropg. \$100.⁰⁰ to build
Bridge on N 5th St. & Cong. Avenue

By Alderman Beatty. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$100 to build
a bridge on Congress Avenue and West Fifth Street.

The ordinance was read first time, and the rule suspended and the ordinance
placed on its second reading, by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Mc Semore,
Morris, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robertdeau, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Townsend
and Zilker 14.

Nays Alderman Taylor 1.

Ordinance was read second time.

Ord. amended by adding
\$100. to build Bridge cor. N.
2nd St. & Cong. Ave.

Alderman Zilker moved to amend by inserting \$100 for a bridge on Con-
gress Avenue and West Second Street, and providing that the lumber used
should be 2 inches thick. The amendment was adopted, and the ordinance
as amended was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Haynes, Kuhn, Maddox, Mc Semore,
Morris, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robertdeau, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Townsend
and Zilker 14.

Nays Aldermen Horton and Taylor 2.

Resolution passed at last meeting
regarding invitation to Epworth
League reconsidered & amended

Alderman Haynes moved to reconsider the vote by which the Council at
its last meeting adopted a resolution authorizing Mr. O. C. Somax to invite
the Epworth League to hold its next annual convention in this City.

The motion was adopted. Alderman Haynes then moved to amend
the resolution by striking out the name of Mr. O. C. Somax and insert-
ing instead the words "the delegates from this County". The amendment
was adopted, and the resolution as amended was then adopted.

City Comm. and Council to see
for side lot 20,000 lbs. (cont.)
for 20,000 lbs. (cont.)
for 20,000 lbs. (cont.)
for 20,000 lbs. (cont.)
for 20,000 lbs. (cont.)

Alderman Taylor moved that the City Comm. be authorized to ask for
bids for 20,000 of Water and Light Bonds of the City, for the sinking
fund, which motion prevailed.

The City Comm. was read before the Council, the report of the Comm. and
the Committee on the petition of Mrs. S. L. Piser for the
ordinance presented by the Council.

Alderman's address correct, that the ordinance was adopted, and that the ordinance

be referred to the City Attorney to prepare and submit an ordinance in accordance with the report and the law, which motion prevailed.

But J. P. & Day McDonald called
up & withdrew it.

Alderman Morris then called up the petition of John P. and Day McDonald asking the Council to rent them a part of the River walk.

On motion the petition was referred to the City Attorney for investigation and report.

On motion the Council adjourned.

F. W. Johnson
City Clerk.