

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council.
Austin, Texas, June 20th 1898.

Hon. Geo. D. McCall, Mayor, presiding.

Roll called.

Present. Aldermen Crooner, Haynes, Hoston, Maddox, McLenore, Morris, Platt, Powell, Rosington, Shelley, Stump, Taylor and Townsend 13.

Absent. Aldermen Bealy, Belvin, Fischer, Kuhn, Miller, Nitschke, Redd, Roberdeau and Zilker. 9.

Minutes approved

On motion, the minutes were approved as recorded, without reading.

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

Alderman Bealy entered the Council Chamber.

Pet. of Scott Wear

By Alderman Platt. Petition of Scott Wear, to erect shed, etc. on lot #4 Block 67, within the fire limits. Read and referred to the Fire Commissioners.

Pet. of E. A. Ellis

By Alderman Haynes. Petition of E. A. Ellis, asking for a franchise for a Street Rail Road. Read and laid over to come up with the ordinance on the subject. Alderman Nitschke entered the Council Chamber.

Pet. of Citizens for boom across mouth Bull Creek

By Alderman Maddox. Petition of Citizens requesting the City to erect a boom across the mouth of Bull Creek.

Read and referred to the W & L Commission and the City Attorney.

Aldermen Belvin, Zilker and Redd entered the Council Chamber.

Police Com. report on Marshals rpts for May

Reports of Standing Committees. Alderman Powell, for the Police Committee, to whom was referred the reports of the City Marshal for the month of May 1898, presented a report stating that the reports had been examined and found correct. On motion, the report was received and ordered filed.

Ord. Com. report on Ord. to amend Art. 191 Chapter 5 title 5 of Rev. Civ. Ord.

Alderman Shelley, for the Ordinance Committee, to whom was referred an ordinance amending Article 191, Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Revised Civil Ordinances of the City, presented a report recommending the passage of the ordinance with amendment. The report was laid over to come up with the ordinance.

Claims Com. report on Pet. of P. B. Russell

Alderman Platt, for the Claims and Accounts Committee, to whom was referred the petition of P. B. Russell, for damages, presented a report recommending that the petitioner be allowed the sum of \$100.00 as damages.

The report of the Committee was adopted by the following vote:

Ayas. Aldermen Bealy, Crooner, Fischer, Haynes, Hoston, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Nitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Rosington, Townsend and Zilker 15.

Nays. Aldermen Belvin, Shelley, Stump and Taylor 4.

Print. Com. recommend printing City Reports

Alderman McLenore for the Printing Committee, moved that the City Clerk be directed to have 250 copies of the Annual reports of the Mayor and City Officers for 1897, printed. Lost.

Alderman Miller entered the Council Chamber.

Alderman Maddox moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution of Alderman McLenore to have 250 copies of the Annual reports of the City Officers for 1897 printed, was lost, which motion prevailed.

The vote was then taken on the adoption of the resolution, and the resolution

lost by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Haynes, Maddox, McLenore, Platt, Powell, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf and Townsend 9.

Nays Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Fischer, Horton, Kuhn, Miller, Nitschke, Padd, Taylor and Zilker 11.

Unfinished Business.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$87.00 to build bridges on West 2nd & 5th Streets. The ordinance was read third time, and placed on its final passage and was lost by the following vote:

Yeas Alderman Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Kuhn, McLenore, Powell, Rosengren, Townsend and Zilker 9.

Nays Aldermen Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Maddox, Miller, Nitschke, Platt, Padd, Shelley, Stumpf and Taylor 11.

The Mayor then laid before the Council, an ordinance amending Article 171, Title 5, Chapter 4, of the Revised Civil Ordinances of the City.

The ordinance was read the second time.

Alderman Shelley moved to amend section 2, by striking out June 30th and inserting July 31st, which motion prevailed.

On motion the rule was suspended, and the ordinance as amended, placed upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, McLenore, Miller, Nitschke, Platt, Powell, Padd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Zilker 19.

Nays Alderman Maddox 1.

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

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Nitschke, Platt, Powell, Padd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Zilker 20.

Nays None.

The bill of the W & L Commission for Water and Light furnished the City, was referred to the Water & Light Committee.

New Business.

By Alderman Shelley. An ordinance to amend Section 3, of an ordinance passed and approved July 16th 1894, entitled "An Ordinance to regulate and prescribe the powers and duties of the Board of Equalization, to fix their number and compensation, and to consolidate into one ordinance, the ordinances now existing, on the subject of the Board of Equalization and to repeal the same."

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

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crocker, Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Nitschke, Platt, Powell, Padd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Zilker 20.

Nays None.

By Alderman Haynes. An ordinance granting the right of way over the streets of the City, to E. A. Ellis, and his associates to build a Street Railroad. Alderman Haynes moved that the ordinance be referred to a special committee of 5, including the Mayor and City Attorney, which motion prevailed. See Report appointed as the Special Committee, Aldermen Haynes, Powell,

Ord. Appr 9.7.00 to build bridges on West 2nd & 5th Sts & Long St.

Ord. to amend Ord. 141, Tit 5, Chap 4 Rev. Civ. Ord.

Bill from the Com. for W & L furnished

Ord. to amend Sec 3 regulating duties of Bd. of Equalization

Ord. granting right of way over streets of the City to E. A. Ellis and his associates to build a Street Railroad

and Shelley.

Ord. Approp. \$575.00 to pay the salary of a Clerk in the Assessor and Collector's Office from May 1st to Nov. 30th 1898.

By Alderman Shelley. An ordinance appropriating \$575.00 to pay the salary of a Clerk in the Assessor and Collector's Office, from May 1st to Nov. 30th 1898.

The ordinance was passed, under suspension of the rules, by the following vote: Yeas. Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Nitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Zilker 20. Nays. None.

Refer to the Council on behalf of the petitioners.

By Alderman Miller. Petition of Citizens of South Austin, asking that the bridge east of, and adjoining the residence of Mr. Downing be put in repair.

Alderman Taylor moved to refer the petition to the Street Committee. Alderman Maddox moved that the Citizens of the South side present, and representing the petitioners, be allowed to address the Council, which motion prevailed. Col. H. P. Wilson then addressed the Council, speaking in behalf of the petitioners. Alderman Miller moved as a substitute for the motion of Alderman Taylor, to refer, that the petition be granted, which motion prevailed.

Ord. Approp. \$27,322.50 to pay interest due July 1st 1898 on the Water & Light bonds of the City of Austin.

By Alderman Shelley. An Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$27,322.50 to pay interest due July 1st 1898 on the Water & Light bonds of the City of Austin.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote: Yeas. Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Nitschke, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Zilker 19. Nays. Alderman Platt 1.

Reconsideration of the ordinance whereby Council refused to pass the ordinance appropriating the sum of \$8,720 to build bridges on West 2nd and 5th Streets, which motion prevailed by the following vote.

Alderman Maddox moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Council refused to pass the ordinance appropriating the sum of \$8,720 to build bridges on West 2nd and 5th Streets, which motion prevailed by the following vote.

Yeas. Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Fischer, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Platt, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Townsend and Zilker 14. Nays. Aldermen Haynes, Horton, Nitschke, Shelley, Stumpf and Taylor 6. Alderman Powell, moved to pass the ordinance, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas. Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Fischer, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Townsend and Zilker 13. Nays. Aldermen Haynes, Horton, Nitschke, Platt, Shelley, Stumpf and Taylor 7.

Ord. Approp. \$15,750 to pay interest due July 1st 1898 on bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890.

By Alderman Shelley. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$15,750 to pay interest due July 1st 1898, on bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890.

The ordinance was read first time and a motion made to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on its second reading, was lost by the following vote: Yeas. Aldermen Fischer, Haynes, Nitschke, Powell, Rosengren, Shelley, Taylor, Townsend and Zilker 9. Nays. Aldermen Beatty, Belvin, Crooker, Horton, Kuhn, Maddox, McLenore, Miller, Platt, Redd, and Stumpf 11.

Resolved that the following resolution be adopted: Whereas, the Austin Rapid Transit Railway Company, regardless of public comfort, are now, and from time to time, run their 6th Street (or Cemetery Line) one or more cars that are a nuisance to the traveling public, and to the residents on said line and dangerous to parties in vehicles by reason of the terrific noise made by said cars, and in direct violation to Section 7 of

Alderman Haynes offered the following resolution: Whereas, the Austin Rapid Transit Railway Company, regardless of public comfort, are now, and from time to time, run their 6th Street (or Cemetery Line) one or more cars that are a nuisance to the traveling public, and to the residents on said line and dangerous to parties in vehicles by reason of the terrific noise made by said cars, and in direct violation to Section 7 of

Their Charter, which requires them to operate their cars "by noiseless and safe motors" Therefore be it resolved, by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the Mayor call the attention of the Officers of said road, to the requirements of said section, and to notify them, that they must comply with the spirit of the same. Alderman Fischer moved to refer this resolution to the City Engineer which motion prevailed.

Alderman Haynes moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was referred to the City Engineer, which motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas. Aldermen Quaty, Belvin, Crooker, Fischer, Haynes, Horton, Duhn, McSamore, Nitscher, Platt, Reed, Shuler, Taylor and Townsend 14.

Nays. Aldermen Maddox, Miller, Powell, Rosengren, Stumpf and Zillner 6.

W.L. Commission's report for quarter ending May 31 1898.

The following report from the Water and Light Commission, was presented and on motion, was ordered printed in the minutes.

Austin, Texas, May 31st 1898.

Honorable City Council,
City of Austin, Texas.
Gentlemen:

Complying with Section 99 k. of the amendment to the Charter of the City of Austin, we submit herewith a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Water, Light and Power plant for the Quarter ending May 31st 1898; and as the report of this Commission for said period, we herewith transmit the report made to us by Mr. H. L. Patterson, Superintendent, which also contains a statement of the amount due by the City to this plant

Light Consumers.		
Incandescent Light Consumers, Feb'y 28 th 1898.		1128.
New applications 64, Renewals 14 Total		78
		<u>1206</u>
Put off for Non-payment 38, Vacancy 9, Request 48, Total		95
Showing a decrease of 17 Consumers for the month, and a total of		<u>1111</u>
Number of Incandescent Lights.		
Number of 10 L.P. Incandescent Lights Installed		4
" " 16 " " " "		13732
" " 25 " " " "		117
" " 37 " " " "		182
" " 50 " " " "		62
One Lights in use by Private Consumers Feb'y 28 th 1898,		47
Discontinued 10, Renewals 4, net loss		6
One Lights used by the City,		<u>101</u>
Total.		732

Water Consumers.		
Number of Water Consumers Feb'y 28 th		7327
Renewals, 1st, New Applications 634		207
		<u>7534</u>
Put off for Non-payment 70, Vacancy 10, Request 41,		121
Total.		<u>7413</u>

There are 24 Motors on the Home-Phase Circuit ranging from 14 to 30 H.P. each.

W. L. Lewis report used by private consumers aggregating Pump Record.

209³/₄ ft. B.

Total Gallons pumped during May 1898,
Maximum per day.
Minimum " " "

154,624.657,
6,200,000.
3,390,000.
4,987,897

Average " " "
Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Water Works, Electric Light and Power Plants of the City of Austin, for the Quarter ending May 31st 1898, to-wit:

		Receipts.	
		Water.	
March.		\$ 3287.63	
April.		2017.90	
May.		<u>1642.80</u>	\$ 6948.33.
		Light.	
March.		\$ 2727.33	
April.		2811.09	
May.		<u>2487.58</u>	\$ 8321.00
		Power.	
March.		\$ 796.64	
April.		1241.09	
May.		<u>1287.86</u>	\$ 3325.59
		Motors.	
March.		\$ 10.00	
April.		84.25	
May.		<u>41.90</u>	\$ 136.15
		Meters.	
March.		\$ 213.95	
April.		52.55	
May.		<u>49.00</u>	\$ 315.50
			\$ 630.79
			\$ 19,677.36
			\$ 17,458.00

Miscellaneous Receipts for the Quarter.

Total Cash Receipts for the
Amount due by the City for Water and Light from April 1st 1897
to May 31st 1898, per bills.

Operating Expenses.
Including Salaries, Maintenance, Repairs, etc.
Electrical Expenses.

Jergarden & Shumate	\$.65
Loeber & McPartey	37.50
E. J. Eggleston & Co.	37.50
Tom Munnah	22.50
Erwin Daniel	37.50
Ozma Carnhart.	7.50
G. B. Hornberger	37.50
J. H. Raymond & S.	37.50
Argon, Lewis, & Gray.	37.50
W. H. Davis	37.50
W. W. Wilmer.	7.50
South Western Tel. & Tel. Co.	9.75

W & L Lewis report

Amtr Buit. Forward	310.40
H & J. L. Coy. Co Freight	5.30
J & S. D. " " "	25.94
St. Wayne Electric Corporation	197.80
Waters Pierce Oil Co.	10.03
General Electric Co.	10.00
Geo. H. Childs	4.00
Calcasieu Lumber Co.	6.85
W. J. Wroe & Sons	6.50
B. Thomson	18.60
Water Pipe	136.85
Hilwell - Pierce Co.	67.20
Phoenix Glass Co.	34.56
Malony Oil Co.	41.12
Thos. Low	1.92
Jack Wurfel	5.70
Contingent	46.30
American Tool & Machine Co.	1.06
Geo. H. Childs	1.30
The D & W. Fuse Co.	12.24
St. Shannon Co.	18.00
Fischer & Bro.	.20
Falls River & Machinery Co.	67.11
Haldeman & Co.	2.50
D. B. Kinney	24.00
Chas. Mungin Belting Co.	5.00
Morland Paint Co.	4.25
McDonald & Sons	.35
Reproducible Governor Works	1.60
J. W. Davis Oil Co.	6.60
Pay Rolls Feb, March & April	3274.50
Total Electrical Expenses.	

\$ 4349.78
4349.78

	Water Expenses.	
	Insurance	
Loovet & McCarty		37.50
O. J. Eggleston & Co.	"	37.50
Tom. Marshall	"	22.50
Erwin Daniel	"	37.50
Annix Barnhart	"	7.50
J. S. Hornberger	"	37.50
W. H. Raymond Jr.	"	37.50
Benjamin Daniel & Stacy	"	37.50
W. H. Stacy	"	37.50
Wm. Wallman	"	7.50
Southwestern Ice & Ice. Co.		9.75
Max Domschke		15.75
Waters Pierce Oil Co.		10.03
Justin Coon & Stationery Co.		1.65
B. Thomson		1.50

\$ 4349.78

Com's report

Am'ts Cr'd. Forward	\$ 338.68	\$ 4347.78
Walter Sips	47.35	
Jim. Mussett.	1.40	
Geo. A. Webb & Bro.	60	
Chas. Wurfel	5.70	
H. & S. R. Ry. Co. Freight.	2.78	
Contingent	27.95	
Malones Oil Co.	13.59	
J. D. Davis Oil Co.	6.60	
D. & S. Ry. Co. Freight	5.17	
Pay rolls, March, February & April.	<u>1551.00</u>	\$ 2000.82
Total Water Expenses		<u>\$ 2000.82</u>

Office Expenses.		
Austin Furniture Co.	\$ 1.00	
Geo. L. Jones & Co.	79.15	
L. A. Dahlisch	3.75	
Corner's Book Store	12.55	
Walter Sips	2.25	
Contingent	31.82	
Bosch's Laundry	2.00	
Knuffel & Esser Co.	4.75	
Eugene Von Boehmann Pub. Co.	15.00	
W. E. Moore & Sons	5.00	
Pay Rolls, Feby. March and April.	<u>1636.00</u>	\$ 1793.24
Total Office Expenses		<u>\$ 1793.24</u>
" Expenses for the Quarter.		\$ 8141.84

Extensions of the Plant Electrical Extensions		
B. Thomson	\$ 120.10	
H. & S. R. Ry. Co.	71.20	
D. & S. Ry. Co.	371.70	
St. Wayne Electrical Corporation	188.25	
Lombard Governor Co.	722.00	
Jones & Laughlin	754.05	
General Electric Co.	1125.75	
Austin White Lime Co.	51.00	
Calcasieu Lumber Co.	5.04	
Austin Electrical Supply Co.	4.75	
Walter Sips	217.12	
H. L. Orennenman	16.00	
W. Donald & Sons	103.75	
Contingent	30.50	
" Labor.	103.25	
J. no. H. Chiles	19.90	
H. Cannon Co.	279.23	
Dixon Car Wash Co.	81.71	
Fischer & Bro.	8.15	
Sale River Machinery Co.	<u>1250.00</u>	5523.42

W.L. Potts report

Amts Orig Forward	5523 48	
Haldeman & Co.	2.40	
Crowell Belting Co.	307.00	
A.W. Johns Mfg. Co.	4.80	
Ling Belt Co.	225.77	
S.O. Padney	17.80	
Stewart-Dicker & Smith-Vail Co.	17.38	
Stanley Electric Mfg. Co.	56.00	
Watson Electrical Instrument Co.	23.75	
Pay Roll, Feb, March and April.	1734.85	
Total Electrical Extensions		\$ 7913.23

Water Extensions

Jno. A. Webb & Bro	\$ 164.48	
Druggarden & Shumate	3.67	
C. J. Widerstrom et. al.	34.00	
Walter Tipes	83.87	
H. S. L. Ry. Co.	90.60	
Contingent	6.50	
" Labor,	141.00	
J. & B. Ry. Co.	83.00	
Pay Roll April.	19.00	
Total Water Extensions	627.02	\$ 627.02

New Pumping Station

J. Thomson	\$ 100.50	
Austin White Lime Co.	24.00	
Austin Sec & Fuel Co.	2.00	
Calcasieu Lumber Co.	105.83	
A. J. Zilker	34.00	
Walter Tipes	183.32	
Jno. A. Webb & Bro.	89.59	
Contingent	29.50	
" Labor.	9.00	
Jno. H. Miles	1.00	
Diogher & Bro.	1.25	
McDonald Sons	17.10	
Ansatt & Beatty	7.25	
H. S. L. Ry. Co.	109.61	
Pay Roll, Feb, March and April	241.77	
Total, New Pumping Station	1654.22	\$ 1654.22

Filtering Ditches

Jno. A. Webb & Bro.	\$ 129.44	
A. J. Zilker	152.00	
H. S. L. Ry. Co.	4.13	
Pay Roll, April.	121.08	
Total for Filtering Ditches	476.62	\$ 476.62

Meters, Water and Electric.

Refunded to Consumers for Meters returned	43.10	43.10
Am't. carried forward		10714.14

W. H. Lewis report	Am't. Adv't. Forward		\$ 10714.19
	Amount paid on New Pump.	Henry E. Worthington	\$ 3642.83
	Total for Extensions		\$ 3642.83
	" " Operating Expenses		\$ 8141.87
	" Disbursements for the Quarter.		\$ 11749.89
	Recapitulation.		
	Receipts.		
	Balance on hand, February 28 th , 1898, last report.		\$ 5057.27
	Receipts for the Quarter.		19677.36
	Disbursements.		
	For Operating Expenses		\$ 8141.87
	" Extensions of the Plant		14357.02
	Balance on hand.		2235.69
		\$ 24,734.58	\$ 24,734.58

Respectfully,
 W. H. Leitman,
 President, Water & Light Commission.

Resolution of Board
 Qualifications

Alderman Selvin moved that the Council now proceed to the election of a Board of Equalization, which motion prevailed.

Nominations

The Mayor declared nominations in order for the members of the Board.

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| Alderman | Stumpel | nominated | Wm. Von Rosenberg Sr. |
| " | Redd | " | R. Weyerman |
| " | Taylor | " | D. B. Grady |
| " | Selvin | " | J. W. Smith |
| " | Powell | " | W. H. Randolph |
| " | Beatty | " | J. L. Wren |
| " | McLemore | " | E. Raymond G. Littlefield & Jas. Valle |
| " | Crosingren | " | R. A. Rutherford |
| " | Zilber | " | Chas. Wolf |
| " | Waddy | " | J. P. Wallace |

On motion nominations were closed.
 The Mayor appointed Aldermen Beatty, Staines & Zilber as Tellers.
 The following was the result of the first ballot:
 Von Rosenberg 3, Weyerman 10, Grady 6, Randolph 12, Wren 3, Raymond 3, Littlefield 3, Valle 2, Rutherford 5, Wolf 4, Wallace 9.
 W. H. Randolph having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected, and a second ballot ordered.

A. P. ...
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The following was the result of the second ballot:
 Weyerman 10, Grady 4, Wren 3, Raymond 1, Littlefield 4, Valle 2, Rutherford 4, Wolf 3, Wallace 9. No one having received a majority, another ballot was ordered and the following reported as the result of the 3rd ballot:
 Von Rosenberg 1, Weyerman 8, Grady 5, Wren 4, Raymond 1, Littlefield 4, Valle 2, Rutherford 1, Wolf 1, Wallace 13.

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Mr. J. P. Wallace having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected, and another ballot ordered, and the following reported as the result of the 4th ballot:
 Weyerman 8, Grady 4, Wren 4, Littlefield 1, Valle 2, Rutherford 1. No one having

received a majority, another ballot was ordered, and the following reported as the result of the 5th ballot:

Weyerman 7, Gracy 5, Wren 6, Littlefield 2. No election and a new ballot ordered, and the following reported as the result of the 6th ballot:

Weyerman 6, Gracy 10, Wren 4. No election, and a new ballot ordered, and the following reported as the result of the 7th ballot:

Weyerman 6, Gracy 10, Smith 2, Wren 2. No election and a new ballot ordered, and the following reported as the result of the 8th ballot.

D.B. Gracy 12, Wren 2. D.B. Gracy having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected.
On motion the Council adjourned.

Jno. A. Johnson
City Clerk.