

Regular meeting of the City Council

Austin Texas Nov 20th 1899

Hon Jno. DeMall Mayor Presiding
Roll Called

Present Aldermen Dunham Glass Morris Mortimer
Nelson Stumpf

Absent Alderman Fischer

On motion of Alderman Morris the minutes were
approved as recorded without reading

Petitions memorials etc

By Alderman Dunham Petition of Citizens asking that a fine be levied
assessed against Harry Brown, in the Mayors Court be remitted Harry Brown
The Mayor having approved the petition, it was granted

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from Citizens asking
the appointment of a Committee of Aldermen and Citizens to
investigate and inquire into the condition of the City's water Light-wood Plant
Plant, to ascertain the cost of erecting auxiliary steam plants
and to inquire into the condition of the old water Co's plant, to
ascertain if it can be purchased and if so upon what terms
and to report their findings to the City Council. etc

On motion the petition was laid over to come up under the
head of new business

By Alderman Glass. Petition of J. W. Mussett. for permission to
remove wayon scales and to erect an iron clad office
building within the fire limits. On motion that portion
of the petition asking permission to remove scales was
granted and the remainder was referred to the fire
Commissioners

By Alderman Glass. Communication from Mrs. A. K. Kenna
regarding Strain Pipe near her building - On motion to stand Pipe
matter was referred to the City Engineer with authority
to act

By Alderman Morris - Petition of Mrs. E. A. Trimble regarding Mrs. Trimble
back taxes. Read and on motion referred to the Finance
Committee

Unfinished business

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance to put
in operation the Corporation Court. The ordinance was
read the third time and on motion was laid over until Court
the second meeting in Dec 1899

New Business

By Alderman Mortimer An ordinance directing the City Treasurer
to transfer to the Treasurer of the School Board
the money realized from the sale of High School bonds
The ordinance was read the first time and on motion
was referred to the Finance Committee

By Alderman Dunham - Resolution authorizing the City Clerk
to appoint an assistant in the month of Dec 1899
The resolution was adopted

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$3000. ^{app. to buy} for the purpose of purchasing bonds for the ^{bonds sinking fund} sinking fund of the Water Light bonds. The purchase ^{of the} bonds made under the supervision of the Finance Committee. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Glass Morris Mortimer Nolen
Stumpf 6

Nays None

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$3000. ^{app. to buy} for the purpose of purchasing bonds for the ^{bonds sinking fund} sinking fund. Funding bonds. The ordinance was ^{Funding bonds} passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Glass Morris Mortimer
Nolen Stumpf 6

Nays None

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$30. ^{app. for} for the purpose of making a deposit ^{U.S. Court} to secure the payment of costs in the U.S. Circuit Court ^{at} in the case of E.C. Bachatomen vs Nalle Rosier vs the City of Austin.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Glass Morris Mortimer
Nolen Stumpf 6

Nays None

Alderman Glass offered the following resolution: Whereas during the present year the City's Water Light Plant has been compelled to shut down on two certain occasions because of the insufficiency of a supply of water with which to operate the machinery, and

Resolution to
appoint Com.
to investigate
Water Plants

Whereas each shut down causes intense trouble, expense and anxiety among the citizens of Austin and vitally seriously against the growth and development of the City, and whereas the recurrence of such conditions can be guarded against by supplementing the present water light and Power Plant of the City by an auxiliary steam plant. Therefore be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin that a Committee of Citizens consisting of Messrs Jas. R. Johnson Edward Sanders D. A. McFall and William Helmer be requested to meet with the Water Light Committee of this Council in an advisory capacity and that said joint Committee look into and investigate thoroughly the present conditions surrounding the City's Water Light Plant the necessity for supplementing same and the best available method for so doing and report their findings and recommendations to this Council at the earliest practical moment consistent

with a thorough and complete investigation of the matter.
 Be it further resolved that the City Clerk be directed to forward to
 each citizen herein requested to act on said advisory Committee
 with a copy of these resolutions duly attested.

The resolution was adopted by the following Vote
 Yeas Alderman Dunham Glaser Morris Mortimer + Nelson 5-
 Nays Alderman Strumpf 1

On Motion the Council adjourned
 Jno. O. Johnson
 City Clerk