

Regular meeting of the City Council  
Austin, Texas, Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 1902

Hon R.E. White Mayor presiding

Roll called

Present Aldermen Crocker Davis Hume Lou Maddox Mortimer  
Nilsen Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Tullit 12  
Absent Alderman Redd 1

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded  
by the clerk, without reading  
memorials, petitions etc

Pet- Mrs  
J V Davis  
for Street

By Alderman Shumate, petition of Mrs J V Davis asking the  
Council to purchase a roadway through her premises in South Austin.  
Read and on motion referred to the Street Committee  
Alderman Redd entered the Council Chamber.

Officers  
reports

Reports of City Officers

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of City officers  
for the month of July 1902 (except that of the Marshal) which  
were on motion referred to their appropriate Committees  
without reading

Finance Com  
report  
City officers

Reports of Standing Committees

Alderman Maddox for the Finance Committee to whom was  
referred the reports of the Assessor & Collector, the Treasurer and  
the Clerk for the month of June 1902, presented a report  
stating that they had examined same and found them  
correct. The report of the Committee was adopted

Ordinance  
Com on  
purchase of  
Water Co.  
plant

Alderman Stumpf one of the ordinance Committee to  
whom was referred an ordinance to provide for the purchase  
of the water, light & power plant of the Austin Water, Light  
& Power Company, presented a report recommending the  
passage of the ordinance with an amendment submitting  
the matter to a vote of the tax paying citizens

Alderman Maddox, one of the same Committee presented  
a report recommending ~~that~~ the passage of the ordinance  
and further that it be not submitted to a vote of the people  
The report of Alderman Stumpf was designated as report No 1  
and that of Alderman Maddox as report No 2

Alderman Stumpf moved the adoption of report No 1  
Alderman Maddox moved as a substitute for the motion  
of Alderman Stumpf to substitute report No 2.

The following charges made by Aldermen Stumpf & Hume  
were read.

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Charge  
Ald Stumpf  
& Hume  
to name  
business

To the Honorable the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the  
City of Austin:

In the matter of the ordinance pending before the City  
Council for the purchase of the plant of the old water Company,  
we charge that L.M. Crocker Alderman from the 3<sup>rd</sup> ward  
was offered by William Prueggerhoff Clammy to act for

Mrs L. B. Pease One hundred dollars for a quit claim deed to a certain piece of property if he would make execute and deliver a quit claim deed to such property, it being a piece of land which had been sold under execution against the said L. M. Crooker, and also vote for the passage of said Ordinance; that from thereto the said Alderman Crooker advised both of us that he was going to vote to submit said ordinance to a vote of the Taxpayers and after said offer was made to him he announced to us his determination to vote for said ordinance without submitting it to a vote of the Taxpayers.

Joseph Stumpf  
J. L. Hume.

Alderman Waddax moved that the Council now proceed to investigate the charges preferred by Aldermen Stumpf & Hume.

Alderman Schneider moved as a substitute that the whole matter be laid over until the next regular meeting of the Council, and that a Committee be appointed to investigate the charges preferred by Aldermen Stumpf & Hume - which motion was lost by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Hume Low & Schneider 3

Nays Aldermen Crooker Davis Waddax Mortimer Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ulit 10

Alderman Mortimer moved that the Council go into Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the charges preferred by Aldermen Stumpf & Hume which motion prevailed by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Waddax

Mortimer Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ulit 12

Nays Alderman Schneider

Alderman Shelley President of the Council in the chair  
The charges were read

Alderman Davis moved that further action be postponed until the next regular meeting of the Council or until a special meeting of same should be called to consider said charges last.

Alderman Crooker made a statement to the Council.

Mr. Donneganhoff was invited to make a statement, which he declined to do

Alderman Schneider moved to adjourn

Alderman Waddax moved that the Committee rise and report back to the Council, that the charges preferred by Aldermen Stumpf & Hume were not sustained, which motion prevailed by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Waddax Mortimer Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate & Ulit 7

Nays Aldermen Davis Hume Low Schneider & Stumpf 5  
not voting Alderman Crooker 1

Mayor White resumed the chair

Committee of whole to investigate

Charges not sustained

Report # 2 adopted

Alderman <sup>Shelley</sup> Chairman, reported that the Committee of the whole had, had under consideration the charges made by Alderman Stumpf & Hume, and that he was directed to report to the Council that after investigation they had decided that the charges were not sustained.

Alderman Maddox renewed his motion to substitute report No 2 for report No 1. which motion prevailed by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate & Uelit 8

Nays Aldermen Davis Hume Low Schneider & Stumpf 5

Alderman Schneider moved to amend the report by adding thereto " provided that the matter be submitted to a vote of the people"

Alderman Maddox raised a point of order, against the amendment stating that a similar amendment had already been voted upon and defeated. The point of order was sustained by the chair

Ordinance to purchase and water to be passed

The Ordinance was then read the third time by Caption and passed by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate & Uelit 8

Nays Aldermen Davis Hume Low Schneider & Stumpf 5

Austin Dam & Suburban RR Ordinance killed

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

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance granting the Austin Dam & Suburban RR, the right to operate its railroad by electricity on steam, upon certain conditions, together with the majority and minority reports of the ordinance and street committees on same.

Alderman Maddox moved the adoption of the minority report, which recommends that the ordinance do not pass, which motion prevailed by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate & Uelit 8

Nays Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume & Stumpf 4

Alderman Schneider moved to reconsider the vote by which the Council adopted the minority report, and to lay the motion to reconsider on the table, which motion prevailed

Zillenbach Ave. leave

On motion of Alderman Shelley leave of absence was granted Assistant Assessor & Collector Zillen for two weeks, commencing on the 10th inst

City Atty Brooks leave

On motion City Attorney Brooks was granted a leave of absence from Aug 15th to Sept 20th 1912

Alderman Shumate offered a resolution authorizing the street committee to advertise for bids for constructing storm sewers on certain streets of the city, also for extending

Resolution 51-  
Com to advertise  
for bids for  
sewers etc

pavements on Congress Avenue from 1st to 11th Streets etc  
On motion the resolution was referred to the Street  
Committee

Extract from  
\$250. for

By Alderman Nitsche An ordinance appropriating the sum  
of \$250. for the purpose of paying for extra street labor  
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules  
by the following vote

Ayes Aldermen Crocker Davis Kume Maddox Mortimer Nitsche  
Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Struff Tuley 12  
Nays None.

\$25 to repair  
South Austin  
Fire Hall

By Alderman Redd An ordinance appropriating the sum  
of \$25 - for the purpose of repairing South Austin Fire Hall  
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by  
the following vote

Ayes Aldermen Crocker Davis Kume Maddox Mortimer  
Nitsche Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Struff Tuley 12  
Nays None.

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

Atty for City  
in case of  
Bathelmore  
City ask for  
instructions

Judge Down for the Attorneys for the City, in the case of  
Bartholomew Receiver vs the City of Austin, stated that they  
had succeeded in having bills of exceptions etc, approved  
by the Judge, and asked for further instructions as to what they  
should do in the case, now that the City had determined to  
purchase the plant of the old water Company

On motion the Attorneys were directed to proceed with the case  
and to perfect the appeal

On motion the Council adjourned

Geo. Johnson  
City Clerk