

Called meeting of the City Council of the city of
Austin January 7th 1882.

W A Taylor

Presiding

Roll call of the Council Present: Alderman Bruggershoff,
Platt and Morrill absent Alderman Metz Quincy Schuler
Radkey Kuppertz Wilson Cook

Alderman Bruggershoff moved. Under care of the Council
The Marshall was dispatched after absence.

Alderman Cook Metz Wilson Quincy Kuppertz came
in and answered to their names in the above order

Minutes of the regular meeting of Dec 8 1881
read and adopted, also minutes of Called meeting of December
19th 1881 were also read and adopted

Alderman Platt rose to a point of order stating
that he wished to know the Mayor's ruling on veto messages
that the ordinance specified at time to return vetoes to the
Council His honor the mayor stated that heretofore
it had been the custom to return to the Council all veto
messages at the next regular ^{session} meeting of the Council but that
hereafter he would return his vetoes to the Council by and in
the way that was provided in article 7 Sec 1 of the revised
City Ordinance of the City of Austin

Alderman Kuppertz asked to be excused. excused
by the Council

Petition Signed by Citizens of Robinson Hill was
presented and read requesting that Patrick Mc Mannary
be appointed a regular Policeman of this City Petition referred
to Police committee

His honor the Mayor ruled that all petitions to be presented
to the City Council would not be received unless presented to the
Council by one of its members

Petition of John W Blum, supt. of repairs of U.S Building
Benj C Gualow Custodian U.S.C.H. and P.O. Austin Calling
attention to the condition of the streets and gutters on Becon
and Colorado streets in front of the U.S Building asking that
the streets be graded and the gutters paved Petition was read
and referred to Street Committee

Alderman Cook presented a petition from Citizens
of Austin for L.W. Cavin asking that he be allowed to carry
out his contract to sprinkle the streets of Austin for year of 1882
referred to street committee Mayor Stewart requested permission
to address the council in behalf of his citizen request was granted
whereupon May Stewart did address the council on the above named
subject

Alderman Cook offered the petition of Cora B. Glass asking that she be allowed to redeem five acres of land out of Block 55 division B in the city of Austin sold for taxes July 8th 1879. Petition was granted by the city council on condition that the said Cora B. Glass pay all taxes and costs now due upon said land.

A Petition signed by Citizens of the fifth ward was offered and read asking that Chestnut street be run through Block 17 and 18, on motion petition was referred to street committee.

Alderman ^{Cook} presented a petition from Board of Trustees of Austin Free school asking that they be allowed the use of the City park in the first ward for school purposes for first ward Alderman Rueggerhoff moved that petition be referred to street Committee motion Carried.

Mr. Emmet by permission of the council addresses the Council in behalf of Capt Ed. Crang and requested that a committee be appointed to adjust his accounts. referred to Finance committee.

Petition of E. B. Cornell asking that pay be allowed him from Nov 15 to Nov 25 1881. Petition referred to Finance Committee.

Petition of Officer C. H. Randolph asking that he be allowed to draw pay for the time he lost by sickness in the months of October and Nov 1881 was received and read. Petition was referred to Police Committee.

Petition of John Sheehan for settlement of his account against the City for work done of sewer was received and read on motion of Alderman Morley the petition was laid on the table.

Report of the city Marshal for the month of December 1881 was received and reported. Fines \$510⁰⁰ Five hundred and ten dollars. Fines collected \$352⁰⁰ Three hundred and fifty two dollars. Fines worked out on the streets \$108⁰⁰ One hundred and fifty eight dollars.

Report of City Marshal as Pound master for the month of December 1881 was read and received Receipts twenty five dollars (\$25.00) Expended twenty five dollars (\$25.00)

Report of the City Physician was read and accepted the following is the report submitted by the City Physician
Hon. Mayor and City Council of the city
of Austin Texas

As the lease of the City with the Manning Infirmary has expired I think it best to enter into a new contract and am authorized by the proprietors to state that twenty five (\$25.00) dollars per bed per month will be charged the City furnishing necessary medicines and treatment the City having the right to ably pay for those actually in hospital according to number and time of caring for them I would further suggest that the City advertise for bids to fill prescriptions

Respectfully Submitted

J. Cummings M. D.
City Physician

Hon. Mayor and City Council of the City of Austin
Gentlemen My last report shows four cases remaining in Hospital since which time I ordered in four and discharged three leaving now under treatment in hospital five no deaths in hospital in same report six out cases remained under treatment since twenty out cases have received necessary medical treatment making twenty six cases attended to two of which have died Number of written prescriptions in addition to medicines furnished at hospital sixty four number of visits divide those at hospital which were every day except two were forty five total visits seventy three, J. C.

Respectfully Submitted

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City Physician

Austin Texas January 1st 1882

Hon. Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Austin
Gentlemen Under the present pressure and at this of endeavoring to eradicate smallpox from the City it is impossible for me to enter into details regarding all that has been done I have now erected over the river thirteen tents most of which are of the largest size that could be procured from our City dealers. Bedding medicines provisions wagons telephone and every necessity have been furnished under my orders

the business men of our City have credited us freely and have shown every disposition to encourage and render their aid so that there has been but little trouble in procuring what is demanded. The number of families that it has been necessary to move out of the city and furnish necessary supplies will demand a much larger appropriation to meet the expenses attached thereto in addition to the rules published in last Sunday's Standard I have given orders to prohibit the families guards nurses or patients from sending written messages to the City or elsewhere and it is now required that all communications of this character be telephoned to the Mayor's office where the Clerk on duty will if necessary reduce to writing and send to place of destination whether for the mails or to be delivered in the City. The object of this being to protect the mails and citizens from this possible source of infection.

Without a disposition to complain the board of health on my part but as a question of fact I will state that as it has been seldom hitherto that the telephone has been used for this purpose is due to its recent introduction and its advantages are so great. This in connection with other arrangements to protect the city and I may say state gives us so far as I know the best system of isolation that can be operated for such a purpose.

Respectfully submitted
J. Cummings M.D.

City Physician and President of the board of health

Report of City sexton for the month of December 1881
read and received.

Alderman Platt moved that a vote of thanks be tendered by the council to J. Cummings, City Physician for the earnest and faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office to prevent the spreading of smallpox in the City. Motion carried.

Moved and seconded that so much of the City Physician's report as pertains to appropriating money for the expense of the smallpox patients be referred to finance committee.
Referred to finance committee.

Alderman Knappert offered the following report of the Printing committee which was read and accepted.
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To the Honor the Mayor and Board of Alderman

of the City of Austin

We the undersigned your committee on printing beg leave to report that they have examined the several bids for the printing of the city of Austin and find that Mr W. J. Leaden is the lowest and best bidder for printing the city ordinances in a daily paper. Class 1

That Mr. E. W. Borchman is the lowest and best bidder for the job work of the city enumerated as class 2 and respectfully recommend that the contract be so awarded and the Mayor and your committee authorized to enter into contract with them

Respectfully re
E. Huppertz
H. B. Hinney
H. A. Noeller.

Alderman Noeller moved that the mayor be authorized to enter in contract with W. J. Leaden for printing of the City ordinances and that his honor the mayor be authorized to enter into contract with E. W. Borchman for the job work of the city motion carried

An Ordinance was introduced by the finance committee authorizing the Mayor to order an election on the question of extending the limit of the debt of the city which was read first time. Alderman Bruggertoff moved that the rule be suspended and that the ordinance be placed on its second reading which was lost by the following vote. Alderman Hinney Cook Bruggertoff. Radkey Noeller. aye. ^{alderman} City Platt Wilson. Aye. Alderman Schurr. Edward Alderman Huppertz.

On motion the Mayor was authorized to lease Messrs Couchens Savage and his grounds on the river walk for the period of twenty five years (25) at the rate of twenty (20) dollars per annum lease read and approved

Alderman Platt moved that the City attorney draw up an agreement between the City of Austin and the Houston and Texas Central Railway in accordance with the ordinance granting the Houston and Tex Central Railway the right of way through the city of Austin Motion Carried

His honor the Mayor offered the resignation of E. W. Patterson

as City Clerk which was excepted and offered the name the name of J. L. Purnell as City Clerk Alderman Platt moved that he be elected by acclamation on Motion Alderman Morrell seconded the motion he was elected Alderman Brueggerhoff moved that the City Clerk give a bond of one thousand dollars to the Mayor of Austin for the faithful discharge of his duties motion carried

Alderman Brueggerhoff offered the following ordinance which was read first time and passed by the following vote Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Austin That the sum of Two thousand and seven dollars and ninety eight cents (2007⁹⁸/₁₀₀) be and is hereby appropriated to pay the employees of the City of Austin for the month of December 1881 That this Ordinance be in force be in force from and after its passage Passed by the following vote yeas ^{alderman} Mitz Spinner Cook Brueggerhoff Rodkey Morrell Wilson nays Alderman Platt absent Alderman Schuber and Huppertz Alderman Morrell moved that the rules be suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading carried by the following vote yeas Alderman Mitz Spinner Cook Brueggerhoff Rodkey Morrell Wilson nays Alderman Platt absent Alderman Schuber and Huppertz

Alderman Cook moved that the rules be further suspended and the ordinance be placed on its third reading and final passage which passed by the following vote yeas ^{alderman} Mitz Spinner Cook Brueggerhoff Rodkey Morrell Wilson nays Alderman Platt Absent Alderman Schuber and Huppertz

Alderman Brueggerhoff offered the following ~~motion~~ resolution which was passed That J. W. Howard has failed to file to file his official bond as City Treasurer that he be called upon to file the same with the Mayor before the meeting of the next ^{council} meeting and that if he failed to file his bond by the time of the next meeting that the office be declared vacant that the City Clerk notify J. W. Howard of the action of the council in regard to his bond

The following report was received and read in the undersigned Ordinance committee being unable to agree upon the salaries of appointed city officers recommend an executive session for the discussion of this matter W. H. Moeller. N. B. Metz R. Platt.

Alderman Platt submitted the following resolution and asked its adoption in lieu of resolutions adopted by the late City Council on Nov 12th 1881

Those foregoing resolutions are not in any respect reflective of the prevailing sentiment the following are submitted in their stead

First That the principal extravagant City administration known to us was the City of Austin which show of virtuous indignation the foregoing preamble and resolution Second That the theory that municipal government were created to protect property alone has its origin in ignorance of selfishness unworthy the spirit of American.

third That the municipal government of the City of Austin is not supported by tax on the really alone as less than half of her revenue is derived for that source Fourth That the cry of no ballot without taxation is derived from fraudulent ignorance is unjust in these days of progress is vicious for does not labor of the country pay for everything without labor would it really have the values it now boast of. Is not labor entitled to the highest consideration and does it not receive the highest consideration from far seeing Statesmen does not the constitution of the United States declare that all men are free and equal being the very foundation is not labor more interest in the welfare of the country than any other interest Or has the time come when the reality of the country has snatched the crown of sovereignty from the people. With a proper regard for their own course in such matters should have caused caused our predecessors to omit any reference to an alarming growth of municipal indebtedness reference suggest to the financial condition of the City made by the report We the City Council of the city of Austin do therefore respectfully represent to his excellency O. M. Roberts Governor of Texas that those resolutions are unjust to the prevailing sentiment of the people of Austin and the offspring of a disappointed sentiment at the defeat of the movers in the last City election.

We also respectfully represent that the manifest desire of the people of Austin is to be found in full accord with the spirit of Progress of the day which alone can secure moral and physical development. that they do not desire now any further legislation that they do desire to remain undisturbed by any interference until the extravagance of the past can be corrected without injustice to any and we do respectfully recommend to the consideration of your Excellency the Grand axiom

That in a republican form of government, the right of suffrage should ~~not~~ rest not upon the accidents of humanity but humanity its self.

Alderman Kinney offered the following Ordinance
Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Austin

That one hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purchase of wood for the use of the City be and the same is hereby appropriated and the Mayor is hereby authorized to issue warrants against the same Ordinance passed by the following vote

Yeas Metz Kinney Cook Bruggertoff Radkey Mortler Wilson Yeas. Platt Absent Schubert and Huppertz

On motion the rules were suspended and the Ordinance placed on its second reading and passed by the following vote Yeas. Metz Kinney Cook Bruggertoff Radkey Mortler and Wilson

Nays Alderman Platt absent. Huppertz Schubert

On motion the rules were further suspended and the Ordinance placed in its third reading and final passage and passed by the following vote Yeas. Alderman Metz Kinney Cook Bruggertoff Radkey Mortler and Wilson Nays. Alderman Platt. Absent Alderman Huppertz Schubert.

Petition of John Bremona Chief of the Austin fire department asking that the sum of four thousand five hundred and twenty four dollars be appropriated to pay the expenses of the fire department of the city of Austin from November 1st 1881 to October 31st 1882

On motion the Petition was laid over.

Alerman Cook offered the following Ordinance
which was read and

Be it Enacted by the City Council of the
City of Austin

That the sum of Fifty dollars, \$50.00
be and the same is hereby appropriated to build
two Carriage bridges in the City Cemetery

Harman Koller moved that the rules be
suspended and the Ordinance placed on its second
reading. Carried by the following vote, Yeas Metz
Cook Nimmy Brueggerhoff, Radkey and Wilson
Nay Ald Platt. Absent Kuppertz Schuber.

On Motion the rules were further suspended
and the ordinance placed on its third reading by
the following vote. Yeas Metz Cook Nimmy
Brueggerhoff, Radkey, Wilson Nay Platt
absent Kuppertz, Schuber.

On Motion of Ald Wilson the Ordinance
passed by the following vote yeas Metz Cook Nimmy
Brueggerhoff, Koller, Wilson Radkey,
Nay, Platt Absent Kuppertz Schuber.

On motion the Council adjourned

J. H. Burnall
City Clerk