

Regular Meeting of the City Council
Austin Tex March 19th 1883.

Hon W A Saylor Mayor Presiding

Roll call present aldermen Metz Kinney
Lawrence Schubert Brueggerhoff Kuppertz Morrell
Platt & Wilson absent alderman Radkey

A fine of one dollar was entered against
alderman Radkey for non attendance at
this meeting

Minutes of the Council Meetings
of Feb 7, 1883 and March 6 & 10, 1883 read and approved

On motion of alderman Platt Aldermen
Kuppertz & Schubert were excused from fine
entered against them for non attendance at
former Council meeting. An account of absence
from the City and sickness

Alderman Brueggerhoff offered a petition
of lay payors of the 5 ward asking the Council
to locate two fire hydrants in said ward one
on the corner of San Sabro and Louise street and
the other on the corner of Orange and
San Sabro street The petition was read and
ordered filed

A petition was received from John Garner
a Texas veteran asking the Council to allow him to
open a news stand without paying to the City an
occupation tax

Petition referred to the Charity Committee
with instructions to report an Ordinance to the
Council to cover the amount of his occupation tax

The following petitions to redeem land sold by the
City for Taxes were granted W M. Walton to redeem
Lot 6 7 & 8 in Block 6. sold for taxes of 1878 Harry
Hawkins to redeem ^{part of} Lot 7 & 8 9 in Block 99. sold for
taxes of 1879.

The following report was received from the Ordinance committee which was adopted.

To the Hon Mayor and City Council of the City of Austin
Gentlemen

We the undersigned committee to whom was referred the petition of A. D. Hane Esq. have to report that we do not consider it advisable to grant the same as we are not sufficient authority to decide the question of Law involved in this matter and we recommend to reject the demand and leave it to higher courts to render a decision as to the legality or illegality of the tax in question.

H. W. Koller

R. Platt

N. B. Metz.

Alderman Brueggerhoff called up an Ordinance repealing Art 34 of the revised Ordinances of the City of Austin and enacting an Ordinance creating a poundmaster, his powers and duties. The Ordinance was read second time and then read third time under suspension of the rules and passed by the following Vote Yeas Aldermen Kinney Metz, Lawrence Brueggerhoff Kuppertz Koller and Platt and Wilson Nays Alderman Schubert.

Alderman Koller called up an Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$441⁵⁰ to pay J. R. P. Mc Fall, City Engineer said amount having been deducted from his salary in 1887. by reducing the salary of the City Engineer. The ordinance was read third time the motion to pass the Ordinance was lost by the following Vote Yeas Alderman Metz, Schubert Brueggerhoff, Koller Nays Aldermen Kinney Lawrence Kuppertz Platt & Wilson.

Alderman Platt introduced an ordinance amending sections of an Ordinance, entitled an Ordinance granting to the State of Texas the right to lay a sewer within the City passed Augth 1887. said amendment grants to the State the right to lay a sewer on any street Lane alley or Common in the City. The Ordinance was read first time.

Alderman Wilson offered the following resolution in connection with the Ordinance offered by Alderman Platt. The resolution was adopted and the resolution and the Ordinance was referred to the City Money

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

Whereas an Ordinance passed August 7th 1882 granting to the State of Texas the right to erect a system of underground sewerage within the limits of the City of Austin

Whereas the State of Texas or some one acting for the State have laid or caused to be laid down said sewer along East Avenue to the Colorado river without the knowledge or consent of this body.

Therefore be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin That before granting the right they now ask that they be compelled to grade the full width of the street where it is found open on a level with the top of the grade covering the sewer on East Avenue where they have laid said sewer above the ground on said street

And where they have taking out dirt for the purpose of filling. The same shall be left in as smooth and as passable condition as it was before moving said dirt and be it further resolved That it is hereby made the duty of the City Engineer to see that the provisions herein contained are complied with

Alderman Brueggerhoff offered the following Resolution which was adopted

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin That the Mayor is hereby authorized to make deeds to cemetery lots to citizens who have purchased lot in the old Cemetery prior to the year 1868 for which no deeds were made. upon proof of payment therefore according to the maps of the City Cemetery in the hands of the assessor and Collector

Alderman Platt offered the following resolution which was adopted

Whereas the streets sidewalk alleys and River walks are being extensively appropriated by individuals and Corporations for their use

and benefit and to the great inconvenience and injury of the City and the public generally Therefore.

Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin That the Mayor is hereby requested to report to the Council at the next regular meeting what further legislation is necessary if any. To compel said individuals or corporations to remove said obstructions and to prevent such or other obstructions being made hereafter.

Alderman Brueggerhoff offered the following Resolution which was referred to the Fire Committee with instructions to investigate the matter and see at what points in the City fire plugs are most needed and report to the Council at the next meeting.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin That the Mayor and Fire Committee be and are hereby authorized to contract with the City Water Company for two fire hydrants to be erected in the Fifth ward known as Wheatville addition under the rules and provisions of the present contract with the City Water Company.

Alderman Kinney introduced an Ordinance requiring all owners of property fronting on Pecan street between Sausalito and Colorado streets to grade and pave the sidewalks in front of their property within ten days after they are notified to do so by the Mayor Graders for the same to be furnished by the City Engineer and the work to be done under the supervision of the street committee The pavement to be constructed out of firm and durable limestone.

The ordinance was read and then read second and third time under suspension of the rules and passed by the following vote yeas Aldermen Metz Kinney Schuber Lawrence Brueggerhoff Huppert. Moeller Platt & Wilson.

The Mayor nominated Thomas Flinn and C. W. Wink as special policemen of the City of Austin, the nominations were confirmed by acclamation.

The Mayor presented the returns from the Election held March 19 1883 For the officers of the Austin Fire Department which shows, August Zeller Chief John P Kirk assistant chief and Charles Koofkeutz, Recorder.

The council confirmed the officers elect of Austin Fire Department by acclamation.

On Motion the Council adjourned

Jos L Burnell
City Clerk

Regular meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas April 9 1883
Hon W A Caylay Mayor Presiding

Roll call present alderman Metz
Kinney Platt and Wilson,

Absent aldermen Lawrence Schubert
Brueggerhoff Radkey Kuppertz & Moeller

On motion the Council was called
and the Marshal sent after the absentees

Aldermen Radkey and Schubert came
in and answered to their names

On motion the Council
adjourned.

J L Burnell
City Clerk