

Regular meeting of the City Council

Austin Tex Nov 1883

Cow W A Taylor Mayor Presiding

None can present Aldermen

Kirney Blath and Wilson absent Aldermen

Mitz Lawrence Schuber Dickie Huppner
and Sned.

On motion the Council adjourned
until Wednesday Nov 7th 1883

J L Burnell

City Clerk

Adjourned meeting of the City Council

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Present Aldermen Kirney

Lawrence Schuber Blath and Wilson

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

Alderman Sned came in and answered
to his name call of the Council suspended

Reading of the minutes of Oct 10th 1883
suspended

On motion the regular order of
Business was suspended to take up the returns
from the election in the 5 ward

The committee appointed to canvass
the returns from the 5 ward submitted the follow
ing report which was adopted

We the undersigned committee
appointed to canvass the returns from the
election held in the 5 ward for alderman
of said ward find that Max Maas received
37 votes Taylor Stringer & vote Ram Richardson
& vote were lost. find that Max Maas having
received a majority of the votes cast was duly
elected alderman of the fifth ward

Blath

Schuber

Kirney

Committee

Alderman elect Max Maas came forward and was
sworn in by his honor the Mayor as an alderman
of the City of Austin

a Petition was received from J. W. Keeran asking the Council to refund to him the amount that his horse sold for at a pound sale less the expense incurred by the City, amount asked for and allowed by the Council \$192.9

A Petition was received from Citizens on Pecan street between Colorado and Guadalupe who have constructed sidewalks in front of their ~~private~~ property, asking the Council to construct pavements at the expense of such owners as have not complied with an ordinance requiring them to grade and pave sidewalks in front of their property.

The petition was adopted and the Mayor and street Committee were requested to see that the terms of the ordinance was complied and to build sidewalks at the expense of property owners who have failed to comply with said ordinance.

A Petition was received from the City Water Company asking the City Council to allow the \$41.48 due for water supply said amount having been deducted from their bill. Referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition was received from Charles Cortissoz asking the Council to allow him to erect a staircase on Pecan street at the building known as the Ziller Property Referred to the street Committee.

The following is the annual report of the Mayor for the fiscal year ending Oct 31 1883
Mayor's Office

Austin Tex

(Oct 31, 1883)

To The Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of Austin

Gentlemen

In compliance with the City Charter of the City of Austin I have the honor to submit my annual report ending Oct 31 1883

I find upon examination of the City debt on Nov 15 1881 when the present administration was installed

Outstanding 10% Bonds	\$89,900.00
" " 6% "	\$95,00.00
" " 10% Warrants	\$700.00
" " 6% "	\$39,378.72
" " Claims	<u>\$1,678.79</u>

Total Debt	\$145,107.01
Less cash on hand	<u>\$4,635.01</u>
Oct 31 1880 outstanding 10% bonds	\$87,100.00
" " 6% Bonds	\$11,500.00
" " 6% Warrants	11,308.97
Less cash in Treasury	\$10,708.97
Total debt Oct 31 1883.	<u>\$15,217.84</u>

Decrease of Debt in 3 years \$44,860.97

This reduction of debt was a matter which under the City Charter and your oaths was compulsory

Article 6 second of the City Charter says under "General Powers of the Mayor and City Council The Mayor and city Council shall have power within the City by ordinance to raise money on the Credit of the City by issuing bonds of the City or otherwise provide the debt of the City shall not at any one time exceed \$100,000. except by consent of two thirds of the Citizens voting at an election ordered for that purpose after thirty days notice by the Mayor by the authority of and in the method that may be prescribed by the City Council when you take into consideration this express prohibition of an increase of debt and the further fact of an overwhelming vote of the people in Feb 1883 against the proposed \$50,000. bond issue I take it no sensible man can blame you for not exceeding your authority or refusing to violate your oaths The above prohibitory provisions of the Charter is the only answer necessary to that class who demand improvements and denounce the City Government for not making them when in reality they do not furnish the means necessary to do so

it is actually necessary that the people of Austin should awake to the fact that we have a city of steady and permanent growth. From the best data obtainable our population now exceeds 15,000 inhabitants and increasing at the rate of 2000 per annum. I congratulate the people upon this fact and urge upon them the necessity of keeping apace with their prosperity by a system of public improvements that will be permanent and beneficial in their character to accomplish this desirable end the necessary means must be provided.

From the Assessors and Collectors Books I find the total valuation of property for 1888 \$ 887,748
against for 1887

increase of valuation 1888	<u>510,983.7</u>
as against 1887 to 1888.	<u>634,911</u>
	<u>350,940</u>
Total increase of valuation 1888	<u>985,151</u>

This rapid increase must be met by a corresponding increase of expenditures to keep our city abrash of the spirit of enterprise which has shown its self in our midst. I have repeatedly called your attention to the necessity of a system of sewers and drains and while this administration has been unable to accomplish but little on account of a debt we were by our oaths and the City Charter compelled to pay we leave to our successors that exceed said \$11,308.77 outstanding 6 percent warrant of a former administration the payment of which I trust you will provide for before the expiration of your terms Holders of these warrants have been very patient considering the fact they were payable on demand and for two years have quietly waited our pleasure believing we were conscientiously making every effort that economy and prudence would warrant to meet these obligations by these means we have paid since November 15th 1887 in 6% warrants \$8,069.80

" 10% warrants	\$700.00
in claims former administration	5,688.99
Total old debt paid	\$34,398.09

Cash in the City Treasury Oct 31 1863	\$15,797.84
" Nov 10 1863	\$4,635.01
Excess cash in Treasury now over Oct 31	\$10,662.83
Total	\$45,060.92

Less two 10% bonds called in June 1863 \$500.00
 showing \$44,860.92 less liabilities of the City Oct 31 1863 as against Nov 10 1863 the date we received the City government from our predecessors

I will be observed there is in the City Treasury the sum of \$15,797.84 cash of this amount the sum of \$5,000 has been set aside and appropriated for the purpose of building a City and County hospital the County furnishing a like amount. Plans for said building have been adopted and advertisement for bids for the erection of the same have been published this long felt want on the part of the City I am glad to see is now to be supplied and in a few months we will be able to furnish good accommodations for the sick and afflicted.

I respectfully call your attention to the report of the City Marshal and join in his recommendations when we take into consideration the small number of the police force their efficiency can be better understood. The police force of Austin are entitled to the kindest wishes of every Citizen of our city and I desire to express to them my hearty appreciation of their services feeling assured that every law abiding Citizen joins me in this recognition of their worth.

The efficient fire department of Austin keeps up their deserved reputation. Their activity promptness and unswerving discharge of their duties when the dreaded alarm calls them to the scene of danger is noticeable by every citizen and the unanimous of praise given them fully deserved when we found it necessary to curtail expenses of that department like true and brave men they acquiesced with out faltering in any respect and fought the demon if anything with a braver

determination to conquer than ever. I trust now the City Finance will justify it you will be more liberal in supplying their wants and call your attention especially to the Chief's report and urge you to provide them with the necessities required.

I heartily second the recommendation of Chief Giller as to the electric fire alarm and trust you will take immediate steps to put it in operation.

I would respectfully suggest that you add sufficient appropriation to the Market House fund to erect a \$5,000. market on the market block No. 57. and a sufficient sum to erect three other market houses in other parts of the City so that each part of the City be provided with good market accommodations.

The question of streets and bridges is of such importance that every available dollar that can be used should be appropriated so that bridges of a permanent character can be built and the many streets so long in need should be thoroughly repaired. Every citizen in the City is directly interested in this subject and now that the City Finances are in such a shape as to enable the Council to make liberal appropriations I trust you will take immediate steps towards accomplishing this purpose.

The matter of lighting the streets I take it is in so advanced condition as to insure its settlement at the next meeting of the Council and that soon our beautiful Hill City will be illuminated and our days of darkness.

It is with feelings of deep regret that I allude to the loss of Aldermen Brueggerhoff, Radney and Pfannkuche who have passed from among us to join the innumerable host that have gone before.

Very Respectfully
W A Taylor
Mayor

The following is the annual report of the City assessor and Collector City Treasurer and City Clerk. The reports were read and then referred to the Finance Committee.

Report of the City assessor and Collector for the Fiscal year ending Oct 31 1883
 Total amount collected from Jan 1 1883 to April 30, 1883 \$7,758.00
 " " " April 30 to July 31 1883 3435.40⁷⁰
 " " " July 31, Oct 31 1883 16,439.61
 " " " Aug 1, 1883 Oct 31 1883 14,936.28
 Total 77,777.98
 By Receipts of City Treasurer to 878 done
 9/1 inclusive 77,777.98

Recapitulation
 To income from Ad Valorem Tax 1883 6,161.93.
 " " " 1882 44,688.07
 " " " 1881 344.90
 " " " 1880 393.70
 " " " " 1879 242.60.
 " " " " 1878 154.00
 " " " " 1877 189.00
 " " " " 1876 219.00
 " " " " Back Taxes 434.08
 " " " Licenses 10,971.30
 " " " Market house 1,133.75
 " " " Cemetery 1,149.00
 " " " Mayors Court 5,774.00
 " " " Ground rent 460.00
 " " " Dog tax 2.50
 " " " Miscellaneous 462.40
 Total 77,777.98

The following is the annual report of the City Treasurer for the fiscal year ending Oct 31 1883

Debits
 Balance on hand Nov 1, 1882 6,067.75
 Received from assessor on ad valorem Tax 57,897.78
 " " " on Licenses Tax 10,971.30
 " " " Ink Fund 1,133.75
 " " " Cemetery fund 1,149.00
 " " " General " 6,696.65 77,777.98
 Received from Mayor Taylor proceeds of sale
 of 6% Bonds \$500. each 3,000.00
 Total 81,846.73

Credits

Interest account.

Paid coupons due Dec 1, 1883 on 10% bonds \$150.00
 " " Jan 1, 1883 .. . 4,345.00
 " " June .. . 150.00
 " " July 1 .. . 4,345.00
 " " 6% .. . 30.00
 " " Jan 1 .. . " 285.00
 " " July .. . 285.00 \$7,590.00

Paid non interest warrants for interest 6% warrants 977.88

Back debt

Paid 6% interest warrants 9506.10
 " Non .. . 237.00
 " " , white issue 1.00
 " " Debris .. . 70 \$9,746.80

Cemetery fund Paid non interest warrants 790.00

Market .. . " 660.81
 General .. . " 41,977.80

Bond account Paid twenty eight.
 10 percent bonds No 10510139 inclusive \$100. each 2800.00

Balances

Back debt account	2119	
Cemetery fund	35400	
Market "	1,007.65	
Hospital fund	5,078.89	
General "	8,636.11	
Bond account	200.00	\$35,297.84

Conditional of Balances

account	Cash approv ^{ed}	unapprov ^{ed}	over approv ^{ed}
Cemetery fund.	35400	28630	6770
Market "	1,007.65	83.00	984.60
Hospital "	5,078.89	5,000.00	78.89
General "	8,636.11	1,614.93	7,021.18
Back debt account	2119	30.75	0.00
Bond account	200.00	200.00	
Total	\$15,297.84	\$7,104.00	\$8,157.14
			\$9.06

School fund.

Received from state of Texas certificate of credit
 for available school fund appertaining to
 school City of Austin for the year ending Aug 31, 1884 \$7,745.00
 Paid to B C Ludlow Treasurer of Austin Public
 schools. \$7,745.00

J. W. Howard
 City Treasurer

Annual report of the City Clerk for the year ending
Oct 31 1883

Warrants issued from Nov 1 1882 to
Oct 31 1883

For Salaries and Commissions	11006.41
Police	7736.21
Fire Department	4431.90
Street and Bridges	*3577.55
Cemetery	*841.16
Sanitary	1357.77
Miscellaneous	1738.08
Hospital	1387.30
Street Lamps	4073.1
Feeding City Prisoners	1,433.35
Printing Postage and stationery	1.116.13
Water Rents	*4674.67
Interest	1007.88
Painters	*75.00
Market House	<u>969.84</u>
	\$43.896.76

Austin Oct 31 1883

Leon W A Taylor Mayor

Dear Sir

I have the honor to submit the following condensed statement of Police department actions for the year ending Oct 31 1883 and a few suggestions that the experience of the past year has led to.

For violations of City ordinances there has been 1702 arrests made fine to the amount of \$5548.50 have been collected in cash worked out or laid out in the City Prison \$1083.50 \$206.85 has been collected from the rent of vegetable stalls in the City Market.

Amount of property and money stolen and reported to the police \$600. Amount recovered \$2184.

I would most respectfully request that you would recommend the increase of the Police force to twelve patrolmen two of whom should be mounted and that they be uniformed by the City.

I would also suggest the purchase by the City of two more carts and horses

for scavenger work and repairing the streets
in order that the labor of the City Prisoners
may be more advantageously utilized and further
that the prisoners be allowed credit only for the
time they work unless under treatment by
Physician.

The feeding of the City Prisoners under
the contract system has failed to give satisfaction
and I suggest that it be done by the City Marshal
who can be made directly responsible.

Hoping these suggestions may coincide
with your views on the subject named I
have the honor to remain

Yours Respectfully

John P Kirk

City Marshal.

The following is the report of the Chief of
the Fire Department for the fiscal year ending October 1883

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Alder-
men of the City of Austin

Gentlemen

In compliance with article
177. of the ordinances of the City of Austin
I respectfully submit my annual statement
of the proceeding of this department for
the year ending Oct 31st 1883. together with
the condition of the same.

The active force of the department consists
of one hundred and forty members composed
of the very best men of the community every
ready and willing to sacrifice their all in
the case emergency. Few cities in the south
can boast of as respectable fire department
as the City of Austin. During the present
year there has occurred twenty seven fires
and three alarms. A loss of near \$80,000. of which
\$17,535 was covered by insurance.

The City has in its employ 4 horses and
one engineer. Fire apparatus belonging to the
City consists of two Riley steam fire engines
two Hook and Ladder trucks and two hosecarriages
and one reservoir hose carriage all in good con-
dition with sufficient hose for any emergency.
washing engine No 1 has invested about \$5000.

Colorado about \$900. Hook and Ladder No 500.
 Protection No 3 about \$900. The amounts have been
 invested by the different companies in order
 to make the fire department more effective
 the City not being in a condition to pay the
 same. since the existence of the fire department
 we have labored under great disadvantage
 namely. when fire breaks out it takes too
 long before word reaches the police station
 I would recommend the electric fire alarm
 system I would also suggest to your honorable
 body the necessity of having an other hose
 in the northern part of the City as you all
 no doubt are aware that in the northern
 part of the City the finest residences are
 being built and no protection except one
 hook and ladder The hose carriage in the
 possession of said hook & ladder not being
 in a condition to be drawn by horses. The
 companies in the central part of town
 being to far away for immediate service
 I would also call your attention to the
 never hose carriage which was ordered to
 be repaired by a resolution of the Council
 the same is in good condition and stored
 in the second story of Millers stable at the
 rate of \$5 per month. I would suggest that
 a room be built next to hook and ladder No 1
 as a place to store the same. I would also
 call your attention to the fact that at a fire
 on the morning of Nov 5, 1883 Sims boarding house
 that upon turning water from the hydrant
 into the hose there was not pressure enough
 for some time to throw water on the roof of
 a two story residence which ^{was} on fire at the
 time would therefore ask that the water ~~be~~
 be instructed by your honorable body to have
 the necessary pressure on hand. I would also
 call the attention of the Citizens to the fact especially
 when the wind is blowing and carrying large
 Coals of fire which falls on shingle roofs to
 have a ladder on the premises at all times
 so that they can extinguish the same before
 the roof takes on fire

I congratulate our fellow citizens on the fact that while many cities and town in our state have, during the last year suffered from large and destructive conflagrations our City has been comparatively exempt, and not one fire spread beyond the building in which it originated.

Thanking you for the valuable assistance you have rendered this department during the past year.

I remain sincerely

Your Respectfully

A. Gileen

Chief of the Austin Fire Dept.

The following is the report of the City officers for the yr ending Oct 31st 1863 the reports were read and then referred to the respective Committees

Report of the City Treasurer for the yr ending Oct 31st 1863.

Balance on hand Sept 1, 1863	\$14,103.50
Received from assessor & collector of advalorem tax	\$7,164.63
" " " Licenses Tax	5,353.40
" " " Milk Fund	157.45
" " " Cemetery Fund	1,785.50
from mayor Taylor proceeds sale of six 6% bonds \$500. each	14,776.78
	<u>3.000.00</u>
	<u>\$31,878.78</u>

Credits

Paid coupons due Jan 1, 1863 on 10% bonds	\$175.00
" " July 1, " " ,	\$4,345.00
" " " 6% ,	<u>\$80.00</u>
Paid non interest warrants	\$3,844.19
" " "	8,338.40
" " "	<u>\$48,361</u>
" 6% interest "	5.00
" 98. 10% Bonds No 107 to 179 inclusive	\$1,000.00
and June 1, 1863	
Balance Back debt fund	\$54,00
Market "	1,007.65
Hospital "	5,078.89
General "	8,636.11
Back debt account	<u>100.00</u>
J. W. Gileen	
City Treasurer	
	\$15,999.84
	<u>\$31,878.78</u>

Report of the City assessor and Collector for the
Quarterm ending Oct 31 1883.

Collected for public schools
 To income from school Tax of 1883 \$983.90
 " " " 1882 \$1,163.00
 " " " 1883 \$5.50 \$1,165.60
 By Treasurers receipt Nos. 951 to 950 inclusive \$1,165.60
 Respectfully submitted
 Fred Sterzing
 City ass'ty Col.

Report of the City assessor and Collector for
the Quarter ending Oct 31st 1883

To Income from ad Valorem Tax for 1883. \$6,161.93
 " " " 1882 \$779.40
 " " " 1881 \$8.35
 " " " 1880 \$1,192.00
 " " " 1879 \$84.26
 " " " 1878 \$5.00
 " " " 1877 \$6.50
 To income from Licenses \$5,353.40
 " " Market House \$1,51.45
 " " Cemetery \$71.00
 " " Mayors Court \$1,508.75
 " " Ground rents \$15.00
 " " Miscellaneous \$65.05 \$14,716.78
 By Treasurers receipt Nos. 917 to 977 inclusive \$14,716.78
 Respectfully submitted
 Fred Sterzing
 City ass'ty Collector

Report of the City Clerk for the Quarterm ending Oct 31 1883.
 Warrants issued for Fire Department ^{Miscellaneous \$30.00} \$953.00

"	Streets and bridges	804.50
"	Cemetery	388.69
"	Market House	386.12
"	Hospital	336.70
"	Printing stationery Postage	310.68
"	Salaries and Commissions	346.297
"	Police	1,989.00
"	Funding City Prisoners	449.70
"	Sanitary	317.65
"	Interest	21.40
"	Pauper accounts	5.00 Total <u>\$9,788.91</u>

Respectfully submitted
 O L Purcell City Clerk

The report of the City Marshal for the Month of Oct 1883 show 136 arrests. amount of fines collected in cash \$437.25 fines worked out \$148⁷⁵ amount collected from rent on vegetable stands \$18²⁵

Referred to the Police Committee

The report of the City sexton for Oct 1883 shows total deaths 38 white 24 colored 14 male 23 female 15. Referred to the Cemetery Committee.

The report of the City Treasurer was received read and referred to the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee introduced an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$357^{.96} to pay approved accounts to that amount. The ordinance was read second and third times under suspension of the rules and passed by the following Vote. Yes Kinney Lawrence Schubert Maas. No Plath Wilson

The street committee submitted the following report which was adopted and the amended Gas ordinance was referred to the ordinance Committee

Leon W A Taylor President of the City Council
The undersigned Committee beg leave to report that we have had with Mr Von Steinberg representing the Capital Gas Light Company that the northward extension of the gas mains on Congress avenue shall be from the corner of Colorado and Bisquite streets west to Lavaca Street three north to magnolia avenue three west Guadalupe street three north to the university grounds and we therefore recommend that the amended gas ordinance which was reconsidered at the last meeting of the Council be changed accordingly and passed

R. Plath.

H. B Kinney
Street Committee

Alderman Kinney called up an ordinance offered by the ordinance committee as a

substitute for an ordinance referred to them authorizing the issue of \$15,000. 6% interest bearing bonds.

Alderman Kinney then moved to lay the substitute ordinance on the table motion carried

Alderman Kinney called up his original bond ordinance authorizing the mayor to issue \$15,000. 6% interest bearing bonds Alderman Kinney then offered another bond ordinance (as a substitute for the bond ordinance called up,) authorizing the mayor to offer for sale in this City and New York bonds to of the City of Austin of the denomination of \$500. each to the amount of \$15,000 said bonds not to be sold at less than par value

Section 1^a provides that the bonds shall be payable twenty years from Jan 1, 1884 and shall bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum but are subject to be called in and paid at the end of ten years at the option of the City.

Section 2^b The bonds shall be sold for United States currency or 6 per cent interest warrants of the City of Austin, without expense to the City. The bonds are issued for the purpose of paying off the 6 per cent warrants outstanding against the City \$7000. shall be set aside for the building of market houses and \$1000. for the purpose of enclosing and furnishing the City and County Hospital after the City Treasurer has set aside the sinking fund. the balance of the money received from the sale of the bonds shall be placed to the credit of the general fund.

Motion to adopt the substitute was carried by the following vote yes Alderman Kinney Lawrence Schubir. Mans and Wilson Nays Alderman Blach

The ordinance was read second time and passed by the following vote yes Alderman Kinney Lawrence Schubir Mans and Wilson Nays Alderman Blach

Alderman Lawrence called up a resolution authorizing the mayor to purchase 20 acres

from Mr Riley for cemetery purposes the resolution was read third time alderman Platt offered an amendment providing that the net proceeds shall not exceed \$1,400. per acre the amendment was lost.

The resolution passed by the following vote
yeas aldermen Kinney Lawrence Maas Sneed
and Wilson nays aldermen Schubert and Platt

Alderman Maas called up an ordinance appropriating \$750. for the purpose of extending the gurus at the lower park of the avenue and one thousand dollars for street improvements in the City.

The ordinance was read second and third times under suspension of the rule and passed by the following vote yeas Kinney Lawrence Schubert Maas Sneed Platt and Wilson

Alderman Kinney called up an ordinance amending the stock ordinance passed March 10th 1883. The ordinance was read second time alderman Platt moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the penal clause motion to amend lost. The ordinance was read third time under suspension of the rules and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sneed offered an ordinance authorizing the mayor to order an election on the 3rd day of Dec 1883 of the tax payers of the City of Austin for the purpose of voting for or against the levying of a special additional tax of 1/3 mill on the dollar upon the assessed value of property in the City of Austin to aid in the establishing and maintaining therefore schools in the City of Austin.

The ordinance was read second and third time under suspension of the rules and passed unanimously.

An ordinance granting to M. D Mathen and his associates the right to construct a system of electric lights in the city was read first time and then referred to the street committee.

Alderman Kenney offered an ordinance providing for the erection of a market house on south half of Block 59 and providing for the erection of other markets in different part of the City

The ordinance was read second and third times under suspension of the rules and passed by the following vote yr. aldermen Kinney Schubert and Maas Blatt & Wilson
Nay alderman Lawrence

His honor the Mayor appointed alderman Maas Chairman of the Fire Committee and a member of the market Charity and Finance Committee

On recommendation of alderman Metz Robert Elliott was confirmed as a special Police officer of the City

Alderman Maas offered an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$750. for the purpose of building an addition to the engine and truck house on Bois D. arc stnt

The ordinance was amended by striking out \$750 and inserting \$600. The ordinance was read second and third time under suspension of the rules and passed by the following vote yr. Kinney Lawrence Schubert Maas and Blatt and Wilson

Alderman Blatt called up an ordinance prohibiting the digging up. Breaking or removing of dirt and gravel from the streets and other public places without first obtaining a permit so to do. from the proper officers

Alderman Kinney offered the following amendment which was adopted.

Amend by inserting in ~~Section~~^{line} three the word ~~here~~ ~~for~~. Between the words have and dug in the 4 line and in the 8 line substitute for the word become the following to wit: has now become or shall hereafter become. The ordinance was read third time under suspension of the rules and passed unanimously

The following letter was received from the City attorney which was ordered filed

To the Honorable City Council
Gentlemen

I have to report in reference to the matter referred to me, as to whether the City is legally liable to J A Carroll for the breaking of the leg of his mule in a defective bridge. That the City is not legally responsible for the injuries sustained by persons and animals, by reason of defects in the highways of said City as long as she has absolute control and management of said highways by virtue of her Charter.

Pearce vs Travasota 46. Texas

Very Respectfully

R S Walton

City attorney

Alderman Kinney offered the following Resolution which was adopted

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

That whereas the new water contract was intended to embrace all of the provisions of the old contract and whereas it has been discovered that under the new contract the City is denied the privilege of using the water for sprinkling the streets and whereas it was in all probability an oversight in leaving this portion of the old contract out of the new now be it resolved that the mayor be instructed to confer with Capt Mathen President of the water Company and make an agreement with him granting the City the privilege of using the water for sprinkling purposes free of cost or at a nominal sum.

Alderman Kinney offered the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin

That the mayor and chairman of the finance committee are hereby

regarded to bring to the next ^{regular} meeting of the City Council all bonds of the City of Austin in their possession or under their control which have been redeemed and that the Chairman of the Finance be authorized and directed to present the proper court warrants deposited by him at Brummond bank to the City Treasurer for cancellation and the City Treasurer is hereby directed to include said cancelled warrants in his next report as cancelled by authority of the City Council

On motion of alderman Pleasant all fines entered against aldermen for nonattendance at former Council meetings was remitted

On Motion the Council adjourned

Read and approved
Nov 19 1883.

Thomas R. Penney
City Clerk