A Regular Meeting of the City Council

Austin, Tex., Oct. 13, 1886.

Hon. J.W. Robertson, mayor, presiding.


Alderman Walker moved a Call of the Council. Adopted.

Alderman Jones moved to excuse Alderman Adams. Carried.

Mayor Robertson said before the Council a call for aid for the relief of Salina Falls sufferers which he had received. On motion, the Call was suspended.

Alderman Schneider presented a petition from Dowell & Hardy, attorneys for Wm. Jones, for permission to extend the track of the J.H.N. railroad that is now on the old courthouse square, across Guadalupe street into improvements which will be erected on lot 1, block 27. Referred to Committee on Streets, Alleys, etc.

Alderman Wartham introduced a petition from citizens owning property on West College Avenue, protesting against widening sidewalks on that avenue. Read and laid over.

Alderman Jones presented a petition from Tom Smith, requesting permission to erect public scales on Thames Street between Pine and Cedar Streets. On motion the petition was granted, and referred to the Committee on Streets, Alleys, etc., to superintend the placing of the scales.

Alderman Weilmer came in.

Alderman Ervin offered a petition from the Citizens of the Seventh Ward, asking that a water trough be placed on College Avenue at or near the store of C.W. Richer. Petition granted.
Alderman Schneider, for the Committee on police, announced that the City Marshal's report for the month of August had been examined and found to be correct. No action was had on the report.

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred a petition from acting City Attorney, Concerning in the City Recorder, requesting that certain volumes of the Texas Court of Appeals Reports be purchased for use in Recorder's Court, reported recommending that the purchase be made. No action was had on the report.

Hon. Cummings Alderman Cummings Came in.

Resolution: A resolution to refund money to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth wards, that was expended by the City Engineer, and Committee on Streets, Alleys, etc., on Congress Avenue out of the appropriations made to work streets in said wards, was taken up. On its second reading and read, and on motion, tabled by a vote of 8 to 7.

W. Cuyler, Alderman Cuyler introduced an Ordinance fixing the width of sidewalks on sidewalks West College Avenue. It was taken up on its second reading, and read and on motion, was tabled by a vote of 10 to 3. A motion made by Alderman Delene, and seconded, to amend by substituting 12 instead of 10 feet, not being put to the Council.

Red River St. Alderman Walker introduced an Ordinance locating Red River Street. Read first time.

Red River St. Alderman Walker introduced an Ordinance appropriating $56.50 for the purpose of painting the roof of the market house and adjoining sheds. Read first time.

Alderman Brush introduced an Ordinance providing for the removal of gallery and burning parts standing within eighteen inches of fire hydrants. Read and referred to Committee on Streets, Alleys, etc.

Alderman Brush presented an Ordinance prohibiting the use of hanging signs, and
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to provide for the removal of the same. Read and
referred to Committee on Streets, alleys, etc.

Alderman Pillow offered an Ordinance amending
Article 127 of the Penal Code of the City of Austin,
which relates to cattle, hogs, etc. running at large
in the City. Read and referred to Committee on Streets,
alleys, etc.

John Ruggles

Alderman Campbell presented a resolution directing
that Messrs. C. D. Johns and Gardner Ruggles are
be presented with six copies of the Revised
Civil and Criminal Ordinances, in pamphlet form,
as a slight token of appreciation of the Council
of the manner in which the work and revision
was performed. Adopted.

Alderman Walker introduced an Ordinance
authorizing the Assessor and Collector to
take credit for the ad valorem and School
taxes, on the improvements on the north
one half of lots 5, 6, and 7 in block 44;
outlet), division 9, for the year 1886. Read first time.

Alderman Walker introduced an Ordinance appropriating
the sum of $5160 to pay officers and regular employees
of the City and County Hospital, each for the
month of October, 1886, also an Ordinance
appropriating the sum of $795.36 for the purpose
of paying approved Claims, both of which were
read first time.

Mayor Robertson laid before the Council his
reasons for approving the Ordinance to lend
the City for the purpose of providing a system
of water works, sewers, etc.

Alderman Caldwell presented an Ordinance amending
Section 3 of an Ordinance entitled, an
Ordinance Ordering the City Water Company
to extend water mains and locate hydrants
thereon, approved March 16, 1886. Read first time.

Motions were made to suspend the rules
and place the Ordinance appropriating $3160 to
pay the Officers and regular employees of the City
and City and County Hospital, each, for the
The month of October, 1886, on its second and third
readings, and that the Ordinance now pass, all
of which were adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Alderman Brush, Caldwell, Campbell,
Cummings, Ervin, Giesen, Holman, Jones,
Pilcrow, Schuler, Walker, Warren, Wellner,
Wortham. Total, 14.

Motions were made to suspend the rules
approved acts and place the Ordinance appropriating $795.36
passed to pay approved accounts, on its second and
third readings, and that it now pass all of which
were adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Alderman
Brush, Caldwell, Campbell, Cummings, Ervin,
Giesen, Holman, Jones, Pilcrow, Schuler,
Walker, Warren, Wellner, and
Wortham. Total, 15.

On motion, Alderman Pilcrow was
released.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

Milton Morris
City Clerk.