

Regular Meeting of City Council
Austin, Tex. Aug. 14th 1879.

Mayor De Guss presiding.

Roll called; present, Aldermen Brown, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven and Strong.

Quorum present.

Alderman Crooker moved a call of the council. The call being sustained by three, the marshall was dispatched for the absentees.

The minutes of the meetings of July 7-10, and 21 were read and approved.

Aldermen Sheehan and Thurgan appeared and answered to their names and, on motion, the call was suspended.

Petition of J. J. Keavitt, asking one-half of his ad valorem taxes for 1877, on certain property purchased by him from Mr. McDonald, be remitted. On motion, the petition was laid on the table.

Petition of R. J. Campbell for correction of erroneous assessment of taxes for 1876 was granted.

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to make a quit claim deed to the south-half of lot 5 and one-sixth of lot (6) Six, in block 173). Seventy-three, without payment, the same to be countersigned by the collector.

Resolution read first, second and third times and passed under a suspension of the rules, two-thirds of a full council voting in the affirmative.

Petition of citizens for a stock trough on West Pecan street. Referred to street committee.

Reports of city marshall, assessor and collector, treasurer and city sexton & city physician received and ordered filed.

Report of G. Brown, as follows:

In reference to the communication of J. H. Raymond concerning the change of his west line of fence to the east line of the street running north and south will necessitate a little grading near the south end, or where it connects with Pecan

street which is recommended to be done.

Signed - G. Crow.

Report adopted.

Alderman Crow moved that the city Marshall be instructed to open the street named in the petition and place the same in a passable condition. Carried.

On Motion the city Marshall was instructed to ~~for~~ inform H. Bertram, Esq that a certain causeway in the seventh ward built by him, and guaranteed for five years, was out of repair, and to request him to repair the same.

Alderman Platt, for the ordinance committee, offered the following report:

To the Mayor and Board of Alderman:

Your committee, to whom was referred an ordinance providing for the management and protection of the rights and property of city water company, would beg leave to report that it do not pass for the following reasons: We are of the opinion that the ordinances now in force affords them ample protection.

(Signed.)

R. Platt
N. B. Metz
H. W. Strong

On Motion, the report was adopted.

Account of Austin Hook and Ladder Company for \$171.53 for hauling truck to fires, repairs, etc. together with a resolution making an appropriation for said amount.

Resolution read first time and on motion the rules were suspended to place the same upon its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas. Aldermen Crow, Booker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Laughlin.

Nays. None.

Resolution read second time and on motion the rules were further suspended to place the resolution on its third reading by the following vote:

Yeas. Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.
Nays. None.

Resolution read third time and on motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas. — Alderman Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.
Nays — None.

Alderman Crooker introduced the following resolution:

Resolved. That the sum of (\$400.00) Four hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to rebuild truck house for Protection Hook and Ladder Company No 3.

Resolution read first time and, on motion of Alderman Crooker, the rules were suspended and the resolution placed on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas. — Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Nays — None.

Resolution read second time and, on motion, the rules were further suspended and the resolution placed upon its third reading by the following vote:

Yeas — Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Nays — None.

Resolution read third time and, on motion, passed by the following vote:

Yeas — Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Nays — None.

Petition of S. Sanford to retain his wood-yard at its present location together with the report of the board of fire commissioners, recommending that the same be not granted.

On motion, the report was adopted

and the petition laid upon the table.

On motion, Alderman Crow was excused from further attendance at this meeting.

Account of J. J. Campbell for \$36.⁰⁰ thirty six dollars for extra work performed by him in the removal, to the market house, of the city clock, and tower.

On motion, the account was referred to a special committee consisting of Aldermen Millett, Platt, and Sheehan.

By Alderman Strong - the following resolution which was adopted:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, That a stock-water trough be established and maintained at some point to be selected by the Fire Committee, north of Walnut street, in the seventh ward, and the mayor is hereby authorized to enter into contract with the City Water Company for said stock water trough.

That the fire hydrant located on East Avenue, near Blind Asylum, be transferred to some point in block 55, division B, and changed into a stock water trough, and the fire committee is hereby charged with superintending the removal of the same.

An ordinance amending an ordinance entitled. "An ordinance for the relief of persons whose property has been sold for taxes and bid in to the city." Read first, second and third times and passed under a suspension of the rules, two-thirds of a full council voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Gillett was granted permission to put up a waste trough at Mr. Monroe Miller's livery stable, in the alley between Congress Avenue and Pragos street.

On motion of Alderman Platt, the council adjourned.

Approved Sept. 1 1874

L. M. Bradley,
City Clerk.