

Regular Meeting of City Council
 Austin Texas April 17, 1879.
 Mayor De Gress presiding. Roll Called.
 Present Aldermen Larom, Decker, Miller,
 Staller, Platt, Sheehan, Strong, & Vaughan.
 Excused Alderman Kameel. Quorum present.
 The minutes of the meetings of February 19th & 20th
 and March 3rd and March 13th and 24th were read
 and approved.
 Proposition of De Leorborn & McKimsey to sell
 to the City for cemetery purposes 17 1/2 acres of
 land adjoining the City Cemetery.
 Referred to the Cemetery Committee.
 Petitions of John Brady for retail liquor li-
 -cense for one month. Granted.
 Petitions of Charles Johnson for retail liquor
 license. Granted.
 Petition of H. E. Sukatz for the refunding of
 \$3⁰⁰ ad valorem tax improperly paid on lot
 32 Block 36, Division D. for the year 1878.
 Granted.
 Petition of Rudolph Arneck and others to
 have a street lamp erected at the German
 Methodist Episcopal Church.
 Alderman Millet moved that the petition
 be granted and that a street lamp be erected
 at each church in the City of Austin where
 none now exist. Motion Carried.
 Petition of G. H. Erwin to establish a stand
 water pipe on West Pecan Street near
 Cook's corner for the purpose of obtaining
 water for street sprinkling.
 Referred to street Committee with the
 request that they report at the next meeting.
 Petition of Jones and Glass for a lease of the
 "Kinn Back Mills" property fronting on the
 Colorado River, for the term of ninety nine
 years.
 Petition granted and the Mayor authorized
 to draw up a contract in accordance with
 the terms of the petitioners and to present
 the same at the next meeting of the Council.
 Petition of J. M. Lawrence and others for a
 street fountain in the third ward.

Referred to a special Committee consisting of Aldermen Crow, Strong and Sheehan. Petition of J. Sanford to obtain his wood yard at its present location on Congress Avenue. Petition received.

Alderman Crocker moved to reconsider the vote of March 22nd 1899 by which a similar petition had been refused.

Motion carried two thirds of a full Council voting in the affirmative.

Reports of City Sexton, City Marshal, City Physician and passed report of the City Marshal read and orders filed.

Account of B. Macchler for \$7.⁵⁰ for six perches of rock together with the report of the Street Committee recommending that the same be allowed.

Report of Committee received and adopted.

Resolution appropriating \$7.⁵⁰ to pay B. Macchler for six perches of rock used by the City and belonging to said B. Macchler.

Resolution read first time and on motion the rules were suspended and the resolution placed on its second reading by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crocker, Millett, Stalle, Platt, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

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

Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crocker, Millett, Stalle, Platt, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Resolution read third time and passed by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crocker, Millett, Stalle, Platt, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

By Alderman Millett.

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Committee on Fire Department to contract with the City Water Company for ten hydrants. Read first time.

Alderman Strong moved to pass over the further consideration of the C. Finance until the

next meeting of the Council. Motion lost.
 Motion was then made to suspend the rules to
 place the ordinance on its second reading.

Motion lost two thirds of a full council but
 voting in the affirmative.

Report of Cemetery Committee on a resolution
 to supply the City Cemetery with water as follows:
 Hon. J. W. De Graaf, Mayor:

Your Cemetery Committee, to whom was referred
 the resolution of Alderman Rowan, in regard
 to furnishing the cemetery with water, report
 the same back to the Council with the recom-
 mendation that it do not pass, as it would
 require a considerable amount of money to
 carry out the resolution, which in the opinion
 of the Committee, the City is not able to pay at
 present.

L. M. Crocker

J. Sheehan

Report received and adopted.

Proposition of B. Padkey to build a sewer.

Referred to a special committee, consisting of
 Aldermen Vaughan, Crocker & Hall with
 instructions to report at the next meeting.

Resolution by Alderman Platt. "If it resolved
 by the City Council of the City of Austin:

"That an ordinance regulating the storage of
 hay fodder straw shucks and other long forage
 passed February the 3d 1879 and not having
 been returned to the City Council within the
 time prescribed by law therefor it be declared
 one of the ordinances of the city"

Resolution read.

The Mayor stated that the sessions of the City
 Council not being continuous, the veto of
 any ordinance or resolution could either be
 presented at a special or regular meeting and
 that he had notified the City Clerk within
 the time prescribed by law that he had
 vetoed the said ordinance; that he did not
 deem it necessary nor a matter of economy to
 call a special meeting of the City Council and
 to expend \$20 for this special purpose.

The resolution was therefore ruled out of order.

Resolution to present Maj. J. M. Robertson with a copy of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Austin as a compensation to him for extra time and service rendered during the time he was compiling the City Ordinances.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

An Ordinance authorizing the grading, improving and keeping in repair certain streets.

Read first, second and third times and passed under a suspension of the rules two thirds of a full Council voting in the affirmative
By Alderman Millett.

An Ordinance appropriating \$700.⁰⁰ to build a stone bridge over Walker Creek on Mesquit Street. Read first time.

Resolution as follows.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to tender in behalf of the City of Austin, a welcome to the Saengerfest Association.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

Communication from Walter Lips for Committee of arrangements on Saengerfest requesting the appointment of Bernard Wilhelm, Fred. Beck, Jules Barnefeld, S. V. Dooley, Jeff Irwin, W. Leattles, Rob. Shelley, Charles Spuschke, Jr as special policemen during the Saengerfest.

An motion of Alderman Vaughan the gentlemen recommended were unanimously confirmed by the Council.

Next hour the Mayor nominated Thos. P. Johnson for the position of policeman vice James Sims.

Aldermen Brown and Platt were appointed tellers.

The ballot being taken the following was announced as the result.

For confirmation 4. Against Confirmation 4.

Then being a tie vote the Mayor cash his vote for confirmation.

Resolution by Alderman Strong.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin.

That the City Engineer be requested to make a survey and estimate as to the feasibility and cost of opening up and grading College Avenue from the first hill or knoll on said Avenue East of Old River Street to the Capital Building.

Resolution adopted.

Petition of A. Van Satten for permission to retain his lumber yard at its present location within the fire limits. Approved second time, two thirds of a full Council voting in the affirmative.

There being no further business on motion the Council adjourned.

Approved
May 7, 1879

L. M. Bradley,
City Clerk.