Galveston City Council Meeting, Nov 23, 1871

Mayor D. J. Evans presiding.
Petitions of C. McLean and P. L. Rogers for license to retail alcoholic liquors granted.

The following communication from the Hon. Geo. W. Osborn, was presented and read:

"To the Hon. Board of Aldermen
City of Galveston

Gentlemen:

I desire to bring to your attention the unsafety of life in this City, caused by the carrying of deadly weapons by a large number of people, more from want of a desire to do injury, but which should be stopped at all hazards. The promiscuous firing of guns and pistols, which occurs almost every night, to the annoyance and danger of people, requires extraordinary measures to bring the offenders to justice.

In view of this state of things, I would respectfully recommend that the Mayor be authorized to offer a reward for the apprehension of those persons, or for such information as will lead to their arrest and punishment; these rewards could be paid out of the fines imposed on such persons, where such fines are collected, and in cases where persons work out their fines on the streets, the rewards should be paid out of the remainder.

I have called in the commissioners of all Special Police officers, especially those who have shown themselves able men, and who have succeeded in enforcing the laws.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) Geo. W. Osborn
Mayor."
Communications received and the City Attorney requested to draw up an Ordinance in conformity with the Mayor's recommendations.

Communication from the City of Blanaks & Cos. asking for and in establishing a Boot & Shoe factory in this City, was read and received, and an invitation extended to the gentleman to come to the City upon the same terms as other citizens.

Communication from a Committee of Citizens, requesting that delegates be elected to attend a Convention for the promotion of American Commerce, to be held at Chicago, Nov. 12, 1879. Read and passed.

Resolution appropriating $200.00 for paying the freight on a Book of Daddel Smith.

Resolution appropriating $67.50 for the purchase of blankets for the prisoners in the Calabinas.

An Ordinance regulating Hotels and Boarding-houses.

An Ordinance prohibiting the discharge of firearms within the corporate limits of the City of Mexicans.

An ordnance the Council's adjournment untill 11 o'clock A. M. on Monday.

Approved Dec. 2, 1879.

City Clerk. L. W. Bradley.
Adjourned Sept. 16, 1879.

Council and Councilmen having been present, Mayor De Greee, presidente; Alderman Croes, Willet, Hall, Gallee, Hall, Reader, Sheehan, Strong and Allenham.

On motion presented, for the purpose of putting the discharge of fire engines within the corporate limits of the City of Thebes and read second time and on motion the rules were suspended and the Ordinance placed upon its third reading by the following vote: Hean Aldomen Croes, Willett, Hall, Gallee, Hall, Reader, Sheehan, Strong and Allenham.

Read third time and on motion passed by the following vote: Hean Aldomen Croes, Willett, Hall, Gallee, Hall, Reader, Sheehan, Strong and Allenham.

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Resolutions appropriating fifty thousand dollars for the purchase of rabbits for the purpose in the City of Thebes and read second time and on motion the rules were suspended and the resolution placed upon its third reading by the following vote: One Aldomen Croes, Willett, Hall, Gallee, Hall, Reader, Sheehan, Strong and Allenham.
Wasf in a minute urges as in motion proposed by the following vote: Eneas Alderman Baker, Billette, Kelle, Done, Hall, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Read first time and on motion the rules were suspended and the Ordinance placed on its second reading by the following vote: Eneas, Alderman keeper, Billette, Kelle, Hall, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Reed, Alderman Plate.

Read second time and on motion the rules were further suspended and the Ordinance placed on its third reading by the following vote: Eneas, Alderman keeper, Billette, Kelle, Hall, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Reed, Alderman Plate.

Read third time and on motion passed by the following vote: Eneas, Alderman keeper, Billette, Kelle, Hall, Raven, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan.

Reed, Alderman Plate.

On motion Alderman Kelle, Baker and Billette were suspended for non-attendance at the meeting of the Common on last night.

The Mayor stated that on his second visit.
to San Antonio he has interferred. Capt. Cole
and obtained from him the following document.
Copy of a copy of a copy of a copy of
resolutions passed by the City Council of the
City of Austin, Texas, on the 13th day of May,
1876, relative to the Barracks, situated on the
reservation of the U.S. Government in this City,
and asking for an appropriation by Congress
of $10,000. for the purpose of pulling the Barracks
in good repairs.

1st Endorsement
The Barracks at Austin are upon land ceded
to the U.S.; they are, except the officers quarters,
merely temporary structures, without ceilings and
roughly floored, in a dilapidated condition on
account of their being unoccupied and from the
requisition of troops. In case the Department
Commander was called on to move troops to the
frontier, these Barracks would be useful as a
place when R.R. communications end and going
West towards Concho, teaming begins, and I recommend that they be placed in good
condition.
Estimates to repair them, are herewith forwarded.

(Sgd) E.O. C. Corp
Brig. General
Commanding

2nd Endorsement.
Chief Quartermaster: Get full estimate from
the Asst. Ins. Agents at the Barracks, and make
them a new plan, putting in new flooring, window
frames, etc., also to all windows and doors,
strong doors with locks, etc., and ceiling with
plaster the main quarters; as soon as done, have
all ready for immediate use.

(Sgd) E.O. C. O.

3rd Endorsement.
Headquarters Department of Texas
San Antonio, Texas, May 18, 1876.
Respectfully referred to the Chief Quartermaster:
regarding attention to the endorsements of the
Commanding General.

(By command) (Brig. General C.O.)
(Sgd) Thomas Jr. Vincent (C.S. C.O.)
The document was received and on motion of Alderman Haile, the Mayor was authorized to appoint a special committee of three Aldermen and two citizens to act in concert with the Mayor for the purpose of consulting with the Representative in Congress from this District relative to the matter.

The Mayor appointed Aldermen Haile, Bullett and Vaughan, and Messrs. W. R. Bowell and T. G. Searcy to said committee.

On motion the Council adjourned.

Approved: L. W. Ireland.

Dec. 26, 1878