Regular Meeting of City Council
January 7, 1878

Council called to order at 9:45. P. M.
Mayor Delores in the chair.

Roll called and the following members answered:

Aldermen Brown, Keller, Harkley, Plate, Skahan and Strong
The following Aldermen present: Killett, Kozy and Hall.

The Journal of the last two meetings were read and approved.

Petitions of B. F. Flink, H. V. Phillips, A. N. Helling and 51 other citizens calling that the ordinances passed December 7 declaring the 10th street house during certain hours be removed.

Alderman Platt moved that the petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Welfare.

Alderman Keller moved to refer the petition to a special Committee of three.

Alderman Platt, Keller and Harkley were appointed on the Committee.

Aldermen Hull and Killett came in answer and took their seats.

Petitions of Francisco Robles for license to sell liquor in quantities less than on guaranty from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

On motion of Alderman Killett this petition was received and granted.

Petition of Mr. Dennis for permission to establish a Saloon Gallery on Tstreet.

On motion of Alderman Platt this petition was received and granted.

Alderman Kozy came in answer and took his seat.

Alderman Keller moved that the petition of

Dennis Dennis for permission to establish a Saloon Gallery on Tstreet be referred to the Committee on the 4th of December last be taken from the Table.

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the Motion Carried by the following Vote:

On Motion of Alderman Miller the petition of Louis Mears was granted.

Petitions of Citizens of Harris, 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, and 10 asking that additional Street Lamps be erected in said hands.

On Motion the petitions were received and referred to Committee on Streets.

Report of City Marshal for the Month of December 1877 was presented and read.

On Motion the report was received.

Report of City Physician for the Month of December 1877 was presented and read.

On Motion the report was received.

Report of City Engineer for the Month of December 1877 was presented and read.

On Motion the report was received.

By Ordinance Committee an Ordinance giving the Police Officer and Collector of Taxes the City of Dallas, power for the apportionment of the Public Beheard for the year 1877, was read. It having been declared unconstitutional, the Ordinance was read the first time.

Alderman Plato moved to suspend the rule and put the Ordinance on its second reading.

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the Motion to suspend the rule by the following vote:

Yea: Alderman Louis Miller, Addie A. Nall, Plato, Shuhaim and Stone.

Nay: None.

The Ordinance was read the second time and Alderman Stone moved to further suspend the rule and put the Ordinance on its third reading.

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the Motion to further suspend the rule carried by the following vote:

Yea: Alderman, Louis Miller, Addie A. Nall, Plato, Shuhaim and Stone.

Nay: None.

The Ordinance was read the third time.

Alderman Addie A. Nall moved that the Ordinance be passed.

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the Ordinance passed by the following vote:

Yea: Alderman Louis Miller, Addie A. Nall, Plato, Shuhaim and Stone.

Nay: None.

By Ordinance Committee an Ordinance Providing for the Redemption of Real Estate sold for Taxes and bought in by the Collector of Taxes for the City of Dallas.

The Ordinance was read first time and passed to second
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The Committee to whom was assigned the duty of selecting and receiving proposals for the Codifying and
Revising the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Auburn
have the honor to report that they have waited upon many
of the principal attorneys in the city and have adventured in
the slow and laborious task of preparing the Ordinances for bids for doing the work. That on
the 10th day of December, 1879, at 12:00 o'clock, A.M., at the City
Office, they opened and opened the bids, and after a careful
examination of the same, Your Committee hereby fully
recommend that the work be done, and that the Contract

for said work be awarded to John H. Robertson Co., the
being the lowest and best bidder.

Respectfully submitted
H. H. Kelley, Chairman
J. G. De Gree
A. Sorum

On motion of Alderman Kelley the report was
received and adopted.

Alderman Kelley moved that a committee of
three be appointed to perform the laying and grading
the Chords and Ordinances of the City of Austin and that
the contractor be allowed 15 more days to complete the
work.

Alderman Kelley moved and loom were offered
on the Committee.

Alderman Sorum submits a communication for
the Superintendent of the Important and Texas Central
Railway Co. regarding the culverts and ditches on the
line of road between East Avenue and Round Grove,which had been complained of by the City authorities.

Alderman Kelley introduced the following:
Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin
that the Communication reported from the Vice President
and Head Superintendent of the Houston and Texas Central
Railway with reference to the drainage of said road be re-
sented to the Committee on Streets and that they be a
Special Committee with authority to act with the proper
officers of the said Road for the purpose of agreeing upon
the best practicable drainage of the said drains by the
said railroad between East Avenue and the Round Grove
of said Company, and in case said Company shall fail
to make the necessary drainage, the Committee is hereby
instructed to cause the culverts between the points
named that now drain the water through the road bed
to the damage of the property lying south of said Railroad
back to be filled in.

The Ordinance Apporportioning Twenty Eight Hundred
dollars for building a Rock Bridge over the Allens creek
on Dean Street and the removal of the Iron Bridge
now Company's Allens Creek on Beech Street to the
opening of Allen's Creek on Beech Street, which
failed to pass and reading December 4th was taken up.

The Hon. the Mayor stated that the Ordinance had been
read the second time and is now open for amendments.
Alderman Brown offered the following substitute:

It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing and making safe the approaches to the bridge on Brazos Creek over Hollow Creek.

Alderman Brown moved to lay the substitute on the table. Motion died.

Alderman Kentley moved that the substitute be adopted. Carried.

On motion of Alderman Keller the substitute was referred to the Streets Committee.

The Ordinance authorizing one hundred dollars for the purchase of desks and chairs for the Council Chambers, which passed its second reading, December 7th, 1877, was taken up and read the third time.

Alderman Keller moved to lay the Ordinance on the table. Motion died.

Alderman Keller moved that the Ordinance be passed.

The Roll and Ayes and Noes ordered and the Ordinance passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Alderman Keller, Kentley, Neely, Nolan, Ashley, Brown.

Nays: Alderman Cornes, Miller, and Smith.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that from and after the first day of January, 1878, the pay of the Police Force shall be fixed at the rate of twenty-five dollars for twenty- four hours and that the Police Officer shall be entitled to any amount due from police duty.

Resolved, that Alderman Keller be a Resolution Recommending for the remission by the City of Austin the Sums of Half-dollars of police dues in payment of all due rents or instalments ofroyalty charge due or to become due the City of Austin for sale or occupation of.

On motion of Alderman Kentley the resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

This hour the Mayor stated to Council that he intended on the Bonded debt due Jan. 1st, 1878, had been forwarded to New York through the Banking House of Eugene Desmond and that the Silver Coin in the City Treasury has been taken by him as poor and that he bad paid the
City or Eight of one for and for Exchange

Alderman Miller moved that the erection of the infield
was of the City of Austin by Miller and Hall be referred
to a special Committee of three for investigation and report.
Carried

Alderman Miller Hall and Hall were appointed
on the Committee

On Motion of Alderman Ketcham the Mayor was
added to the Committee

By Alderman Miller a Resolution introducing for the
erection of Nine Streets Lamps in Ward No. 6 and
defining their location
On Motion the resolution was referred to the
Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Ketcham a Resolution introducing
for the erection Six additional Streets Lamps in Ward
No. 5 and defining their location

Alderman Plato moved to lay the Resolution
on the Table

On Motion of Alderman Ketcham the resolution
was referred to Committee on Streets

By Alderman Ketcham, it is Resolved by the city
Council of the City of Austin, That the Mayor the Mayor be
and he is hereby authorized to appoint Seven Mounted
Police men and that said Mounted Police men be required
to furnish their own animals and equipment. And be it
further Resolved, that the sum of Ten dollars in City
Money be paid each or the said Mounted Police men
for keeping and feeding of said Animals

On Motion of Alderman Hall the Resolution
was laid on the Table

The following Communication was received from
the City Water Company

Austin Texas

Dec. 15th 1871

Hon. Geo. De Gres,
Mayor of the City of Austin

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the
City Water Company have completed their Reservoir
under their Contract with the City of Austin of date
March 15th 1871, with a capacity of 20,000,000 gallons in
complete of operation, and respectfully ask you to direct
the City Engineer to measure and report upon the


I have the honor to remain
Your most obedient Servant,

No. 93.

Res. to city Hall to

At the first Copy of Contract

On motion of Alderman Miller the Communication was read.

Alderman Hale moved that the Communication be referred to a Special Committee of Five, and that the Committee be authorized to command the services of the City Engineer and Assessor of the Water Company to report at the time of their Contract, and that the Committee report as with Setting.

Carried.

Alderman Hale, Simon, Stanley, Post and

recently were appointed on the Committee.

Account of Paul Combs for Penny and Buying done on private property on 6th Street by order of the Special Committee.

Alderman Hale moved that the Special Committee approve the Account for the work done where the City Marshal had notified the parties owning the lots to have such work done and the said parties being failed to comply, that the Ordinance Committee be requested to prepare an Ordinance regulating the Penny for of Private property.

Carried.

The Gas Company presents accounts for the five weeks from the 1st of December to the 1st of January.

On motion of Alderman Hale the accounts of

The Gas Co. were referred to the Gas Committee for investigation.

The motion the Council adjourn.

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