

Ord

By Alderman Miller, An Ordinance
Fixing the salaries or compensation to be all=
owed and paid to certain officers of the City of
Austin therein named

The Ordinance was read first time
On Motion of Alderman Markley the Ordinance
was referred to a Special Committee of Five

Alderman Markley Miller Valle, Brown
and Strong were appointed on the Committee

On Motion of Alderman Metz the Council
adjourned

John T. Hubert.
City Clerk

Regular Meeting of City Council December 3rd 1894

Council called to order at 7:40 P.M.
His Honor Mayor DeBuss in the Chair

Roll called and the following Members answered
Aldermen. Brown. Brewster. Miller. Mellett. Markley. Metz
Valle. Platt. Sheehan and Strong. Absent none
Persons present

The Journal of the last Meeting was read
and approved.

Petition of B. L. Baker. S. P. Fisher of S. McGary
and other Citizens of Ward 11th asking for the appoint=
ment of J. H. LaRue as Police Officer

On Motion of Alderman Valle the petition was
received and referred to the Committee on Police

Petition of E. P. Hagler, D. S. Martin & Frank
and others. Petitioners doing business in the City Market
House, asking that the hours for closing the Market
House be changed from 8 o'clock A.M. to 9 o'clock
A.M.

On Motion of Alderman Markley the petition
was referred to the Committee to the Committee

on Market House

Petition of Jacob Fountain Edmund Gray, Bart, Banks and other Citizens of Ward No 6 stating that the public Hall in said ward is in bad condition and asking that it be repaired and cleaned out

On Motion of Alderman Crocker the petition was received and granted.

Petition of M. Geron for License to sell Liquors in quantities less than one quart in Ward No 9

On Motion of Alderman Halle the petition was received and granted

Reports-

Austin Nov 22nd 1877

To the

Hon Mayor and City Council
of the City of Austin
Gentlemen

We have the honor to submit the accompanying estimates of the City Engineer for improvements on East Pecan Street and East Cedar Street with our approval of the same, and respectfully recommend that the necessary appropriation be made

Joseph Halle
H. M. Strong

Street Committee

Estimate

Austin Nov 22nd 1877

To the

Street Committee of the
City of Austin
Gentlemen

I have the honor to submit the following approximate estimate for the construction of a Stone Arch Bridge over Hally Creek at the crossing of Pecan Street, and for the removal &c of the Stone Bridge to the crossing of Cedar Street

Stone Bridge

The Arch or Span to be 20 feet, the length 60 feet, and the height 20 feet containing about 800 perches of masonry @ \$2.50 \$2000.-

Removal of Iron Bridge reflowing and putting the same in position \$150.-

New abutments for same containing about 260 perches of masonry @ \$2.50 \$650.-

Total \$ 2800.-

C. D. Anderson

City Engineer

On Motion of Alderman McIllett the report of the Committee was received

Report of the City Engineer for the month of November¹⁸⁷⁷ was presented and read

On motion of Alderman Keastly the report was received

The report of the City Marshal for the month of November 1877 was presented and read

On Motion of Alderman Miller the report was received

The City Marshal presents the following

To Hon. the Mayor and Board of Aldermen Gentlemen

I have the honor to report, that I did on Tuesday the 24th day of November 1877 notify the following named parties owning property in Block 65 East Pecan Street to lay down curbing and side walk in front of each of their respective lots as required by Article 5-45 City Ordinances

Lot 1 Miss Ella Carter, Lot 2, 116 ft. E. Christian Lot 2, 23 ft. J. B. Forward, Lot 3 23 ft. E. Christian Lot 3, Carter 23 ft. Fred Storging Lot 4, East 23 ft. McKeule, Lot 4 Miss Ella Carter

Respectfully

E. D. Leary

City Marshal

On motion of Alderman Kalle the report of the City Marshal was received

The report of the City Physician for the month of November 1877 was presented and read

On motion of Alderman McIllett the report was received

The City Treasurer presents the following

City Treasurer Office

Austin Texas Dec 1st 1877

To the

Hon. Mayor and Board of Aldermen Gentlemen

I have the honor to report that there is now due at the City Treasury and in process of

payment Interest on City Bonds to the amount of \$450.⁰⁰ and will be due in the City of New York on the 1st of Jan'y 1884 \$45.⁰⁰ making the aggregate the sum of (\$4895.⁰⁰)

To meet this demand there is now in the Treasury \$625.⁹⁰ of this amount there are \$1332.⁰⁰ in silver turned over by my predecessor, and \$187.⁷⁵ in silver paid in by the Assessor and Collector. The principal object of this communication is to request some action by your honorable body to authorize the conversion of the silver into currency, to make it available for the payment of interest above mentioned.

It will be observed that there is at present a deficit of \$1269.¹⁰ to meet the rapidly maturing interest.

This sum will no doubt be assumed by further deposits by the Assessor and Collector, but whether a sufficient amount will be realized from that source in time to cover the sum required to be placed in New York I have no means of knowing. I therefore respectfully suggest that this subject should enlist your early attention.

Yours Obedient Servant

J. H. Howard

City Treasurer

On Motion of Alderman Miller the report of the City Treasurer was received.

On Motion of Alderman Brown the report of the City Treasurer was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Alderman Miller Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred the Ordinance fixing the salaries to be paid certain officers asked for further time to prepare their report.

On Motion of Alderman Halle the Committee was granted further time.

By Alderman Miller Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, That the Mayor be authorized to advertise for proposals for the digesting and Codifying of the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Austin.

Carried

Alderman Halle moved that the bids received for the digesting and Codifying the Charter and Ordinances of the City be submitted to the City Council for final action. Carried

By Alderman Miller I hereby move that the petition of James McCulloch, contesting the seat of Alderman L. F. Miller on the grounds of ineligibility, which was tabled at the last regular meeting

of the Council. be taken up and referred to a Committee with power to summon witnesses for and in behalf of the Contestant and Contestee and report the result of their investigation to the Council at the next regular meeting thereof

December 3rd 1844

Alderman Markley moved the adoption of the resolution

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion was lost by the following vote it requiring a vote of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the whole Council

Yeas Aldermen Miller, Markley, Hall, Platt and Sherman

Nays Aldermen Brown, Crocker, Metz and Strong
Alderman Millitt not voting

By Alderman Hall. An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Twenty Eight hundred dollars for the building and removal of Bridges

The Ordinance was read and passed to its second reading

Alderman Platt moved to suspend the rules and put the Ordinance on its second reading

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Brown, Crocker, Millitt Metz, Hall, Platt and Strong

Nays Aldermen Brown, Miller, Markley, and Sherman

By Alderman Miller. An Ordinance Regulating the opening and closing of the City Market House

The ordinance was read the first time

On Motion of Alderman Miller the Ordinance was referred to the Committee on Market House

By Alderman Miller An Ordinance Authorizing the purchase of Desks and Chairs for the Council Chamber.

The Ordinance was read

Alderman Miller moved that the Ordinance be laid on the table. Motion lost

Alderman Hall moved that the rules be suspended and put the Ordinance on its second reading

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote

Yeas. Aldermen Killett Metz Hall, Platt and Strong
Nays Aldermen. Crow. Crooker. Miller. Markley and
Shukan

By Alderman Strong An Ordinance authorizing
the printing of the proceedings of Council in the German
language

The Ordinance was read the first time oly
On motion of Alderman Miller the Ordinance was
referred to the Committee on printing

By Alderman Markley, Whereas the 5th 6th and 7th
wards have not for the past year received any benefit
or protection from the Police Force of the city

Therefore Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City
of Austin, That the Mayor, by and with the consent of
the City Council Appoint Two additional Police Officers
for duty in said wards

Alderman Crow moved to refer the resolution to
the Committee on Police. Motion lost

Alderman Crooker moved that the resolution be
adopted Motion carried

By City Attorney An Ordinance Regulating the
running at large of Animals within the City limits

The Ordinance was read and passed to second
reading

Alderman Miller moved to suspend the rules and
put the Ordinance on its second reading

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion to
suspend the rules carried by the following vote

Yeas. Aldermen Crow. Crooker. Miller. Killett
Markley. Metz. Hall. Platt Shukan and Strong
Nays None

The Ordinance was read the second time and
passed to third reading

Alderman Miller moved to further suspend the
rules and put the Ordinance on its third reading

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion
to further suspend the rules carried by the follow-
ing vote

Yeas Aldermen Crow. Crooker. Miller. Killett
Markley. Metz. Hall. Platt. Shukan and Strong
Nays None

The Ordinance was read the third time
Alderman Platt moved that the Ordinance
do pass

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the Ordinance Passed by the following vote
Yeas Aldermen Brown Crocker, Miller, Millett, Markley, Metz, Nalle, Platt, Shuckan and Strong

By Alderman Millett. Resolved that the Fire Committee be instructed to sell and dispose of to the best advantage at as early a day as practicable the Chemical Engine now out of use, and the Old Hand Engine abandoned five years since

On Motion of Alderman Crocker the resolution was adopted

Alderman Plat moved that the City Attorney be instructed to investigate the title of the Old Court House property and ascertain what interest if any the City of Austin has in said property and to report at next meeting. Carried

His Honor the Mayor presented the names of the Officers of the Police Force for Confirmation

Aldermen Brown and Metz were appointed tellers to receive and count the votes

The Officers were nominated as follows

J. H. Patterson, received 7 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 3 votes, Confirmed

Patrick Connolly, received 6 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 3 votes Confirmed

Dennis Shuckan received 9 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation None Confirmed

C. P. Hicks, received 3 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 7 votes Rejected

John F. Danacott received 10 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation None Confirmed

A. F. Otto received 3 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 4 votes Rejected

John Chanerville received 6 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 4 votes Confirmed

W. H. Wilson received 7 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 3 votes Confirmed

James Simms received 5 votes for Confirmation
Against Confirmation 5 votes, it being a tie vote His Honor cast his vote in the affirmative and the nomination was confirmed

His Honor stated that there were five more Police Officers to be confirmed and presented the names

of seven for Council to select from to wit
John Farrell, J. H. Robinson, Thos R Johnson, Thomas Smith
Jas H Farrell, W H Robinson, and Alexander Penny.

Alderman Hosty moved that in case of the number
required not being confirmed on the first ballot that the
name of the person receiving the lowest vote be dropped
Carried

On Motion of Alderman Martley, Alderman Crocker
was Excused from voting.

After receiving and counting the votes the following
was announced as the result:

John Farrell received 8 votes for Confirmation Confirmed
J. H. Robinson received 5 votes for Confirmation, it requiring
6 votes to confirm His Honor the Mayor cast his vote in the
affirmative and the nomination was confirmed

Thos R Johnson received 8 votes for Confirmation Confirmed
Thos Smith received 5 votes for Confirmation Rejected
Jas H Farrell received 6 votes for Confirmation Confirmed
W H Robinson received 4 votes for Confirmation Rejected

Alexander Penny received 5 votes for Confirmation, it re-
quiring 6 votes to confirm His Honor the Mayor cast his vote
in the affirmative and the nomination was confirmed

His Honor called attention of Council to the
bad condition of the Street leading to the Shoal
break Ford and also stated that he had been in-
formed that a portion of the Street was claimed as
private property

Alderman Miller moved that the City Attorney
be instructed to examine the title to the property
claimed and report the result of his investigation
to the City Council Carried

Alderman Miller moved that the Street
Committee be requested to call on the County Au-
thorities regarding the repairing of the approach to the
Shoal break Ford Carried

His Honor called attention of Council to the
fact that there was quite an amount of Poll Tax on the
assessments Rolls previous to the year 1844, that they could
not be collected, as the Court had declared the tax un-
constitutional. The Collector should be given authority to
drop them from the rolls and receive the proper credit, as
the amount is charged against him. Also that the City
Collector should be given authority to dispose of property
sold for taxes and bid in by him as authorized by law

and authorize him to settle such cases in the same manner as settled by Bounty Collectors

His Honor also requested that an Ordinance be prepared prohibiting the carrying of Deadly Weapons as the Ordinance now in force was not full enough

On Motion of Alderman Miller the Ordinance Com was requested to prepare the necessary Ordinance as suggested by the Mayor

By Committee on Streets An Ordinance authorizing the Appropriation of One hundred and twenty five dollars for Improving East Pecan Street

The Ordinance was read and passed to second reading

Alderman Halle moved to suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance on its second reading

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion to suspend the rules carried by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Brown, Crocker, Miller, Millitt, Mortley, Metz, Halle, Platt, Shuhaw and Strong
Nays None

The Ordinance was read the second time and passed to third reading

Alderman Halle moved to amend the Ordinance by striking out the words One hundred and twenty five dollars and inserting instead the words Three hundred and twenty five dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary

Alderman Miller moved that the amendment be laid on the table

Carried

Alderman Miller moved to further suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance on its third reading

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion to further suspend the rules carried by the following vote.

Yeas Alderman Brown, Crocker, Millitt, Miller, Mortley, Metz, Halle, Shuhaw and Strong

Nays Alderman Platt

The Ordinance was read the third time

Alderman Miller moved that the Ordinance do pass

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

Yeas Alderman Brown, Crocker, Miller, Millitt, Mortley, Metz, Halle, Shuhaw and Strong

Mays Alderman Platt

Alderman Miller moved that the Street Committee and City Engineer be instructed to ascertain the most practicable manner by which the water can be carried from Post Office Alley

On motion of Alderman Platt the motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Alderman Martley the Council adjourned

John F. Herbert
City Clerk