taken up and read the third time

On Motion of Alderman Bremond action was postponed

The Mayor nominated Orlando A. Caldwell Ferdinand A Hilbelm and Frank. Allen as Special Police Officers and asked their confirmation

On Motion of Alderman Taylor the nominations were confirmed

On Motion of Alderman Robinson the Council adjourned

approved Oct 1st 1877

John H Hebert
Asst Clerk

Regular Meeting of City Council
October 1st 1877

Council called to order at 8.15 P.M.
Mayor Dr. Gruss in the Chair

Roll called and the following members answered.

Aldermen Bremond, Cook. Deffenbaugh. James. Robinson Taylor. Hand. and Withers

Absent Aldermen Lamour and Maas

Quorum present.

The Journals of Meetings of September 19th and 24th 1877 were read and adopted

Petition of August Feiderman stating that there is a narrow strip of land belonging to the City situated three blocks East of Congress Avenue and between this property and the Colorado River said land being unoccupied and asking authority to enclose his fence so as to enclose said strip of land

On Motion of Alderman Bremond the petition was referred to the Mayor with

full power to act

Petition of John Ireland by his Agent J A Williamson stating that on the 8th day of June last the City Council passed an order to open the Alley in Block #109 which separates the property of said Ireland from that of Martin Townsend that said Alley is obstructed by a building belonging to said Townsend to the injury of said Ireland and asking that the order for opening the Alley be enforced

On Motion of Alderman Cook Action was postponed for the present

Petition of M M. Long asking authority to construct a building of lumber with tin roof adjoining the rock building known as Sis Livery Stable for the use of Hose Hook and Ladder Truck

On Motion of Alderman James the petition was granted

Petition of S M. Rosenbaum asking to be appointed a special Policeman

On Motion of Alderman Cook the petition was granted and the Mayor was authorized to make the appointment

Petition of Hon. Walker. A. Bahn and others complaining of the continuous blowing of Whistles at night at the Water works and Ice Factory to the great annoyance of the neighborhood and asking that it be forbidden.

On Motion of Alderman Brenond the petition was referred to the Ordinance Committee with instructions to prepare an ordinance regulating the same

Petition of S A. Torreguish for license for the retailing of Spirituous liquors in Ward No. 2.

On Motion of Alderman Taylor the petition was granted

Reports

The City Attorney reported that by direction of the Mayor he had prepared a lease from the City of Austin to Alfred Smith Chancy D Shepherd and D. Erwin for 100 ft of ground on River front for 25 years at a yearly rental of $100 payable quarterly in advance.

Also have drawn a contract with Paul Connelly for Guttering East Pecan in accordance with

the specifications of City Engineer, at 98 cents per square yard payable in City warrants; with bond for faithful performance of Contract.

Also a lease from City of Austin to H. G. Barrow granting exclusive right to sell Coffee at City Market House for two years from March 1st 1878 to Feby 29th 1880 at a yearly rental of $150 - payable quarterly in advance

Also in the Case of City of Austin vs Buddington he had had all the necessary papers issued for the collection of the judgement and placed the same in the hands of the Sheriff of Travis County for execution

On Motion of Alderman Taylor the report of the City Attorney was received and adopted

The City Attorney to whom was referred the petition of John Condon, Claiming the sum of $445-21/100 it being the amount lost by him on city warrants received in payment for furnishing Oil Lighting and keeping in repair the street Oil Lamps under his Contract with the City in 1876. Submitted a lengthy report citing every point in the matter and clearly showing that the City was bound under the Contract to payment in U.S. Currency and that said Condon was fully entitled to the claim presented

On Motion of Alderman Ward the report was received and adopted

Alderman Ward Moved that the Mayor Authorized and instructed to draw his Warrant on the City Treasurer for the amount claimed Carried

Alderman Brenond moved to reconsider the vote just taken to paying John Condon $445.21 Lost

Reports of City Physician and City Sexton for the Month of September 1877 was received

The City Engineer submitted a report recommending the paving of the Alley of Block 69 (Post Office Alley) Also for the construction of certain wooden bridges

On Motion of Alderman Robinson the report was received

On Motion of Alderman Robinson that portion of the City Engineers report regarding the paving of

the Alley was referred to a Special Committee
Aldermen Robinson Jones and Withers were appointed on the Committee
On Motion of Alderman Tremond that portion of the report of the Engineer relating to bridges was referred to the Committee on Streets and the City Engineer with power to act

Austin Oct 1st 1874

To the
Hon Mayor and City Council
Gentlemen

Your Committee on Streets to whom was referred the report of the City Engineer recommending that an additional force be employed at a cost of about thirty dollars per day to work on the streets in Wards Nos 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and to repairing bridges in 8th and building bridge in 7th would have the honor to report that they have carefully examined the same and would respectfully recommend that the work be not done at present for the following reasons. 1st that the appropriation for Streets and bridges for this year amounts to less than two thousand dollars, 2nd that the work paid for and bills due and work under Contract amounts to about four thousand dollars this Estimate does not include repairs that we be compelled to have done. For amounts expended reference is made to the statements attached marked "A"

J H. Robinson
M A Taylor
Street Committee

On motion of Alderman Brooks the report of the Committee was received and adopted

The Committee to whom was referred the matter for investigation of the Garnishment of the City of Austin in the case of Hatton et al vs Keasy et al was granted further time for report

On Motion of Alderman Tremond the matter of refunding Hack Licenses was referred to the Ordinance Committee in connection with the City Attorney

On Motion of Alderman Bremond the Cemetery was given full power to make such repairs to the Fence & Gates of the City Cemetery as they deem necessary

By Ordinance Committee. An Ordinance appropriating ——— dollars to dig a Well in 7th Ward

Alderman Withers moved to fill in the blanks by inserting Two hundred and fifty dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary. Carried

The Ordinance as amended was read

Alderman Bremond Moved to refer the whole matter to the next City Council

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion to refer carried by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Bremond, Cook, Johnson, Robinson and Taylor

Nays Aldermen Deffenbaugh, Ward and Withers

By Ordinance committee, An Ordinance appropriating the sum of ——— dollars to build a bridge in Ward #8

Alderman Deffenbaugh moved to fill the blank in the ordinance by inserting the words One thousand Carried

The Ordinance as amended was read

Alderman Bremond Moved that action be postponed to next administration

The Yeas and Nays ordered

Yeas Aldermen Bremond, Cook, Robinson and Taylor

Nays Aldermen Deffenbaugh, James Ward and Withers Tie Vote

The Mayor cast his vote in the affirmative and the motion to postpone carried (See minutes of Oct 5/77

By Alderman Ward, A Resolution declaring the amendments to the City Charter, adopted by a vote of the people on the first Monday in November A.D. 1875 unconstitutional and null and void

On Motion Alderman Bremond the resolution was referred to the City Attorney

By Alderman Withers, Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, That the Street Committee be authorized and directed to erect a lamp post with

with lamps on the corner of Cherry and Sabine Streets

On Motion of Alderman James, the resolution was adopted

Alderman Hard called up the ordinance establishing the pay of Police Officers which passed to third reading on the on Sept 3rd 1874

Alderman Peck states that the ordinance was read on the 3rd of September referred for action to the next administration. The record of the last meeting showed that action was postponed without day and moved that the Journals be corrected so as to conform therewith

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion was lost by the following vote, such vote requiring two thirds of Council to amend

Yeas Aldermen Brennan Peck Steffenbagh Robinson and Taylor

Nays Aldermen James. Hard and Hollins

On Motion of Alderman Brennan action on the ordinance establishing the pay of Police Officers was postponed for action of the next Administration

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest D. Schwartzel Clerk

John F. Hubbard
City Clerk