

Called Meeting of City Council
July 14th 1877

Council called to order at 3:30 P. M.
Mayor De Gress in the chair

Roll called and the following members answered

Aldermen James. Larmon, Maas and Withers

Absent Aldermen Fremont. Cook, Deffenbaugh, Robinson, Taylor and Hard, No Quorum

Alderman Withers moved a call of the Council. Call sustained and the Marshal was directed to bring in the absentees

Aldermen Taylor and Hard came in and answered. Quorum present

On motion of Alderman Maas the call of the Council was suspended

On motion of Alderman Hard the reading of the Journal of last meeting was dispensed with

Petition of Charles Martin and Henry Nave stating that they are engaged in the business of retail liquor dealers, that they followed said occupation during the year 1876 that on the 11th day of April 1876 Henry Nave, and on the 12th day of April 1876 Charles Martin paid their license tax to the City Collector for three months from Apr to July amounting each to \$62⁵⁰ that on the 16th day of April 1876 the present Constitution of the State of Texas went into force said Constitution prohibits any City or Town from charging or collecting a greater amount than one half of the amount assessed by the State for like occupations which would entitle the City to but \$25⁰⁰ from each of petitioners, and asking that they each be allowed a credit of \$25⁰⁰ on future license

Alderman Withers moved that the petition be referred to a special Committee of three

Alderman Withers Larmon and James were appointed on the Committee

Petition of Pat Kernan stating she had about 1000 yds of dirt to remove and stating that she will deposit it on any street or place for the benefit

of the City at no greater distance from Pecan St than one fourth mile for the sum of 15¢ per cubic yd.

Alderman Taylor moved that the Petition be referred to the Committee on streets with power to act. *Carried*

Alderman Taylor moved that the Ordinance Committee be requested to prepare an Ordinance regulating Hack Stands. *Carried*

Alderman James moved that the Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to employ Counsel to defend the suit now pending against him and other City Officers and testing the legality of Amendments to City Charter, which passed to its second reading be taken up and read. *Carried*

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

The City Auditor and Collector presented accounts in favor of Churchill & Duffenbaugh for \$2⁰⁰ J. H. Van Dyke for 9⁰⁰ and R. T. Boeckman for \$28²⁵ and asked the Council to take such action regarding their payment as they deemed best as 25% had been added to them on account of the depreciation of City Warrants.

On Motion of Alderman James the accounts were referred to Finance Committee with power to act.

The Mayor presented the names of Lafayette Simmons and George Washington as special policemen and asked their confirmation.

On Motion of Alderman Withers the nominations were confirmed.

The Mayor appointed Alderman Withers to fill the vacancy on the Ordinance Printing and Creating Committee and to fill the temporary vacancy on the Finance Committee caused by the absence of Alderman Brummond.

The City Attorney submitted an opinion regarding the power or authority of the City Marshal to impound and forfeit Animals found running at large.

On Motion of Alderman James the report of the City Attorney was received.

Alderman Ward moved that the report of the City Attorney be referred to a special committee of three.

Alderman Hard, Mass and Robinson were
appointed the special committee
On motion of Alderman Taylor the Council
adjourned

John F. Herbert.
City Clerk

Approved
July 21st 1874

Called Meeting of City Council
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Council called to order at 6.45 P.M. Mayor
De Gress in the Chair

Roll called and the following members
answered.

Aldermen Cook, James, Larimer, and Hard
Absent Aldermen Fremont, Duffenbaugh, Mass
Robinson Taylor and Withers. No Quorum

Alderman Hard moved a call of the Council
Call sustained and the Marshal was directed to bring
in the absentees

Aldermen Robinson Taylor and Duffenbaugh, came
in and answered. Quorum present

The Journals of meetings of July 7th and 14th was
read and approved.

Petition of John D. Delos, Don Wilson, Leander Brown
and 26 others Residents and Real Estate owners on
the East side of Congress Avenue and near the
Colorado River. Stating that they are informed
that the City government has or is about to lease
a portion of the River walk to a Company for the
purpose of establishing a Tannery, and believing that
such an establishment would be an injury to them
and their property. Respectfully request that the
ground be not leased for that purpose as it is sit-
uated in their immediate neighborhood

On motion of Alderman James the petition was read