

Regular Meeting of City Council April 2nd 1877

The Council was called to order at 8.45 P.M.
Mayor Wheeler in the chair

Roll called and the following members answered
Alderman Bromond, Cook, Duffenbaugh, Goodale, James,
Larmour, Robinson, and Root

Absent Alderman Schaller and Taylor
Quorum present

The ~~Ordinance of March 29~~ was read and
approved

Petitions & Communications

A communication from the Travis County
Medical Society on the sanitary condition of water
works

On motion of Alderman Robinson the communica-
tion was received

Alderman Taylor came in... considered, passed
and took his seat... being friends... of
J. M. Lutton, M.D. and member of the Travis
County Medical Society, being invited by invitation of
members of the City Council, read a very lengthy and
carefully prepared report on the sanitary condition of
several cities, showing the various modes of removing un-
healthy matter, explaining the patent Odorous apparatus
for emptying Privy vaults Sinks and Cesspools at any time
without offense, showing its advantages and benefits, and
presenting a clear and practical argument for the re-
vision of a proper and thorough sanitary system.

On motion of Alderman Taylor the papers pre-
sented by Dr Lutton was referred to a special Com-
mittee.

Alderman Taylor Robinson and Larmour was ap-
pointed on the Committee

J. H. Hanning and Geo Lutton a commit-
tee appointed by the Bridge Company, presented them-
selves and J. H. Hanning in behalf of the Committee
stated that the Bridge Company was desirous of having
a public fountain erected near the approach to the
bridge and that they were willing to bear entire
expenses connected with it and asked the Council
to order the erection of the fountain

On motion of Alderman Bromond the matter
was referred to the Street Committee with full power to act

Petition of J. T. Alexander stating that he had paid to the City Officer and Collector the sum of \$9.31 in excess of what the law allowed for license for pursuing his occupation and asks that said amount be refunded him

On Motion of Alderman James the petition was referred to the Committee on Finance with power to act.

Petition of Seth & Bro. Sutton & Wright, Joe. Frank and other Butchers asking that an ordinance be passed closing all Markets between the hours of 12 O'clock midnight of every Saturday and 12 O'clock mid a night of every Sunday night.

On Motion of Alderman Goodale the petition was referred to the Committee on Market House with instructions to report next Meeting.

Petition of Ernest Krohn, H. C. Subert, & P. Hoeger and other butchers in the City Market, asking that a resolution be passed by the City Council to close the City Market House at 9.30 A.M. and to remain closed for the day.

On Motion of Alderman Cook the petition was referred to the Committee on Market House.

Petition of James Kallstrom asking to be paid the sum of Twenty five dollars for damages to his Hest caused by being precipitated down the bank of the Approach to the bridge across Waller Creek.

On Motion of Alderman Cook the petition was referred to the Committee on Streets for investigation and report.

Petition of Joseph Kall & Co asking that the sum of \$44.75 which he had paid the City Officer and Collector for license which amount was in excess of what is required by law for doing business as a 4th Class Merchant, be refunded him.

On Motion of Alderman Robinson the petition was referred to the Special Committee appointed to investigate and get up on assessments (The Mayor, Baffinbaugh & James).

Petition of P. H. Best asking that he be relieved from paying the tax assessed on the improvements on his property amounting to \$4.00 as said improvements were made in the months of July & March 1876 and not subject to taxation for that year.

Alderman Root moved that the petition and

all other petitions for release of taxes be referred to the committee appointed for that purpose with full power to act.

Petition of Ch. Decker stating that he was bound to sell spirituous liquors to July 25th 1877, and that he is compelled to discontinue the business on the first day of April 1877 and asking he be only required to pay his license up to April 1st 1877

On motion of Alderman Robinson the petition was laid on the table

Petition of Julius Frytag for Authority to establish a Bath House on the Colorado River at the foot of 13th Street

On Motion of Alderman Cook the petition was granted

Petition of Charles Blake for Authority to establish a Bath House on the Colorado River at the foot of Colorado Street

On Motion of Alderman Cook the petition was referred to the Committee on Streets with power to act

Petition of J. H. Swisher asking that he be allowed a credit on his taxes for the year 1876 for certain work done and paid for by him on the streets adjoining his Ferry

On Motion of Alderman Taylor the petition was laid on the table

Petition of Charles J. Evans, asking to be allowed the sum of Twenty five dollars for services in certain cases in the District Court against the City of Austin which he incurred in defending

On Motion of Alderman Fremont the petition was granted and the Mayor authorized to draw his warrant on the City Treasurer for payment of the same

Petition of Emile Wendell asking to be paid the sum of Fifteen dollars for Boarding and nursing Mrs. Houser an old woman that was injured by being run over by a horse on the street

On Motion of Alderman Robinson the account was ordered paid and the Mayor authorized to draw his warrant on the City Treasurer for the sum of Fifteen dollars for the same

Communication from the First National Bank stating that they held City Warrants Nos 688 and 689 for \$1500 each that Warrant #688 for \$1000 and interest on both are now due, amounting in all to \$2400 and

asking that the same be paid

On Motion of Alderman Root the communication was referred to the Committee on Finance with power to act

Petition of James H^c Lullough, J H Borth, John Kirkpatrick and others asking the ordinance prohibiting License Vehicles used in the transportation of Merchandise from standing in certain places be repealed

On Motion of Alderman Woodale the petition was laid on the table

Reports

Report of the City Marshal for the month of March was presented, read, and received

Reports of City Physicians reports for the month of March 1877 and annual report for 1876 was presented and received

Report of City Sexton for the month of March was presented and received

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Hon J. B. Wheeler

Mayor

Sir

Your Committee on Market House to whom was referred the petition of J H Eldin for payment of fifteen dollars for meat destroyed by dogs at the City Market, respectfully report that they have investigated the same and recommend that Mr Eldin be paid the sum of Five dollars

J Larimer

At H Brook Jr

A Siffenbough

Committee

On Motion of Alderman Woodale the report of the Committee was received and adopted.

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Hon J. B. Wheeler

Mayor

Sir

Your Committee on Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Elmer Perry for authority to attach his patent fire alarm bell driven by the city paying him the sum of \$100⁰⁰ respectfully recommend that the petition be laid over until the city has funds to pay for same

J H Robinson

Samuel A. Jones

Committee

on motion of Alderman Cook the report was received and adopted

Alderman Taylor asked to be excused from the remainder of the session Excused

Alderman James moved that the ordinance to increase the number of fire hydrants and stock fountains and to extend the time for the building of the Reservoir be taken up and put on its second reading Carried
The ordinance was then read and passed to its third reading

Alderman Rock moved to suspend the rules to put the ordinance on its third reading

Alderman Duffenbough offered an amendment. Amendment read

Alderman Cook moved that the amendment be adopted

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion to amend was lost by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Cook and Duffenbough
Nays Alderman Bromond, Goodale, James, Larimer, Robinson and Rock

The Yeas and Nays was then called on the motion to suspend the rules and the motion was lost by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Bromond, Goodale, James, Larimer, Robinson and Rock

Nays Alderman Cook and Duffenbough

The returns of the Judges of an Election for Officers of the Fire Department was opened and the following is a true copy

The following is the result of ballot cast for Officers of the Austin Fire Department March 19th 1877

For Chief	J A Hazle	114
" 1 st Asst	J A Cunningham	2
" 2 nd Asst	L F Millett	63
" 3 rd Asst	Frank Wilhelm	88
" Recorder	Frederick Reckman	95
" 4 th Asst	J J Campbell	22

H H Orcher	For No 1	78
R R Pearson	" Washington	78
F H Kain	" Colorado	78
H H Burdett	" Hope	78
H H Meyers	" Central	78
H R Brown	" City of Austin	

Alderman Cook moved that the Returns of the Judges of the Election be received and the Mayor Authorized to issue the commissions to the officers elect
Carried

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To Honorable Mayor and City Council
Gentlemen

My business will call me from the City most of the time for the next three months and I expect to move from the City in August next and would most respectfully tender my resignation as Alderman from the 10th Ward and ask you to accept it

F O Goodale

On Motion of Alderman Cook the resignation of Alderman Goodale was received and accepted

Alderman Robinson moved that the Mayor be authorized to order an Election for Alderman in Ward No 10 to represent that ward in the City Council

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the Motion carried by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Bremond, Cook, Jeffenburgh, Goodale, James, Lammor Robinson and Rock
Nays None

By Ordinance Committee. An Ordinance Requesting Bill Printing, the changes therefor, and authorizing the Mayor and Printing Committee to have all notices issued by the City properly Printed

The Ordinance was read and passed to its second reading

Alderman Rock 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 carried by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Bremond, Cook, Jeffenburgh, Goodale, James, Lammor Robinson and Rock

Nays None

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

Alderman Rock 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 following Vote

Yeas Alderman Bremond, Cook, Jeffenburgh, Goodale

James, Larmour, Robinson and Rosh. Ayes None
 The Ordinance was read the third time and passed
 by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Bremond, Cook, Duffenbough,
 Goodale, James, Larmour, Robinson and Rosh
 Nays None

On Motion the Council adjourned

Witness my hand and seal this 12th day 1877

John F. Herbert.
 City Clerk

Called Meeting of City Council April 13th 1877

The Council was called to order at 3.40
 P.M. Mayor Herbert in the Chair.

Roll called and the following members
 answered.

Aldermen Chandler, Cook, James, Larmour,
 Robinson, Rosh and Taylor

Absent Aldermen Bremond and Duffenbough
 Quorum present

The Mayor informed the Council that he has
 called them together for the purpose of laying before them
 for their consideration a new contract for furnishing the
 City with water for fire and street sprinkling purposes
 which has been submitted by the City Water Company.

The Contract was read, and Aldermen
 moved that it be referred to a special Committee
 for examination and report. Carried

Aldermen Taylor, Robinson, Bremond and Cook
 were appointed on the Committee

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

An Account from J. J. Moore for the sum of
 thirty (30) dollars for boarding Texas Veterans during the