

on Motion of Alderman Cook the Council
adjourned

John F. Harbort
City Clerk

Called Meeting of City Council
Council Chamber August 21st 1876

Council called to order at 12.25 P.M.
J. W. Chandler President of Board of Aldermen in the Chair
Roll called and the following members answered
Aldermen, Brown, Cook, Duffin, J. J. Jones, Robinson
and Taylor. Absent Aldermen Goodale, Larnum and Burke
Quorum present

The President informed the council that he had
called them together for the purpose of informing them that
the tower of the Fire Alarm Bell was in a dangerous con-
dition and immediate action was necessary either the bell
should be removed or the tower repaired.

Whereupon Alderman Taylor introduced the following
"Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin
that the Committee on Fire Department together with
the City Engineer be instructed to inspect the old Fire
Alarm Bell tower and ascertain if it can be repaired
and if so what will be the cost of the necessary repairs.
Also to prepare an estimate of the cost of removing
the Fire Alarm Bell from its present position and place the
same on the City Court House." Carried

The following proposals for Flanking Bridges
at intersections of Congress Avenue and Pecan Street and
at intersection of Congress Avenue and Bois d'Arc Street
(3 Bridges) in compliance with a resolution passed August
9th 1876 was received and read
#1 J. W. Hall. \$648.00

2 Calvin H. Butler \$495.00 in City Warrants
 on motion of Alderman Taylor the contract was awarded to Calvin H. Butler

Alderman James presents the account of Joseph Smith for making and hanging eight window shades in Mayor's Court room an office amounting to \$40.00 which amount exceeds the appropriation \$15.00

on motion of Alderman Duffenbaugh the account was approved and ordered paid

Petition of Wate Goode. Stating that on the 15th day of May 1876, he paid to the City Assessor the sum of \$62.50 for license for the sale of spirituous liquors in quantities less than one quart from the said 15th day of May to the 15th day of August 1876. That the present State Constitution prohibits the City from levying more than one half the amount levied by the State for like occupation. That said Constitution went into effect on the 18th day of April 1876 and previous to the time of his taking out said license. And asks that the amount in excess of the legal tax be refunded.

On motion of Alderman Cook the petition was granted and the Mayor was authorized to draw his warrant on the City Treasurer in favor of Wate Goode for such amount as paid in excess of the legal tax

By Alderman Robinson. An Ordinance "prohibiting certain Licensed Vehicles from standing on Congress Avenue between Pine and Hickory Streets while such Vehicles are awaiting employment

The Ordinance was read and passed to its second reading by the following vote

Ayes Alderman Ormond, Cook, Duffenbaugh, James, Robinson Cook and Mr President. Nays None

Alderman Cook moved to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second reading.

Carried by the following vote. Ayes Alderman Ormond, Cook, Duffenbaugh, James, Robinson Taylor and Mr President

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

Alderman Robinson moved to further suspend the rules to place the ordinance on its third reading carried by the following vote

Ayes Alderman Ormond, Cook, Duffenbaugh, James, Robinson, Taylor and Mr President
 Nays None

The Ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Bromont, Cook, Saffenburg, James, Robinson and Taylor and Mr President
Nays None

By Alderman Cook. Be it resolved by the city council of the city of Austin, That the Committee on Fire Department and the Committee on Market House be authorized and empowered to contract for the removal of the Fire Alarm Bell to the City Market House, or to repair the old Bell Tower, whichever in their judgement is to the best interest of the city.

On Motion the Council adjourned

John P. Herbert
City Clerk

Called Meeting of City Council Council Chamber Aug 26th 1876

The Council was called to order at 12.30 P.M.
F. W. Wheeler President of the Board of Aldermen in the Chair

Roll called and the following members answered
Aldermen, Cook, Saffenburg, Woodale, James, Robinson and Taylor. Absents Aldermen Bromont, Larmour, and Shute

Quorum present

The President informed the Council that he had called them together for the purpose of laying before them a communication from the Chief of Fire Department relative to the purchase of Engine Horse.

The following is the communication received from the Chief of Fire Department

Austin Texas

August 26th 1876

To the

Mayor and Board of Aldermen
of the City of Austin

Yours