Called meeting of the City Council.

Austen, Feb. February 7th 1874.

His Honor J. B. Wheeler in the chair called the Council to order. the roll being called the
following named Aldermen answered to their names: T. Conner, E. T. Boardman, W. D. Conner, J. H. Robinson, A. H. Dodds, Aldert, Almer-,


This Honor the Mayor stated that the Council was called together for two reasons: First, that the


had enacted the resolution passed at the last meet-


ing, authorizing the City Marshal to take charge of the City Cemetery and that the County


the County elected, he submitted his vote which reads as follows:


Mayor Office Austin Dairy

Feb. 7th 1874.

To the Austin City Council.

Bourbon.

It is always pleasant for me to differ from a majority of the Council, I should

never do so, if I could conscientiously agree with you in approving or disapproving any resolution

or ordinance passed by you, I shall always endeavor to examine impartially the subject presented, and

to the best of my ability, and will be in a


position of the City, the


officer who acts as guardian, around is about


the best resting place of our loved ones, but the


trouble is that, and now the question before us, is


how shall we, as the representatives of the City, act, to the best of our


represent the interest of our

city as a whole.

It is to be greatly regretted that there should be any trouble about the position of City Cemetery. The


officer who acts as a guardian, around is about


the best resting place of our loved ones, but the


trouble is that, and now the question before us, is


how shall we, as the representatives of the City, act, to the best of our


represent the interest of our

city as a whole.
I apprehend that the trouble in this matter has arisen from a misapprehension of the term of Office of the Sheriff, who, as well as the members of the City Council, thought that this term of Office was fixed by the ordinances of the City, but upon an examination we find that there is nothing in the ordinances which fixes the term of Office, nor is there anything which indicates that the Office expired with the last administration. The Mayor can remove the Sheriff when said removal is approved by a majority of the whole board of Aldermen, but this must be done by an actual order of the Mayor. The other manner of effecting the removal of any city officer is by a majority of two-thirds of the whole Council voting for said removal, after due trial of the party for some misconduct in Office. These are the only means provided in the City ordinances for the removal of the Officers of the City, and either one of these methods have not been adopted in this present case. We think not, but yet that he be as it may, the Council is divided in opinion as to the correct answer to that question. One party or the other may be correct, we shall not stop here to discuss that point. The question is strictly a legal question, and as one of the contestants had sewer forer to seek relief in another tribunal, taking the matter entirely out of this body, and as we all desire it should be settled strictly in accordance with the law; that no trouble may arise in the future on this question I respectfully return to your body without my approval the resolution giving instructions to the city Marshal, and that at the regular meeting on the 24th instant, to enforce this resolution would no doubt involve the City Marshal and other Officers in an interminable law suite and thereby be injurious both to individual interests as well as damming to the public welfare. Besides, both parties seem perfectly willing to abide by the decree of the District Court and as that tribunal now has charge of the matter, and seems
must all admit is fully competent to settle the matter equitably and legally, without further trouble to the City, I would respectfully recommend that we take no further action, but accept said direction, which we hope will be rendered without any great delay.

Trusting that you may receive these objections in the feeling in which they are presented.

I remain,

Your old servant,

T. R. Wheeler

Mayor.

On motion of Ald. Buengersteff, action upon the said Appraisal was deferred until the regular meeting in March 1874.

Second that he was going to vote the Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance regulating the amount of ad valorem tax to be imposed upon real and personal property in the City of Justice and fixing as full tax for the year 1874. That he had not the Appraisal furnished but would submit it to the Council at the next meeting.

Ald. Armend, moved to reconsider the Ordinance fixing the amount of ad valorem and full tax for the year 1874. Council Street committee reported favorable upon petition of P. J. Hollis asking the right to erect in the center of the three feet width on Southside of Blossom Street an iron street report received. On motion of Ald. Armend the petition was granted with the right of the Council to remove the same at any time.

Petition of W. D. & J. E. Armstrong, asking privilege to retail liquors in quantities less than one quart was read and granted.

Street committee reported on petition from citizens of 6th Ward recommended that said public Well be erected as asked for. On motion the petition was granted with the provision that city Warrants be issued only at year for the execution of the Well.
Abel Robinson moved that the Council in ordinance No. 3 be entitled: "An Ordinance regulating the duties and preserving the fees of City-Marshal, be filled out fifty dollars," carried.

A resolution was introduced that the ordinance No. 3 be entitled: "An Ordinance regulating the renting of Market Stalls and Market Privileges for the ensuing year," be and the same is hereby amended so that in section 7, strike out "28" and insert "20". Section 6, strike out "only after market hours." On motion the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Abel Breuggerhoff the Council adjourned to Tuesday evening Feb. 10th 1874.

2nd Stepping Recorder.

City Council met pursuant to adjournment, Abel Know, J. B. Wheeler in the chair called the council to order, the roll being called, the following Councillors answered to their names to wit: J. A. Breuggerhoff, Ed. S. Ferguson, F. D. Brown, H. H. Knisley, J. A. Robinson, A. M. Bench, Abel J. Browning, H. D. Boardman, A. B. Mitchell and F. B. Todd.

Petition of J. B. Browning, praying to have delivered to him a pair of Mules that were unlawfully sold by the city authorities some time ago, & to Mr. F. B. Taylor, was read, whereupon Abel Breuggerhoff offered the following resolution:

As it pleased the City Council of the city of Austin, that Mr. F. B. Taylor be requested to deliver the Mules purchased from the City to the Marshall, and that the Mules be delivered to the owner. And the Mayor is hereby authorized to refund Mr. Taylor the amount paid for same out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

On motion of Abel Robinson the rules were suspended; the resolution read second time. On motion of Abel Robinson the rules were further suspended.
The resolution read third time, the ayes and
noes being called the resolution quashed by the
following vote: Ayes, Ald. Broege. Hoff, Col.
Christian, F. Dehne, H. N. Beth, J. H.
Robinson, H. Scholz. Nays: None.
A special committee, who had under considera-
tion an ordinance entitled "an Ordinance to
provide for the construction of water-works
in the City of Austin" Dye. Reported back
the same, and recommended that the Council
go into committee in whole on the consider-
ation of said Ordinance. Report was received.
and committee discharged.
Ald. Broege. Hoff moved to reconsider (Ordinance
No. 12) entitled an Ordinance to regulate licenses.
Finance Committee reported favorable on petition
of J. H. Kuechlinson, and recommended that the
license be granted to him for exhibitions exclusive-
lly in the so-called Opera House at three-thou-
sand dollars per annum from date, his note
to be executed with good security to be approved
by the Mayor, and to be payable quarterly in
arrears. The motion of Ald. Robinson the report
was received and petition granted.
Ald. Broege. Hoff moved that J. H. Kuechlinson
be released from all licenses here by him granted.
Those collected by him, canceled.
Ald. Broege. Hoff offered the following resolu-
tion, Ioin.
"Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of
Austin, That the City of Austin do hereby allow
the lease now in force between the City and Mr. F.
Dehne for the Market House Hall to take effect
on first day of March 1874, and that the Mayor
is hereby instructed to deliver to said F. Dehne
such Notice as the City may hold for rent due after
the first day of March 1874.
"Respectfully presented and acted upon.
This Honor is moved an adjourn on the Ordinance fixing
the ad valorem tax for the year 1874, was presented
by him and read as follows.
I consent, agree to sign the ordinance. I pledge by your body at the last regular meeting, to lay the extra corvée tax at one per cent for the year 1872. In fulfilling this course, I do not do so, with any intention of not paying your debts, of the city, or because I do not wish to see income-producing, and beautifying, or city, nor do I imagine that my judgment for financial ability is inferior to that of the Council, but simply on account of the scarcity of money, and I do not think so large an amount is necessary to defray the expenses during the current year. Besides, I would like to see the City taxes uniform.

As near as we can approximate the current expenses of this year will be about $32,000. Therefore, should reduce the tax to 34 of one per cent on Real Estate, we will have the following amounts for this year on Real Estate $35,000 at 34 of one per cent $3,800.

Licenses, occupation tax $1500.

Real Estate tax due from 1871 $3,000.

Total tax in licenses and occupation & Real Estate $32,000.

Saving in favor of the city $18,000. In this estimate, it will be perceived that no account has been taken of the fines from the Magistrates Court, the Market Stalls, the dog tax, and some other sources from which we will receive small amounts. It will also be remembered that most of our debts is funded and will not be due until 1883. There, no idea now due is likely to become due, during the year, more than $ or $ thousand dollars, and, above the correct expenses above referred to, then would leave us some $10,000 or $12,000 with which to make improvements. If we should need more than that amount, I would recommend that we sell a few more 10 or 20 year bonds, and by that course, the people who enjoy the improvements will object in paying for them. Besides, we would like to make the City uniform and it will be remember-
that at our last meeting we approved one ordinance which has been approved by the Board and is as follows:

'An ordnance was approved by the Board.

This is nothing more than right and will sure our merchants the trouble of paying 2 taxes, or of being bothered with rending quarterly reports as heretofore. All occupations are taxed, and as the merchant in addition to his occupation tax is required to pay a light occupation tax, it certainly cannot be any great cause of complaint, for it is a fact which deserves some consideration, that the personal property of the merchant demands the maintenance by the city of its police force and fire department which is not demanded by any portion of the city outside the limits of the city. Trusting that your body will decide this matter as to you may seem right, and to the greatest advantage to those whom you represent.

I remain your obt. serv.

J. A. Whaley, Mayor

On motion the foregoing was received and referred until the next regular meeting.

On motion of Ald. Bobo, the Council adjourned to Wednesday, four o'clock, Feb. 1927, to consider the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of water-works in the City of Austin Texas.

Fred Sterzing
Recorder.
Council Meeting
Austin, Tex., Feb. 27, 1874

City Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Hon. the Mayor, in the chair, called the Council to order. The roll being called, the following named Aldermen answered to their names, to wit:


Hon. Mayor J. B. Wheeler stated that the meeting was called to consider and take action upon an ordinance to be entitled an Ordinance to provide for the construction of Water Works in the City of Austin, Tex. On motion of Ald. Bovey, the Ordinance was taken up and read; the Ordinance was then read by sections and censored, and read a second time. On motion of Ald. Bovey, the rules were suspended. The Ordinance read the second time. On motion of Ald. Robinson the rules were suspended. The Ordinance, read the second time, the gene and prayed being called the Ordinance was passed by the following vote:


Ald. Robinson offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

As it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, That the Recorder be authorized to pay all bills against the city amounting to less than twenty dollars, after a bill is certified to its correctness and approved by the Mayor, and that the Mayor shall issue his warrant to the Recorder for such amounts to be turned into the City Treasury as to much money.

On motion of Ald. Remond the Council adjourned to Saturday evening, February 27, 1874.

Fred Stengel
Recorder.
City Council Room
Austin, Texas
February 14, 1874

City Council met pursuant to adjournment. His Honor J.B. Wheeler in the chair called the Council to order. The roll being called the following Aldermen answered to their names: Tew, Wheeler, D. Boardman, W. B. Brueggerhoff, J. Dohme, H. Mitchell, H. B. Mitchell, H. H. Robinson, L. H. Todd, absent. Alderman Ed. Christian, W. A. Sheely, absent. Boardman moved that a special committee of three be appointed to investigate and examine into the case of Policemen T. E. Mays and Jack Dunedin for making an arrest of which they were suspended from duty, and said committee make report at next meeting. Carried. Ald. Dohme, Mitchell, and Robinson, appointed on said committee. Petition of A. R. Allen, J. H. Congley, and many other citizens of the tenth Ward praying for the opening of Consejo Street from Congress Avenue to the east boundary of the city, was read and referred to Street Committee.

An ordinance No. 7 was introduced entitled: "An Ordinance relative to Aldermen." The ordinance was read the first time. On motion the rules were suspended and the ordinance read second time. On motion the rules were further suspended and the ordinance read third time. The yeas and nays being called the ordinance passed by the following vote: Yeas: Tew, Dohme, Boardman, Brueggerhoff, Mitchell, Metz, Mitchell, Robinson, and Todd. Nays: none.

An ordinance No. 8 was introduced entitled: "An Ordinance relative to Alleys." The ordinance was read the first time. On motion the rules were suspended and the ordinance read the second time. On motion the rules were further suspended and the ordinance read third time. The yeas and nays being called the ordinance
An ordinance was introduced entitled, "An Ordinance, relative to Animals." The ordinance was read the first time, and on motion further action postponed until the next meeting.

Ordinances relative to treasurer, chief collector, and Board of Appeals were introduced, read the first time, and referred to Finance Committee to report back the same at next meeting.

An ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance, regulating Auditors," was introduced, the ordinance read the first time, and referred to Ordinance Committee.

An ordinance No. 9, entitled, "An Ordinance, regulating the health department," was introduced, and read the first time. On motion the rules were suspended, the ordinance read the second time, on motion the rules were further suspended, the ordinance read the third time, the ayes and nays being called the ordinance—passed by the following vote: Yes, Ald. Remond, Ald. Bourdon, Wm. B. Bruengerhoff, Dehone, S. Mitchell, Robinson, Odd, Saxe; no.

The following committees were then appointed by the Honb. the Mayor: tout.

On Ordinance Committee
J. H. Robinson, Chairman.
Wm. Bruengerhoff.
S. I. Bourdon.

On Finance Committee
Wm. Bruengerhoff, Chairman.
S. I. Robertson.
N. B. Mitchell.

On motion the vote, the passage of Mayor Wheeler on the ordinance No. 2, entitled, "An Ordinance regulating the amount of advertising tax to be levied upon Real and Personal Property in the city of Austin, and fixing a flat tax for
the year 1874, was taken up, and passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Hon. the Mayor by a two-thirds vote, as follows: yeas: Ald. Boardman, Boardman, Bruggerhoff, Dobme, H. Mitchell, Robinson, Nagey, H. Todd.

On motion the Council adjourned to Wednesday evening the 15th of February 1874.

Fred. Thomson
Receicer

City Council Room
Austin Deux February 24

Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Hon. T. R. Wheeler in the chair called the Council to order, roll being called, the following named Aldermen answered to their names: Gross, S. J. Boardman, W. Bruggerhoff, W. Christian, J. Kobine, H. C. Mitchell, J. H. Robinson, L. Keshey, L. H. Todd.


Petition of S. J. McDondahl praying for the privilege to retail liquors in quantities less than one quart, was read ordered and granted.

Petition of Charles Kathleen praying for the privilege to retail liquors in quantities less than one quart was read received, and granted.

Committee on investigation in the matter of Policemen J. H. Alg. & J. H. Ricehill in regard thereto issued a warrant for an arrest.

A special Council on February 17th, 1874, to the Hon. T. R. Wheeler Speaker,
Your committee to whom it was referred the investigation of the conduct of Policemen Alg. & F. Ricehill in making the arrest of Michael Galloon on the night of February 15th, 1874, have the honor to report that, after hearing the statement made by said Galloon to S. J. Boardman, find that said Galloon has...
been frequently arrested by the Police, and that at each arrest has required unusual force and rough handling to make said arrests, and your committee recommend that said Stey and Tanchill be continued on the Police force of this city.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

[Signature]

W. A. Mitchell Committee. J. B. B. Whitehouse

On motion the report was received, committee discharged, and the Mayor requested to reinstate said Policemen.

An ordinance was introduced, to be entitled, "An Ordinance regulating Nightsoakers." Upon the first reading of the ordinance, H. B. Mitchell moved to adjourn to Monday evening the 28th day of February 1874. Carried.

Fred Steyhouse
Recorder.

City Council Meeting
Aunt, 23rd, 1874.


Petition of Hanson & Dayton, asking privilege to retail liquors in quantities less than one quart, was read, received and granted.

Petition of Domenic Raschid, asking privilege to retail liquors in quantities less than one quart, was read, received and granted.

Petition of H. Kirchfeld for permission to erect an drain bury near the avenue, in small amount, not to be deeper than eighteen inches, and not to obstruct the sidewalk, was

...
Second. Mr. Boardman, Christian, Metz, Mitchell, Robinson, Scholz, and Todd, Nade, move, on ordinance No. 10, to be entitled, An Ordinance regulating fires, etc. Not taken up and read the first time. On motion, the rules were suspended, the ordinance read the second time, on motion the rules were further suspended, the ordinance read the third time, the yeas and nays being called, the ordinance passed by the following vote: Nye, Ald, Boardman, Christian, Metz, Mitchell, Robinson, Scholz, and Todd, Nade, move, that motion of Ald, Metz, the President adjourn to Wednesday evening 7½ o'clock, February 23rd, 1872.

Fred Sterling
Recorder.
City Council Room
Austin, Tex., February 8, 1874.

City Council met pursuant to adjournment.

H. B. Wheeler in the chair called the Council to order, the roll being called, the following named Aldermen answered to their names, viz. Carver, Bruggemann, J. L. Delano, Wm. Robinson, A. Schift, S. H. Todd, Ascht, M. C. Pierson, G. T. Beardman, Ed. Christian, N. H. Mitchell, and H. Myers.

Alld. Bruggemann moved to adjourn to Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, March 5th, 1874, and that the Marshal be instructed to inform all the Aldermen.

Carried.

Fred Spearing
President.

Stated meeting of the City Council
Austin, Tex., March 5th, 1874.


Minutes from the month of February 1874 were read and adopted.

Agitation of the Sporar Rifle, forming for the use of the City Hall, now in progress, for which they render their services as a special fire police, was read received and referred to Market House Committee.

Report of Alex. Trail for the month of February 1874, was presented and referred to Building Committee.

Report of the City Marshal for the month of February 1874, was presented and referred to Police Committee.

Commending the resolution revoking the lease of T. L. Parker, for the Market Hall to Luke.