,Regular meeting of the City Council Austin Texas,Oct 21 ,1907

Hon F M Maddox,Mayor,Presiding

Roll called

Present AldermenArmstrong,Crooker,Cuneo,Haynes,Meredith,Miller,Moreland,Petri,

Redd,Scott,Smith & Wilhelm 12 1

Absent Alderman Moore 1

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded by the Clerk ,withoutreading.

Petitions, memorials etc,

Petitions etc Longley. Jones

By the Mayor ,Petition of Mr & Mrs Longley asking correction or assessment for years 1905&6 ,Read and on motion referred to the Committee on Claims & accounts

Mrs M E Dial damages

By the Mayor,Petition of Mrs M E Dial,for damages,read and on motion referred to the Committee on Claims & accounts & the City Attorney

Phillip Lewis fine

By the Mayor, Petition of Philip Lewis ,asking remission of fine assessed against him in the Recorders Court,On motion the petition was granted

Frank Daniel fine

By the Mayor ,petition of Frank Daniel,asking remission of fine assessed in the Recorders Court,On motion the petition was granted.

The Mayor submitted to the council the following communication ,

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Gentlemen of the Council;

R L Reed fine remitted

On Oct 9th one R L Reed was arrested and fined for being intoxicated .Reed is a married man and his wife is now in Taylor in a delicate condition Reed has now been in prison 15 days,and I am of the opinion that he has been surficiently punished .I therefore recommend that the remainder of Reeds fine be remitted,and that he be given a ticket to Taylor,Texas

F M Maddox Mayor

On motion the fine was remitted and the Mayor authorized to send him toTaylor

Miss A Wright damages

By Alderman Cuneo ,petition of Miss A Wright ,asking for damages caused by falling on side-walk Read and on motion referred to the Committee on Claims and Account.

Reports of City officers

Officers reports

The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the Treasurer for the month of Sept 1907, which was on motion referred to the Finance Committee,without reading

Also a report from the City Engineer which was read and ordered filed,

Mr Water Works.

The Mayor also laid before the Council the report of the Water & Light Commission for the quarter ending Sept 30th 1907 ,which was read and ordered published one time in each of the following named papers,viz; The Statesman, The Tribune,The Sister and the German paper

Water Works Commissioners monthly report

Alderman Cuneo offered the following resolution which was read and adopted,

Resolved that the Water and Light Power Commission of the City of Austin be requested when making their quarterly and annual report ,to make an itemized report for the benefit of tax paying citizens ,that the public may know the actual condition of their Water and Light System

Report of Standing Committees.

Committee on Fire Dept

Water & Light Committee

Alderman Wilhelm for the Water & Light Committee to whom was referred a resolution requesting the Water & Light Commission to have a light placed at 27th street and the speedway ,presented a report recommending the passage of the resolution

On motion the report was adopted

Fire-Petition of Isaac Bledsoe

Alderman Reed for the Fire Committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Bledsoe for permission to erect a certain building within the Fire limits presented a report recommending that the petition be granted,

Police Committee Council Ordinance

Alderman Smith for the Police Committee to whom was referred an ordinance amending the pound ordinance presented a report stating that they had carefully considered same and had ordered the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending the ordinance as it now stands which they proposed to offer as a substitute for the ordinance referred to them ,on motion the report was laid over to come up with the ordinance.

Cemetery Sexton report

Alderman Crooker for theCemetary Committee to whom was referred the report of the City Sexton for the months of August & Sept 1907 ,presented a report stating that they had examined same and found them correct ,On motion the report was adopted .

Hospital Committee

Alderman Armstrong for the Hospital Committee presented a report showing expenditures for the quarter ending Sept 30th 1907 ,which was read and adopted

Purchasing Wood & Coal

Alderman Miller for the Purchasing Committee presented a report stating that they had advertised for and received bids for furnishing the Hospital with 17 cords of hard wood and 5 cords of cedar wood,also for furnishing coal for the City Hall,and recommending that the contract for wood be awarded to T J Brodie at $5,00 for cedar & 5,25 per cord for hard wood ,and that the contract for coal for the City Hall be awarded to the Austin coal and wood co ,at 6,50 per ton, On motion the report was adopted .

Paving on Retaining Wall front Ave

The Paving Committee presented a report stating that they had advertised for and received bids for a concrete retaining wall and for extention of concrete Avenue Storm Sewer ,and recommending that the bid of R V ~~Dixon~~ Dixon be accepted ,he being the lowest bidder,and that the Mayor be authorized to enter into contract with him in accordance with his bid;Alderman Cuneo moved that the matter lay over until the next regular meeting of the Council,which motion was lost by the following vote;

Yeas AldermenArmstrong,Cuneo,Haynes,Petri,Reed,& Smith 6

Nays Aldermen Crooker,Meredith,Miller,Moreland,Scott, Wilhelm&the Mayor7

Alderman Scott moved that the report of the Comittee be adopted which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas AldermenCrooker ,Meredith ,Miller,Moreland,Scott,Wilhelm &the Mayor7

City Clerk to return bids

Nays Aldermen Armstrong,,Cuneo,Haynes,Petri,Reed,& Smith 6

On motion of Alderman Scott the City Clerk was directed to return to the un-successful bidders their certified checks,filed with their bids .

Alderman Cuneo for the special committee to whom was referred the matter of Telephones ,presented a report as follows:

Telephones

Austin,Texas,10/21 / 07

To the Mayor Frank Maddox and the City Council of the City of Austin:
Your special Committee to whom was referred the matter of telephones for the different departments of the City Government ,beg leave to report that we recommend the placing of a "party line phone "at the disposal of the Fire Chief ,the Assistent Fire Chief and the Recorder of the fire dept of the City of Austin.

A E Cuneo

C J Wilhelm

W D Miller

On motion the report was adopted
The Mayor asked for and was granted a leave of absence for 3 or 4 days

Unfinished Business

Election Wd, 2 Ward

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance ordering an election for alderman at large from the second ward The ordinance was read the third time, Amendments fixing the date for Novl 5th 1907, and filling the different blanks fixing places of holding the election, and naming judges of election in in the different wards, were adopted, and the ordinance, as amended passed.

New Business

Geo L. Hume building permit

Alderman Haynes moved that Mr Geo L Hume be permitted to address the Council regarding a shed which he had erected within the fire limits contrary to the City ordinance, which motion prevailed. After remarks by Mr Hume, Alderman Haynes moved that the application of Mr Hume for permission to erect a lumber shed within the fire limits be granted, which motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Petri, Read, Scott, Smith and Wilhelm 10

Nays Aldermen Cuneo and Moreland 2

Hospital

On motion County Judge Hornsby was invited to address the Council on the matter of the City and County Hospital, Judge Hornsby in behalf of Travis County presented the following proposition:

Austin, Texas, Oct 21st 1907

Hon F M Maddox, Mayor & Members of the City Council City of Austin

Gentlemen:

Provision for Care of Prisoners

Under authority of the Commissioners Court I hereby submit a proposition from Travis County to pay to the City of Austin one dollar each per day for each patient Chargeable to Travis County now in the CCity and County Hospital, or that may hereafter be placed in said County and City Hospital

Very Respectfully

Jno W Hornsby County Judge

Travis County Texas

On motion the proposition was referred to the Hospital Committee

On motion Alderman Moreland [illegible] order attendance at this session of the Council;

Wm H. Britnell Resignation as Nurse

The Mayor laid before The Council the resignation of Mrs Mary F Britnell as Nurse at the Hospital, which was read and accepted.

Resignation City Engineer

The Mayor laid before The Council a communication from The City Engineer Tendering his resignation, to take effect Oct 25th 1907, which on motion was accepted.

Mayor, Paving and Street Committee to employ Engineer temporarily

Alderman Haynes offered the following resolution which was read and adopted. Resolved that in view of the vacancy now in the office of City engineer and the imperitive necessity of having an experienced Engineer in charge of the paving and retaining wall work, that the Mayor, Paving Committee and Street Committee, with the approval of the City Council and is hereby authorized to employ an Engineer and an assistant as in their judgment they may deem

necessary until such a time as the Council may elect a City Engineer.

Ordinance amending like was ordained

By Alderman Cuneo An ordinance amending an ordinance entitled an ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled an ordinanceproviding for the repair and improvement of ,and paving of the sidewalks of the city of Austin passed the 9th day of August 1907 ,and approved the 15th day of August 1907 The ordinance was read The first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote ;

Yeas AldermenArmstrong,Crooker,Cuneo, Haynes,Meredith,Miller,Moreland, Petri,Redd,Scott,Smith and Wilhelm 12

Nays none

Ordinance amending occupation tax ordinance liquors

By Alderman Haynes An ordinance amending an ordinancelevying an annual occupation tax on malt and liquor dealers The ordinance was read Thefirst time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote;

Yeas AldermenArmstrong,Crooker,Cuneo, Haynes,Meredith,Miller,Moreland, Petri,Redd Scott, Smith and Wilhelm 12

Nays none

Mayor Purchase wood for poor

Alderman Crooker offered the following resolution which was read and adopted Resolved that the Mayor be authorized to buy 4 cords of wood for the City poor .

$300. extra Attorney Fees

By Alderman Scott an ordinance appropriating the sum of $300.00 for the purpose of paying for extra street work :The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote

Yeas AldermenArmstrong,Crooker,Cuneo,Haynes,Meredith,Miller,Moreland, Petri,Redd,Scott,Smith and Wilhelm 12

Nays none

On motion the Council adjourned until 9'oclock P M Monday Oct 28th 1907

Jno O Johnson City Clerk

Adjourned Regular meeting of the City Council, Austin, Texas, Oct 26th 1907

Hon F M Maddox, Mayor presiding.

Roll called, Present Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, & Wilhelm 9

Absent Aldermen Moore, Reed, Scott & Smith 4

Report Hospital Committee on County proposition

Alderman Armstrong, for the Hospital Committee to whom was referred the proposition of the Commissioners Court of Travis County in the matter of the Hospital, presented the following report which was read and adopted,

To the Hon Mayor and City Council of the City of Austin:

We your Hospital Committee, having considered the proposition of the Hon Commissioners of Travis County to pay to the City, only for the care of such patients as they may have County patients. Have to report, that considering each and every patient of the institution as from the County of Travis, we have to recommend that the proposition be declined, believing that the City and County should share equally the burden of caring for the sick & helpless of our City and County

Respectfully

C J Armstrong

A E Cuneo

Henry Petri H

Hospital Committee

On motion the report was adopte

Travis County Supports Hospital

Hon Jno W Hornsby Co Judge of Travis County submitted the following proposition:

Austin, Texas, Oct 26 1907

Hon F M Maddox Mayor City of Austin, and members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:

Under authority and direction of the Commissioners Court, I submit to the City a proposition under which the County will be willing to take charge and control of the City and County hospital and pay all expenses of operation, said Hospital and care for all City patients at the rate of $1,00 per day

Jno W Hornsby, County Judge

Travis County Texas

Proposition Rejected

Alderman Cuneo moved that the proposition be rejected, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Scott and Wilhelm 10

Nays none

On motion of Alderman Haynes the Mayor and City Clerk were granted a leave of absence for two days

County Judge Hornsby submitted the following proposition:

Austin, Texas, Oct 26, 1907

Hon F M Maddox Mayor and members City Council

Gentlemen:

By authority of the Commissioners court I hereby submit to the City of Austin a proposition to take charge and control of the County and City Hospital and employ all help and purchase all necessary supplies: The City and County to share shere equally in the expenses of the operation of said institution.

No patients to be admitted except upon the order of the Commissioners Court or

County ~~Judge~~ Judge

Jno W Hornsby County Judge Travis County

Alderman Cuneo moved that the proposition be referred to the Horpital Committee and the Mayor, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Alderman Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Heyner, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Scott and Willelm 10

Nays none

Assistant Chief Water Engineer

Alderman Scott reported that the Street and Paving Committee had selected Mr G S Irenell to act as City Engineer until the election of a successor to Mr Leonard was elected On motion the selection was confirmed

On motion the Council adjourned Jno O Johnson City Clerk