

Regular meeting of the City Council ,Austin ,Texas ,

June 24th 1909.

Hon A P Wooldridge, Mayor ,presiding: Roll called:

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from R M Thomson Jr asking the Council to remit a fine assessed against J E Lane, in the Recorders Court ,for fast driving of an automobile on June 14, 1909.

The petition was read and referred to Councilman Hart for investigation & report.

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from John Doshler asking the Council to reduce his assessment as fixed by the Board of Equalization, which was read and referred to Councilman Hart for investigation and report.

By Councilman Hart a petition from Citizens of the 7th Ward asking the Council to extend the Pound limits .Read and on motion referred to Councilman Hart & Powell & the City Attorney by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy ,Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

By Councilman Hart petition of Ladies of the W T C U & the Butchers of the City asking the Council to pass an ordinance prohibiting Butcher shops from opening and transacting business on Sundays. The Petition was read .

The City Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt of same ,and to inform the petitioners that it was the opinion of the Council that they had no authority to pass such an ordinance.

On motion the Council recessed until 2 o'clock P M this day.

June 24th 1909. 2 P M

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council .an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 1295.00 for the purpose of paying salaries of regular employees of the Sanitary Dept . The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 30,590 .00 for the purpose of paying the interest due July 1st 1909, on the Refunding bonds of the City. The ordinance was read the third time

and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 250.00 for the purpose of cutting weeds, etc Sanitary Dept.

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 400.00 for the purpose of making necessary repairs at the City Hospital. The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Petition R M Thomson
et al To remit
fine of J E Lane

Petition John
Doshler to
reduce assessment

Citizens to extend
Pound limits

Ladies W T C U
to prohibit Butcher
shops from selling
on Sunday

Approve salaries
regular employees
Sanitary Dept

Approve interest on
Refunding bonds

Approve cutting weeds
Sanitary Dept

Approve repairs at
City Hospital

Increased salary Grimes
Fire Commissioner

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance amending section 561 of the revised Statutes of the city of Austin. The ordinance was read the second time and the rule suspended and the ordinance placed on its third reading by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to put T S Thompson on the Monthly pay roll of the Street Department As Assistant Foreman. Salary Fifty dollars (\$ 50.00) per month , time commencing June 19th 1909.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Gracy presented to the Council communications from several Insurance Companies in regard to taxes on deposits in the State Treasury, which were referred to the City Attorney for investigation and report.

Councilman Gracy presented to the Council bids received by him for Supplies, etc, for the City for the term ending December 31st 1909. The following bids were accepted and contracts awarded, viz :

For Stock Feed to Robinson Bros.

For Cement to The Austin White Lime Co .

For Wood for Hospital , Charity & Crematory to J C Brodie .

For Sweet Milk for Hospital to J W Templer .

For Butter & butter Milk for Hospital to H F Hodge.

For Beef for Hospital to S A Stone .

For Prescriptions for Paupers to J W Graham & Son

For Hauling pauper remains to City Cemetery to V O Weed.

For Hauling Sick to G W Patterson .

For Furnishing graves , burying dead and Hauling remains of Colored paupers to W M Tears.

The bids for Groceries, Drugs for Hospital and Meals for Prisoners were referred to Councilman Hart for examination and report .

Bids for Lumber & Blacksmithing was referred to Councilman Powell , for examination and report.

On motion the Council recessed subject to the call of the Mayor.

June 26th 1909.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members Present, also the following Gentlemen Members of the consulting Paving Committee, viz : Messrs A C Goeth, A J Eilers & Joe Harrell.

Mr C E Anderson , for himself and as the representative of Mrs McLeary, appeared before the Committee and made a statement .

After hearing statement of Mr Anderson, Councilman Powell moved that

T S Thompson put
on pay Roll as
Asst Foreman

Communications
from Insurance
Cos. in regard to
taxes on deposits
in the State
Treasury

Bids for Supplies
for the City

Councilman
Hart will
bring on
paving committee

the Council pave West 6th street between Guadalupe and San Antonio streets with Cement GROUT, which motion prevailed by the following vote :
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

*Citizens permitted to use
asphalt filler in
paving West*

Councilman Bartholomew moved that permission be given individual property holders between Guadalupe and San Antonio streets to contract for, at their extra cost, for asphalt filler between said streets, if they can do so with the contractors, which motion was adopted by the following vote:
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

*Contracts for Lumber
& Blacksmithing
Awarded*

Councilman Powell to whom was referred the bids for Lumber and Blacksmithing for the City for the term ending Dec 31st 1909, presented a verbal report, recommending that the contract for Lumber be awarded to the Calcasieu Lumber Co, and the bid for Blacksmithing be awarded to Eklund & Co, these being the lowest and best bids. The reports were adopted by the following vote:
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

*Bids for groceries
& dry goods for
Hospital awarded*

Councilman Hart to whom was referred the bids for Groceries for the City Hospital, made a verbal report, recommending that the bids of W B & Tom Smith be accepted, one to furnish the supplies for one month and the other the next. On motion the report was adopted by the following vote :
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

On motion of Councilman Hart the bid of W B Smith for Dry Goods for the City Hospital was accepted, by the following vote:
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

Councilman Hart to whom was referred the bids for Drugs at the City Hospital made a verbal report recommending the acceptance of the bid of the Van Smith Drug Co, which recommendation was adopted by the following vote :
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

By Councilman Bartholomew an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 25,000.00 for the purpose of paying approved accounts Water & Light Dept. The ordinance was read the first time and on motion the rule was suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by the following vote :
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over until the next regular meeting.

On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

June 26th 1909, 3 oclock P M

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with all members present. The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the City Attorney on the claim of L Littman for damages, which was read, and ordered filed, by the following vote:
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

On motion the Council recessed subject to the call of the Mayor.

*Contract for
Drugs for Hospital
Awarded*

*Appropriation approved
for Water & Light Dept*

*A part of city attorney
on hospital claim
Littman for
damages*

June 28th 1909.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with all members present.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to put the name of E H Warner, as Stenographer for the Council, on the regular monthly pay roll at a salary of Forty (\$ 40.00) dollars per month.

Time beginning June 1st 1909.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Hart moved to reconsider the vote by which

the Council awarded the contract for Drugs for the City Hospital to the Van Smith Drug Company, which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

On motion Councilman Hart was authorized to re-advertise for bids ^{for drugs} for the City Hospital for the term ending December 31st 1909.

On the recommendation of Councilman ^{Hart} the bid of Mrs A E Wheeler for meals for City prisoners was accepted and the contract awarded to her, by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

On Motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

June 29th 1909.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with all members present.

A motion was made and unanimously adopted instructing the City Attorney and his Assistant to vigorously prosecute the City cases appealed from the Corporation Court.

On motion Asst City Attorney J K Thraser was granted a leave of absence from July 14th to August 1st 1909., by a vote of 5 ayes to no noes. ~~Thankxxxx~~

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 500.00 for the purpose of cutting weeds & grass and for repairs in the City Cemetery. The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

On motion the salaries of Officers and Employees of the City were continued as heretofixed, for the month of June, except where otherwise changed.

Councilman Powell moved that Mess W B Walker & Sons be granted permission to erect a corrugated awning in the alley on end of

E H Warner put on regular pay roll as stenographer for the Council

Contract for drugs at Hospital also considered

and new bids asked for.

Mrs A E Wheeler awarded contract for meals for prisoners

City Attorney instructed to prosecute cases appealed from Corporation Court

Asst City Attorney leave

Appropriation for repairs to City Cemetery

Salaries of Officers & employees continued except where otherwise changed

their warehouse between 3rd & 4th streets, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

By Councilman Gracy an ordinance ordering an election to obtain the consent of two-thirds of the property tax paying voters of the City of Austin to the levy of an additional school tax of 11 1/3 cents on each one hundred dollars worth of property subject to taxation by said City, the proceeds of said tax to be used for school purposes.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

Mr Chas Wolf appeared before the Council and asked permission to erect an iron stairway to building on East 5th street, 25 feet east of Congress Avenue.

On motion the petition was granted by the following vote :

Yeas Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 4

Nays Mayor Wooldridge .1

On Motion the Council recessed .

June 30th 1909.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor.

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Gracy . 1

Councilman Hart presented to the Council a bill in favor of W H Long, for services as Stenographer, in the investigation of the conduct of Marshal Laughlin and Sergeant J D Platt, in the matter of the pugilistic encounter at Raats Gymnasium, amounting to \$ 225.00, which was approved and ordered paid by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew Hart & Powell 4

Nays none.

Councilman Powell presented the bid of Herrron & Fallagant, for construction of Storm Sewer on 16th & Nueces streets, for \$ 1295.00.

Councilman Powell moved that the bid be accepted and the Contract awarded to Mess Herrron & Fallagant,

Councilman Gracy entered. The motion of Councilman Powell was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

On motion the Council adjourned.

Lucas Johnson
City Clerk.

Election ordered on proposition to increase school tax

That half granted permission to erect iron stairway East 5th

Bill of Stenographer in the pugilistic encounter allowed

Contract for Storm Sewer 16th & Nueces ST, approved by Council