

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas, Oct 13th 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: Roll called:

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

Absent none.

The minutes of the last regular and recessed meetings were read and approved.

Petitions, Memorials, etc :

By Councilman Gracy petition of J W Epps, asking the Council to refund to him certain taxes assessed to him in error

On motion the petition was granted by the following vote :

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

Nays none

By Councilman Hart petition of Citizens Association, southside, asking the removal of stock pens from south Austin.

The petition was read. Councilman Hart moved that the City Attorney be

instructed to prepare and submit to the Council at the earliest possible time, not later than the next regular meeting, an ordinance on the subject of stock pens within the City limits, and that Citizens interested be invited to meet with the Council, at a time to be set for consideration of the ordinance, and discuss same, which motion prevailed by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

By Mayor Weeldridge petition of Citizens west of the State Lunatic Asylum and north of State street, asking an extension of a water main North of Wabash & Alice Avenues of not less than 4 inches in diameter and to place 2 or 3 hydrants on said line.

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

Reports of City Officers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the City Treasurer, The City Clerk, the Plumbing Inspector, The Marshal, the Assessor & Collector of taxes and the Report of the Water & Light plant for the month of Sept 1910, which were read and ordered filed.

Unfinished business :

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance regulating use and improvement of drains and waterways in the City, which was read the third time.

Councilman Powell offered a substitute for the ordinance, which was read

The Council then recessed until 2 o'clock P M this day.

*See memo. re
refund of taxes paid in
error*

*See Citizens Assoc
pen south Austin*

*Pet. Citizens for
extension water main
for fire hydrants
Wabash & Alice
Avenues*

Reports City Officers

Drain Ordinance

October 14th 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with all members present.
 The Mayor laid before the Council the resolution fixing the Curb line on South Congress Avenue, which was read the third time and passed by the following vote :
 Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

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 Cove name*

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :
 That the collection of the fine of \$ 10.50 entered in the Corporation Court against Bill Hewitt for intoxication be and the same is hereby suspended until the further order of the City Council ,for the reason that the defendant is a very old man, an inmate of the Confederate Home ,and promises that the offence will not again occur

*Bill Hewitt with
 indubited*

The resolution was passed by the following vote:

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

*Bill Co. in Coal
 wood Co. in Coal
 with 1-11*

Councilman Bartholomew presented the bid of The Austin Coal & Wood Company, for furnishing Lignite Coal for the Water & Light Plant for the year 1911, at \$ 1.55 per ton F O B ,Austin Texas.

On motion the bid was accepted and the contract awarded to them at their bid, by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 4 5

Nays none.

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

October 15th 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with all members present.
 The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution.
 Whereas, the Superintendent of Streets and Public Improvements has not located the track line for a street railway for Claud V Burkhead and Associates on South Congress Avenue in the City of Austin, at any point on said street south of the intersection of said street with the Fredriksburg road ,which act on the part of said Superintendent is made a condition to the placing of a street railway track by said parties thereon, by the certain ordinance passed July 1st 1910; and,
 Whereas, it has come to the knowledge of the City Council that Claud V Burkhead and Associates and their agents and employees have and are now digging in South Congress Avenue at a point beyond the said intersection of said street and have placed and are placing obstructions thereon and in said street, Therefore,

*Block down
 south main line
 work, with grades
 are 2.00*

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :
 That Claud V Burkhead and Associates and their agents and employees be and they are hereby required to stop immediately all digging in said street south of said intersection ,and to restore said street to the condition in which same was before said acts of said parties; and said parties are further required to remove at once all obstructions from said street.

Be it further resolved ,that a certified copy of this resolution be served upon John E Shelton, Esq, Attorney for said parties.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:
 Yeas Mayor Woodridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
 Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge laid before the Council the following resolution:

Whereas, Claud V Birkhead and Associates, operating under a certain franchise granted them on July 1st 1910, to construct, maintain and operate a street railway in the City of Austin, have through certain parties made demand upon the City Council for the proper grade lines and the location of the track line upon South Congress Avenue in the City of Austin south of the intersection of the Fredricksburg road; and,

Whereas, the said Claud V Birkhead and Associates is not a Corporation with duly constituted agencies through the business of said grantees may be transacted with the City of Austin; and,

Whereas, it has not been disclosed to the City Council who the said Associates are, and no one has exhibited the authority to the City Council, nor purported to act for said grantees to the extent of binding said grantees in any agreement that may be made between the City of Austin and said grantees in any matters regulating the construction and maintenance of a street railway over the streets of the City of Austin; and

Whereas, it is necessary for the proper protection of the public that in any transactions that may hereafter be had with said grantees by the City Council, definite authority be shown by any party or parties purporting to represent said grantees in all agreements between the City Council and said party or parties; now therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That any party or parties appearing before the City Council or otherwise dealing with the City of Austin purporting to represent said grantees, be and they are hereby required to file with the City Clerk a power of attorney made and executed by each and all of said grantees, reposing in said party or parties full and plenary authority to act for them in all matters relating to the construction and maintenance and operation of said railway in the City of Austin, and that such power of attorney shall in addition designate some person who resides in the City of Austin as its agent upon whom services of notices and legal process may be had; and, Be it resolved further, that a copy of this resolution be served on John E Shelton and H A Dawson.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance to grant to Felix Cherico the right to construct, maintain and operate a railroad track across a certain alley in the City of Austin, subject to certain conditions and penalties.

The ordinance was read the first time and the rule suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote :

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

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance making an appropriation to settle the judgement claim of Harry Reasonover against the City of Austin.

*Account of Birkhead and Associates
to make power of
attorney to someone
to represent them*

*Point Cherico
to Reasonover*

*Appropriation to settle claim
of Reasonover*

The ordinance was read the first time and the rule suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote:

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

Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Oct 18th 1910.

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

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas Claud V Birkhead and Associates, have asked for a line for their street railroad on south Congress Avenue, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, shall and does hereby designate the following line on South Congress Avenue as the line on which said street railway shall be laid; all measurements given are from a line which is a continuation of the center line of North Congress Avenue, and is also the true center line of South Congress Avenue in all portions except between the Bouldin Creek Culvert and the south end of the ravine between James and Gibson streets.

Starting at the Congress Avenue bridge said street railway shall, within sixty feet, curve from the track on the bridge to the center line of the Avenue, and shall continue along said center line to a point of the curve to the west into the Fredricksburg road. At this point the line shall leave the center, and by a reverse curve shall take a position eighteen feet (18') from said center of Congress Avenue to the center of the track. The line shall continue in this position parallel to said center line of Congress Avenue until it reaches a distance of approximately two thousand feet (2,000) from the south end of the Colorado River bridge.

From this point said track shall, by a reverse curve, take a position eleven feet (11') from said center line of Congress Avenue to center line of said track, and shall continue in this position as far south as said Claud V Birkhead and Associates shall construct said track. Positions of all curves, frogs, switches, etc, are to be given by the Superintendent of Streets and Public Improvements through the City Engineer.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

By Councilman Gracy, an ordinance to permit owners of Real Estate purchased by the City of Austin at foreclosure sale to redeem the same at any time within Ten months from the taking effect of this ordinance.

The ordinance was read the first time and the rule suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance to grant H H Voss and O L Kooch the right to construct, maintain and operate a railroad track upon and across certain streets in the City of Austin, subject to certain conditions and penalties

*Line for Street
R.R. on South
Congress*

*Ordinance to permit
owners of Real Estate
purchased by the City
of Austin at foreclosure
sale to redeem the same
at any time within
Ten months from the
taking effect of this
ordinance.*

City Council

The ordinance was read the first time and the rule suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy & Hart 4
Nays Councilman Powell 1

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That thirty-second street (32nd st) from King street to West Avenue between blocks one and two in Smyth's addition to the City of Austin, Texas, be located in accordance with stakes placed by the City Engineer at the north-east and North-west corners of Lot 6, block 1, Smyth's addition to the City of Austin; said line being hereby designated as the south line of said street, the north line to be fifty feet (50') from said south line, and parallel thereto. Also that block 2, and lots in same be surveyed from said location of 32nd street.

The resolution was passed by the following vote :

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

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Oct 19th 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor.

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That all the streets entering or passing to the State Capitol grounds on the east side of the Capitol building may be closed to vehicles (other than those in the parade) from the hour of 10 A M to 2 P M of October 27th 1910, during the ceremonies pertaining to the unveiling of the John B Hood monument.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart 3
Absent Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

(1) That the Austin Fire Dept be and is hereby requested to take part in the parade to take place at 9,30 O'clock on the morning of October 27th 1910, in the celebration of the unveiling of the John B Hood Brigade Monument .It would be gratifying to the Council if the different Companies would appear in uniform with their apparatus.

(2) That a copy of this resolution be at once transmitted to the Chief of the Fire Dept with request that he give the matter his special attention .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart 3
Absent Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

The Council then adjourned.

Geo. D. Johnson
City Clerk.

*To close, certain to
in initial program
of the unveiling
John B Hood Monument*

*Austin Fire Dept
request to Fire Dept
- parade initiation
7/10/10*