

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL;

Austin, Texas, April 6, 1922.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; absent, none.

The Minutes of March 30th were read and adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

The annual report of Commissioner H. L. Haynes, Superintendent of Receipts, Disbursements and Accounts, for the year ending December 31, 1921, was presented and ordered filed.

The report of W. L. Eyres, Superintendent Water, Light and Power Department, for the month of January, 1922, was read and ordered filed.

The monthly reports of Sam D. Griffin, Chief of Police, Robert Rockwood, Fire Marshal, Mrs. R. C. Walker, Pure Food Inspector, and A. S. Anderson, Public Weigher, were read and ordered filed.

The communication of the Technical Club, presented by H. P. Hunnicutt and S. S. Posey, asking that a test well at Spicewood Springs be completed to determine definitely if a source of pure water supply is obtainable at that point, was read and ordered filed.

Councilman Copeland introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has heretofore entered into contract with Spear Brothers for certain labor and materials in the construction of equipment in the new City Hospital, amounting to \$84.25, and in accordance with said contract said Spears Brothers has furnished materials and completed the work,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the sum of \$84.25 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the City Hospital Bond Fund, and the City Clerk is hereby instructed to draw a warrant for said amount, payable to Spears Brothers, in full payment for the above contract.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Copeland introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Police and Public Safety, acting under authority of the City Council, has heretofore purchased of C. A. Dahlich certain articles of household furniture for the equipment of the Nurse's Home, an addition to the City Hospital, for the sum of \$1135.19, as shown by inventory dated March 10, 1922, and said equipment has been delivered to the City for such purposes,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the sum of \$1135.19 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the City Hospital Bond Fund, and the City Clerk is hereby instructed to draw a warrant for said amount payable to the order of C. A. Dahlich, in full payment for said equipment as contained in said invoice.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor

Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; naves, none.

Councilman Copeland introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Police and Public Safety has heretofore purchased from C. A. Dahlich certain equipment for the City Hospital, for the sum of \$570.41, as shown by the two certain inventories dated March 17, 1922, and said equipment has been delivered to the City,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the sum of \$570.41 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the City Hospital Bond Fund, and the City Clerk is hereby instructed to draw a warrant for said amount, payable to the order of C. A. Dahlich, in full payment for said equipment as shown by said inventories.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; naves, none.

WHEREAS, in considering the protest of J. B. Pope against the action of the Board of Equalization in raising the valuations of properties rendered by him for taxes of 1921, the Council agreed to reduce the valuation on the ground placed by the Board on parts of Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block 84, from \$12,200.00 to \$9,200.00, and also agreed to reduce the valuation placed by said Board on Lot No. 1, Block 68, from \$19,965.00 to \$13,965.00, making a total reduction of \$9,000.00; and

Whereas, the taxes having been paid by the said J. B. Pope on the valuations placed by the Board, he is entitled to a refund of \$198.00, the amount of taxes on the \$9,000.00 reduction,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby instructed to make note of the changes on his rolls of 1921, and that the City Clerk be instructed to issue to Mr. J. B. Pope a warrant for the sum of \$198.00, payable out of the General Fund of the City of Austin.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; naves, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That in compliance with request of the Board of Equalization herewith attached, the Assessor and Collector is hereby authorized to change on his rolls for 1921 the valuation of \$800.00 on Lots Nos. 7 and 8, Block 12, Outlet 75/76 Division "D", assessed to D. B. Chambers, to \$600.00, and to take credit for the \$200.00, amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; naves, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, referring to the protest of Mrs. L. A. Rowe and A. W. Rowe, made to the City Council against the valuation of \$3,000.00 assessed as two-thirds of the ground value of the north half of Lots Nos. 5 and 6, Block 151, and the statement of Mr. A. W. Rowe that the Council agreed to allow a reduction of \$500.00 from said assessment, notwithstanding there appears no memoranda of said agreement on the part of the Council,

Now, therefore, in deference to the above claim,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Assessor and Collector be authorized to reduce said assessments the sum of \$250.00 and to take credit for the amount.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That in accordance with request of the Board of Equalization herewith attached, the Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby instructed to reduce the valuation of \$2500.00 placed by them on the improvements on Lot 14 and part of Lot 15, West End Heights, assessed to S. B. Mallett, to \$1,800.00, as per agreement on his protest, and which they failed to note on the rolls, and the Assessor and Collector is authorized to take credit for \$700.00, amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight,

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the Assessor and Collector be and is hereby instructed to reduce the valuation of \$5,335.00 placed by the Board of Equalization on Lot 23, Outlet 36, Division "D", owned by C. L. Condit, to \$4,000.00, in accordance with request of said Board herewith attached, the Board having agreed to make said reduction when Mr. Condit appeared before them, but failed to make correction on the rolls and the Assessor and Collector is authorized to make the correction on his rolls for 1921, and to take credit for \$1,335.00, amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Equalization, per statement attached, agreed to reduce the valuation of \$2,465.00, improvements on 60x150 feet of Outlet 25, Division "D", assessed to J. A. Reese, to \$2,250.00, but failed to note the reduction on the tax roll of 1921,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby instructed to make the change in said assessment on his rolls, and to take credit for \$215.00 amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the valuation of \$2,145.00 placed by the Board of Equalization on Lot 46x128 feet in southeast corner of Outlet 54, Division "E", owned by Miss Sigrid A. Johnson on her protest to the City Council, be and is hereby reduced to \$1,850.00, as per agreement and memoranda on said protest, and the Assessor and Collector is hereby instructed to make said reduction on his roll of 1921, and to take credit for amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That in compliance with the request of the Board of Equalization herewith attached, the valuation of \$400.00 placed by said Board on Lot No. 1, Block 10, Outlet 44, Division "B", Gammel & Taylor Addition, owned by George Hawkins, and \$800.00 placed as the valuation of improvements on said lot, be reduced as follows: To \$300.00 as the value of the lot and \$450.00 as the value of the improvements, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby authorized to make the changes on his rolls for 1921, and to take credit for the \$450.00, amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mrs. S. K. Morley by petition filed with the City Council January 10th, 1922, protests the action of the Board of Equalization in raising the ground value of original Lot 2, Block 10, Outlet 11, Division "Z", from \$2,200.00 to \$5,115.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after investigation of the valuation placed by said Board on adjoining properties, deems it just and equitable that valuation made by the Board of \$5,115.00 on the property described should be reduced to \$4,000.00 to be on a basis with adjoining properties,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby instructed to make said reduction on the valuation of the property described on his rolls for 1921, and to take credit for \$1,115.00, the amount of reduction.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on the protest of George Henkes against the valuation of \$5,065.00 placed on the improvements of his property on Outlet I, Division "Z", and a showing by him of the cost of said improvements, the Council made note on the protest to reduce the valuation of said improvements to \$4000.00, but the same was not included in the report of changes to the Assessor and Collector,

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby authorized to make said reduction of \$1065.00 on the valuation of said improvements and to take credit for same.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; naves, none.

The communication of O. P. Basford, concerning rates for water and light was read and referred to Councilman Eyres, by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Copeland, Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 5; naves, none.

The Council then recessed.

Joel S. Connsby
City Clerk.

See Minute Book "9."

