

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, May 23, 1918.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following present: Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell, 5; absent none.

The minutes of the previous meetings up to this date were read and approved by a vote of 5 yeas.

Joe Harrell, chairman, and J. H. W. Williams, a member, of the City School Board, were present and asked that the Council give the School Board an answer by June 1 as to whether the Council considers the schools entitled to the interest and penalties collected on delinquent school taxes. The Mayor assured them that he would have the City Attorney prepare an opinion upon this point within the time stated.

A committee of public service car owners presented a petition signed by R. C. Stovall and others asking that service cars be not allowed to stand on the streets but be compelled to operate from garages. A communication from A. L. Givens was read in which he argued that men new in the public service car business would be ruined if not allowed to have a stand on the streets. Final decision on this matter was deferred.

After hearing an oral statement from Ben Brown, a High School student, the Mayor offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That one-half of the fine and costs for speeding assessed against Ben Brown in Cause No. 12856, Corporation Court of the City of Austin--said fine and costs amounting to \$14.80--be and the same is hereby remitted. This is done owing to the youthfulness of the said Ben Brown and the fact that it was his first offense.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, May 23, 1918: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:

That the assessment of an automobile against C. Rosell for taxes of 1917, at \$200.00, be and the same is hereby ordered cancelled and annulled; for the reason that it appears from the attached duplicate order that said automobile was not purchased by said C. Rosell until April 4th, 1917.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, May 23, 1918: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

A petition signed by 31 employees of the City Hall was read by the Mayor, who offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:

That a half holiday^{be and the same} is hereby given to the office employees of the City of Austin for Saturday of every week from the middle of June, 1918, to the middle of September, 1918

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, May 23, 1918: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

The report of the City Plumbing Inspector for April and those of the Superintendent of the Water, Light and Power Department for January, February and March were read and ordered filed.

Councilman Anthony nominated S. E. Foster and W. C. Ayers to be special policemen without pay. Each of them was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell, 4; nays none; Councilman Anthony not voting.

The Mayor read a letter received by Fire Chief C. L. Woodward relative to the

international convention of Fire Chiefs, to be held at Chicago beginning June 4, and the Council agreed that he should be permitted to attend.

AFTERNOON SESSION: All members present.

The Mayor presented the application of W. S. Bradfield, 1513 West Ninth street, for public service car license on his 7-passenger Hudson car, No. 144071, which was granted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

The Mayor laid before the Council "An ordinance defining "Food Products" and "Food Products Establishments", requiring a permit for the operation of such establishments, providing for sanitary regulations of the same, and prescribing penalties."

The ordinance was read the first time and laid over.

By a vote of 5 yeas, the Council granted to W. J. Morris, Chief of Police, leave of absence for ten days beginning June 8.

The Council then adjourned.

U. E. Martin

City Clerk

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, May 24, 1918.

The Mayor presented the application of Matthew Edwards, 2104 Rosewood avenue, for public service car license on his Ford automobile, No. 133388, which was granted by a vote of 5 yeas.

The Council then adjourned.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, May 25, 1918.

The Mayor presented the application of Jesse Roby, 901 East Nineteenth street, for public service car license on his Ford car, No. 184696, which was granted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

The Council then adjourned.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, May 27, 1918.

The Mayor presented the application of Ray Griffin, 406 Rio Grande street, for public service car license on his Overland car, No. 131347, which was granted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

The Mayor presented also the applications of the Liberty Motor Bus Company, Camp Mabry, Texas, of which W. J. Jones is president, for public service car licenses on a Republic machine, No. 248423, and a Nash, No. 26000, which were also granted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

The Council then adjourned.

U. E. Martin

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