

investigation. The charges were read. Officer Hoffmann
pleaded not guilty. — Mr Monroe Pratt was sworn
and examined. — Officer Metz was sworn and exam-
ined. — Mr Mangrove was sworn and examined.

The Court was then cleared and the following resolution
offered and unanimously adopted, To wit,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin,
That in the charges made against Officer J. E. Hoffmann
for disorderly conduct not becoming an Officer, that
this being the first complaint while an Officer of this
City, that the Mayor is hereby ordered to reprimand
him for the same, that however he be retained on the
Police Force of this City.

On motion of Ald. Robinson the Mayor was author-
ized to purchase matting for the Mayor's Office and
Stairway.

On motion of Ald. Bruggertoff the Street Commit-
tee was authorized to purchase a horse and cart
for city, provided they can buy the same on three months
time at cash rates.

On motion Council adjourned.

Fred Storing
Recorder.

Stated meeting of City Council.

Austin Tex

September 7th 1874.

His Hon. J. B. Wheeler, presiding, Aldermen,
present: J. J. Boardman, W. Bruggertoff, C. Christian,
E. Dohme, H. H. Metz, N. B. Mitchell, J. H. Robin-
son, and S. H. Todd, Aldermen absent: C. Bre-
mond, and Ch. Scholz.

Minutes for the month of August 1874, were read and
adopted.

Petition of J. Luxinger, C. Krohn and other butchers,
was read, praying for the laying of gas pipes to the city
market house at the expense of the city. On motion the
Street Committee was authorized to make contract for
the laying of the pipes, it being understood however, that
the occupants pay for the gas furnished.

Petition of D. J. Murchison, was read, praying for

the release of threemonths license on the Opera House.
On motion the petition was laid on the table.

Petition of P. F. Battaille, J. W. Day and many others, was read, praying for the opening of Cypress street from East Avenue to the East boundary line of the Corporate limits; also asking water drains be made in and around the freight Depot. On motion the petition was referred to Street Committee to report at next meeting.

Petition of Elizabeth Swisher was read, praying to be released from payment of license tax on ferry, on account of heavy expenses in keeping a good road to same. On motion, Elizabeth Swisher and Gunningham & Thompson, keepers of ferry, were exempted from payment of said license tax to the first day of January, 1875, and all past licenses that may be due on said ferries.

Petition of J. J. Moore was read, asking the amount of \$33. be allowed him for entertaining delegates to the Baptist convention on or about the 15th of May 1874.

On motion, the same was allowed.

Petition of W. H. Hatcher and others, was read, praying for measures to be taken in regard to fixing a ditch between block N^o. 154 and 155, to keep the same from overflowing said blocks. On motion, the same was referred to Street Committee with power to act in the premises.

Petition of J. M. Swisher, Dr. C. C. Dewey and others, was read, praying for the passage of an ordinance fully ratifying and confirming the provisions of the charter of the Austin City Rail Road Company.

On motion the petition was granted, and an ordinance N^o. 53, entitled, "An Ordinance granting the right of way within the corporate limits of the City of Austin, to the Austin City Rail Road Company," introduced and read the first time. On motion the rules were suspended, the ordinance read by caption the second time. On motion the rules were further suspended the ordinance read the third time and passed by the following vote: Yeas Ald. S. J. Boardman, W. Bruggenhoff, Ed. Christian, F. Dohme, H. M. Hays, N. B. Mitchell, J. H. Robinson and S. H. Todd. Nays, none.

Report of City Marshal for the month of August 1874, was read received and referred to Police Committee.

Report of City Sexton for the month of August 1874.
was read received and referred to Cemetery Committee
Report of City Physician for the month of August 1874.
was received.

Committee reported adversely on proposition of Dr. A. M.
Taylor in regard taking care of sick paupers at \$1.50
per day. On motion the report was received, adopted
and Committee discharged.

Ald. Mitchell introduced the following resolution which
was unanimously passed.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin,
in Council assembled, That the Cemetery Committee,
Mayor and Sexton be and the same are hereby author-
ized and empowered to have constructed, a suitable
building in the City of Austin Cemetery for the recep-
tion of bodies of deceased paupers until such time as
the same can be properly interred; also to have
a cistern built in connection.

Ald. Robinson introduced the following resolution
which was unanimously adopted.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of
Austin in Council assembled, That the same style
and pattern of uniform as that now worn by the
Police of the City of Galveston be and the same is
hereby adopted for the Police force of the City of
Austin. The cap, belt, buttons, baton and badge are
to be the property of the City of Austin. The coat
and pants are to be purchased by the city and
the price of the same to be deducted from the pay
of each Policeman.

Ald. Bohme offered the following resolution which
was unanimously adopted.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of
Austin, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby
authorized to offer a reward of twenty-five cents each
for all dogs ^{found} running at large in the City of Aus-
tin, which when found, have no collar upon their
necks, and upon which the license tax required by
ordinance, has not been paid. And for all dogs
^{found} running at large in the city, provided said dogs
be delivered at the city dog pound between the
hours of 10 to 11 A. M. and 3 to 4 P. M.; and pro-

vided further, that said logs be either delivered to the Chief of Police, or felled, at some accessible place in the city limits, and that this resolution take effect and be enforced from and after its passage.

An ordinance was introduced, N^o. 54, to be entitled:

"An Ordinance relative to the grading and paving of certain side-walks in the city of Austin."

The ordinance was read the first time. On motion the rules were suspended the ordinance read the second time. On motion the rules were further suspended the ordinance read third time and passed by the following vote: Yeas—Ald. G. S. Boardman, Wm. Brueggerhoff, Ed. Christian, J. Dohme, H. H. Mitchell, N. B. Mitchell, J. H. Robinson and S. H. Trollet. Nays—none.

The Chief of Police offered for the approval of the Board of Aldermen "Rules and regulations governing the Police force of the City of Austin". They were read and on motion unanimously adopted.

Alderman Abbott offered the following resolution, to wit:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, That the following real estate assessment for the year 1874, be changed as follows: block 3, lot 6, to five hundred dollars, improvements thereon one thousand dollars; block 2, lot 4, to five hundred dollars, improvements thereon eight hundred dollars; blocks 157, lots 7 & 8, \$1,500 improvements thereon fifteen hundred dollars; and that said owners of same, be released from payment of the tax for rent for delinquents, provided they pay their taxes within ten days. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was introduced and unanimously passed.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, That privilege is hereby granted to Paul Springer to erect and maintain a shooting gallery upon his premises, he paying a license therefor, and also privilege be granted him to maintain the same on any day of the week, he having erected said shooting gallery at the extreme border of the City limits.

On motion of Ald. Mitchell it was Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin That the Mayor be authorized to issue a duplicate deed of Conveyance lot N^o. 167, One-half to John Holland, and one-half

to Neil McEashin.

On motion of Ald. Mitchell the Street Committee was authorized to have opened and put in, a feasible condition the crossing of — street on the Central Rail Road near the old stands of Davis & Maddox.

Ald. Mitchell moved that the Mayor & Street Committee be authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the filling up the ditches at the foot of the Avenue. Carried.

A bill from Johns & Steffox of \$50.00 for making an iron door to city work-house, was presented, and on motion ordered to be paid.

A bill from Dr. J. M. Linton of \$67.00 for medical services rendered to one Joe Bitters whilst an Officer of this city, with affidavit from C. Marshall W. C. Evans attached thereto, was presented and on motion laid on the table.

On motion the Council adjourned.

Fred Sturging
Recorder

Stated meeting of City Council.
Austin Tex. October 3rd 1874.

His Hon. Mayor J. B. Wheeler in the chair. Present Aldermen. J. T. Boardman, W. Brueggerhoff, S. Osburn, H. M. Metz, N. B. Mitchell, J. H. Robinson, C. Scholz and S. M. Todd. Absent. Aldermen, Ed. Christian and C. Bremond.

On motion the reading of the Minutes now dispensed with. The following Petitions were read and disposed of, to wit. Of H. Hlenert, asking privilege to open a Barroom in Ward 1. Granted.

Pet. of C. C. Johanson, asking privilege to open a Barroom in Ward 2. Granted.

Pet. of J. Harrell, J. Phillips and many property holders of Ward 3, declaring that they are property holders and residents of said Ward in the vicinity of the two African Churches — that said Churches by reason of the conduct of the members thereof, has