

Regular meeting of the City Council, Austin, Texas April 20th 1908 :

Hon F M Maddox, Mayor, presiding ; Roll called :

Present Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moore, Petri,

Redd, Scott, Smith & Wilhelm 12

Absent Aldermen Moreland & Sutor 2

On motion the minutes were approved and recorded by the Clerk, without reading.

Petitions, memorials, etc:

*Petitions etc
Citizens to extend
Water mains*

The Mayor laid before the Council, Petition of Citizens asking that Water Mains be extended on 3rd street, to Chicon street, Read and on motion referred to the Water & Light Commission.

Colorado Hose Co invitation

The Mayor laid before the Council an invitation from Colorado Hose Co No 2, to attend their 37th anniversary on May 1st 1908 ; On motion the invitation was accepted

Reports of City Officers :

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The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the Treasurer for the month of March 1908, which was referred to the Finance Committee, without reading.

Reports of Standing Committees :

*Reports the Committee
Cva, S L Costley*

Alderman Petri for the Committee on Claims & Accounts to whom was referred the petition of S L Costley, asking to be refunded the amount excess for horse sold from pound, presented a report recommending that the petition be granted, on motion the report was adopted .

*Cva Damages
Mrs M B Dial*

Alderman Petri for the Committee on Claims & Accounts to whom was referred the claim of Mrs M B Dial for damages, presented a report recommending the acceptance of a proposition to compromise the Claim . On motion the report was adopted .

*Cva Wheelless
Fees*

Alderman Petri for the Committee on Claims & Accounts to whom was referred the petition of Mrs A Wheelless, asking to have certain pound fees refunded, presented a report recommending that the petition be granted. On motion the report was adopted .

*Cva R A Thompson
Fees*

Alderman Petri for the Committee on Claims & Accounts to whom was referred the petition of R A Thompson asking correction of assessment, presented a report recommending that the petition be granted; On motion the report was adopted .

The Mayor laid before the Council the following communication ;

Austin, Texas April 20, 1908.

To the Honorable The Mayor and City Council, City of Austin, Texas .

Gentlemen :

I was not present at the last meeting of the City Council, but learned the following morning that bills of the Austin Electric Railway Co for \$ 4,50 for street car tickets used by the City Engineers Department on the Citys work had been held out for investigation .

I beg to state that these tickets were purchased under the authority of the Street Committee, and are used by myself and assistants while on the work of the City. They effect an economy in time far greater than their cost . In purchasing the tickets I am not aware that any ordinance or rule of the City has been violated

Respectfully submitted,

G S Iredell, City Engineer

On motion the Council directed the payments of the bills.

The Mayor stated that he recommended the remission of fines assessed against the following named parties, and giving his reasons for the recommendation: viz;

*Communication to
Engineers Street Car
Tickets*

Fines Permitted

.A V Arnold, E Blount & Jesse Scott .On motion the recommendations of the Mayor were adopted .

Resolution introduced by Alderman Haynes regarding Committee Alliance Yard presented by the Alderman Meredith for the special Committee to whom was referred a resolution in regard to the Alliance Yard presented the following report, which was read and adopted .

Alliance Yard.

To the Hon F M Maddox, Mayor, and City Council of the City of Austin. We your special Committee to whom was referred a resolution signed by Alderman Haynes, beg leave to make the following report, that we recommend the adoption of the resolution.

J M Meredith, C J Wilhelm, F A Scott, W C Redd
C B Moreland. Special Committee

Wm Peterson Grant

Alderman Scott for the street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Mrs R E Grant in regard to side walk presented the following report, which was read and adopted .

To the Hon F M Maddox, Mayor, and City Council of the City of Austin. We your Street Committee to whom was referred a petition of Mrs R E Grant owner of the southwest corner of 8th and Colorado streets beg leave to make the following report. After consulting with her Attorney, Mr Gardner Ruggles it was agreed that if the City will grade down the side walks on Colorado and 8th street and relay the curb and cement walk on Colorado street Mrs Grant thereby relinquishes any claim against the City for any further damages that she might have from cutting down this street. With this understanding your Committee recommend that the City Engineer is hereby instructed to grade down the side walks on Colorado and West 8th street, and relay the cement walks and brick walk on the present grade .

Alliance Yard

Alderman Petri moved that the resolution offered by Alderman Haynes in regard to the Alliance cotton yard, and recommended by the special Committee, be adopted, which motion prevailed .

Aldermen Moreland and Sutor entered the Council Chamber .

Wm Peterson Grant

Alderman Scott for the street Committee to whom was referred the petition of G A Seviere asking the Council to repair street in front of his property, asked that they be allowed to return the petition to the Council and that it be referred to the Paving Committee .On motion the request was granted and the petition so referred .

*Petition on Resolution
Hans.
A Birnstheil duplicate
Warrant*

By Alderman Cuneo petition of Mrs Rosa Klein, asking correction of Assessment ;Read and referred to the Committee on Claims & Accounts .

Alderman Haynes moved that the City Clerk be authorized to issue to R Birnstheil a duplicate of Warrant No 41145 for \$ 1,50 issued Feb 20 th 1908, the original having been lost or mislaid. The motion prevailed .

*P. Lee on Council
Ordinance*

Alderman Smith for the Police Committee to whom was referred the petition of Citizens for, and against the extension of the Pound limits in the 7th Ward presented the following report .

Austin April 20/08

To the Hon Mayor & City Council ;

We your Committee on Police to whom was referred the petition of certain Citizens of the 7th ward for the extension of the Pound limits beg leave

to report that we have examined the petitions for and against the extension and find that the petition for the extension has 171 signatures thereto and that the petition against the extension has 296 signatures. Since the report was agreed on other communications have come to this Committee, which are hereto attached, and we refer the whole to the Council without any suggestions

Tom D Smith, J M Meredith W D Miller

On motion Citizens were invited to address the Council on the matter. Alderman Moreland moved that the petition be not granted, Alderman Reid moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to the Ordinance Committee and the Aldermen from the 7th Ward, Alderman Moore moved to table all motions, which motion prevailed. Alderman Crooker then moved that the whole matter be referred to a special Committee of 5, including the Aldermen from the 7th ward, with instructions to report at the next regular meeting, which motion prevailed, and the Mayor appointed Aldermen Crooker, Redd & Armstrong, together with Aldermen Moreland and Moore, as such Committee.

*Open W James Street
S Austin*

Alderman Redd offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted; Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin that the City Attorney be and he is hereby requested to take up with the International & Great Northern Railroad Company the opening up of West James street where said Railroad Company has closed same, and constructing a passable crossing over their right of way on said street

Unfinished business :

Rules Board Health

The Mayor laid before the Council the rules presented by the Board of Health; Alderman Cuneo for the special Committee appointed to investigate the rule regarding Cheese cloths for milking purposes, made a verbal report stating that they had performed that duty and were of the opinion that it was practicable. Alderman Cuneo moved to adopt the 1st (or milk) section Alderman Miller asked that Dairymen present be allowed to address the Council, which motion prevailed. After remarks by several Dairymen, Alderman Moreland moved to strike out that part requiring the use of Cheese Cloth over the mouth of milk vessel, which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Redd, Scott, Wilhelm 7

Nays Aldermen Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Petri, Smith & Sutor 5

The section as amended was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Moreland, Petri, Scott, Smith Sutor & Wilhelm 11

Nays Aldermen Miller & Reid 2

Section 2 was read, Alderman Cuneo moved to amend by adding after the word " Painted " the words " or whitewashed " The amendment was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Reid, Scott, Smith & Sutor 12

Nays Alderman Wilhelm 1

Section 3 was read, Alderman Moreland moved to amend by striking out the word " Screened ", which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller Moreland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sutor & Wilhelm 13

Nays None

. Alderman Miller moved to amend by striking out the word "Concrete", which motion was lost by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Meredith, Miller, Redd, Scott, Wilhelm 5

Nays Aldermen Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Moreland, Petri, Smith & Sutor 7

The Section was then adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Moreland, Petri, Scott, Smith, Sutor 9

Nays Aldermen Armstrong, Miller, Redd & Wilhelm 4

Section 4 was read ; Alderman Redd moved to strike out in line 3 the words " Tree or Four " and insert the word " One ", which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sutor & Wilhelm 13

Section 5 was read and adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sutor & Wilhelm 13

Nays none .

Section 5 was read ,and adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Sutor & Wilhelm 10

Nays Aldermen Cuneo, Scott & Smith 3

On motion the Council adjourned until 8 oclock Wednesday April 22nd 1908

W. J. Johnson
City Clerk .

Adjourned regular meeting of the City Council, Austin, Texas April 22nd 1908

1908 : Hon F M Maddox, Mayor ,presiding ;Roll called :

Present Aldermen Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Smith, & Wilhelm 10

Absent Aldermen Armstrong, Moore, Scott & Sutor 4

The Mayor laid before the Council the rules of the Board of health ;

On motion Dr Matthews was invited to address the Council;

Section 5 was read ,and adopted .

Alderman Redd moved a call of the Council, which was seconded and the Marshal directed to bring in the absentees ;

On motion Alderman Moore was excused on account of sickness.

Alderman Redd moved to suspend the regular order of business and take up any appropriation ordinances, which motion prevailed .

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 40,00 for the purpose of paying the salary of the Keeper of Parks for the month of March 1908; The ordinance was read the second time and passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith & Wilhelm 11

Nays Alderman Cuneo 1

Alderman Armstrong entered the Council chamber and answered to his name

Rules Board Called

Resolution Shoal Creek road

Alderman Armstrong offered the following resolution ;
Whereas Mr George Freum has built a fence cutting off the old road along Shoal creek so much that two wagons cannot pass each other for some distance making it quite a dangerous place, and
Whereas the Messrs Theile have built a barb wire fence along the other side of said road making it still more dangerous in case a horse becomes frightened ;
Therefore be it resolved that the Street Committee have the road worked at once so that two teams can pass each other at that place .On motion the resolution was referred to the Street Committee .

Alderman Armstrong offered the following resolution ,which was read and referred to the Street Committee ;

Street work, 30th & 31st

Whereas, Oakwood Avenue between 30th & 31st streets is in such a condition that whenever it rains the water drains from the street into the basement rooms of Mr J E Sharp residence causing him considerable damage, Therefore be it resolved that the Street Committee be instructed to work the street above mentioned so as to carry the water in its proper place .

On motion the City Attorney was excused from attendance at this session of the Council

On motion the City Clerk was granted leave of absence for two days.

On motion of Alderman Crooker the use of the Council Chamber was granted the Grand Lodge K of P during the session of the Grand Lodge.

City Atty excused
City Clerk 2 days leave
Prof. granted use of Council Chamber during session

Alderman Cuneo offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted;
Be it resolved by the City Council that after this date the Council shall meet in its regular sessions in the City Hall at 8,30 o'clock P M .

Council meetings 8:30 PM

Alderman Meredith moved to reconsider the vote by which the Council adopted Section 1 of the Rules of the Board of Health ,which motion was lost by the following vote :

Rules Board No. 1

Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Petri, Scott, Smith & Sutor 8
Nays Aldermen Armstrong, Miller, Moreland, Redd & Wilhelm 5

Section 7 was read and adopted .

Alderman Wilhelm moved to reconsider the votes by which the Council adopted Sections 1 to 7 of the rules of the Board of Health, which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Smith & Wilhelm 11
Nays Aldermen Scott & Sutor 2

Alderman Petri moved to adopt the rules as reported by a majority of the Committee, which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith & Wilhelm 12
Nay Alderman Sutor 1

By Alderman Moreland an ordinance amending the Pound ordinance ,The ordinance was read the first time and on motion was referred to the special Committee appointed at the last meeting .

Pound Ordinance

By Alderman Haynes an ordinance regulating the placing of Bootblack stands on Congress Avenue & 5th street in the City of Austin, Texas .

Bootblack ordinance

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

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moreland, Petri,

Rodd, Scott, Smith, Sutor & Wilhelm

13

Nays none.

Alderman Scott offered the following resolution which was read and on motion referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the Police Department be and is hereby instructed to see that ordinances are not violated which refer to the throwing of rubbish into the streets, alleys and gutters, or obstructing the streets by the depositing of dirt or material thereon, or in any other ways, or or the violation of any other ordinances pertaining to the public use of highways. also,

Resolved that the Police Department notify the Mayor whenever there is an apparent encroachment on the streets or alleys in the erection of buildings, fences or other obstructions.

Alderman Redd offered the following resolution;

Be it resolved that the Street Committee be authorized to purchase such pass books from the Street Car Co as they deem absolutely necessary for the use of the Street department. The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Haynes, Miller, Moreland, Redd & Scott Meredith 7

Nays Aldermen Armstrong, Cuneo, Petri, Smith, Sutor & Wilhelm 5

On motion the Council adjourned

Geo. S. Johnson
City Clerk.

Enforce

Street Car Co. to purchase tickets for engine