

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas October 5th 1901

From Lewis Hancock, Mayor, presiding.
Present: C. L. Cannon, J. S. Smith, J. H. Jones, J. W. Taylor, J. L. Sims, J. H. Smith, J. H. Powell, C. E. Bell, C. E. Davidson, C. E. Johnson, J. H. Schneider, J. H. Bell, J. H. Stumel, J. H. Townsend and J. H. ...
Absent: Alderman Bealy, Fisher, Polgascov, Saylor and Robin.
On motion of Alderman C. E. Davidson the minutes were approved as printed, without reading.

Petitions

Pet. of W. C. Belcher to put
in drain pipe on 8th St.

By Alderman Shelley, petition of W. C. Belcher for authority to put
in a drain pipe on Eighth street. Read and granted, the work to
be done under the supervision of the street committee and City
Engineer.

Pet. of E. E. Daniels that
excavation work be done on Bond
& Garden Sts

Aldermen Bealy and Fisher entered the Council Chamber and
answered to their names.

By Alderman Glass, petition of E. E. Daniels asking that certain
work be done on Bond and Garden streets. Referred to street committee.

City Officers Reports

The reports of the City Officers for the month of September were
laid before the Council, and on motion of Alderman Sims were
referred to their appropriate committees without reading.

A synopsis of the reports are as follows.
By the Assessor and Collector.

Assessor & Collector

Total collections as follows:	
From General Revenue	\$ 4,385.79
" Interest Sinking Fund Water & Light Bonds	7,060.44
" " " " Old Bonds	659.96
" School Tax	2,406.76

Referred to Finance Committee.

By the City Clerk.

Warrants drawn against the General Fund	\$ 5,753.70
" " " " Savings	5,385.44
" " " " Water & Light	137.50

Referred to Finance Committee.

By the City Treasurer.

Balance on hand, General Fund	\$ 1,349.46
" " " Interest on old Bonds	1,581.73
" " " Savings Fund	993.39
" " " Water & Light Fund	32,603.28
" " " Interest & Sinking Fund Water & Light Bond	1,950.34

Referred to Finance Committee.

By the City Marshal.

John Hancock, funds deposited in Boardman's Bank	\$ 3,500.00
Bond in Cash	165.00
Unpaid bills	142.00
City of Austin, Texas	6.00
City of Austin, Texas	375.00

City Marshal

Worked out \$ 17.00
 Escaped 20.00
 \$ 60.50

Bond fees for September \$ 51.75
 Total number of arrests. 54.

Referred to Police Committee
 By the City Physician.

City Physician

No. of Patients in Hospital Sept. 1 13.
 " " " admitted September 16.
 " " " dismissed September 14
 " " " remaining Oct. 1 15
 " " Visits made Patients September 82
 " " Prescriptions for Patients September 142

No contagious diseases reported.
 Referred to Hospital Committee
 By the City Sexton.

City Sexton

Total number of deaths 8
 White 8
 Colored 0
 Male 7
 Female 1

Referred to Cemetery Committee.
 By the Acting Superintendent Water & Light Plant.

Acting Supt. of W & L Plant

No. of Water tanks August 31 2083
 Added during the month 51
 Lett off during the month 24 27
 Total number September 30, 2110

No Electric Light tanks August 31 854
 " Consumers added during September 26
 " Discontinued during September 1 25
 Total number September 30, 879

Receipts during the month.
 For Water \$ 2044.76
 " Electric Light 1594.71
 " " " 353.36
 Total. \$ 3992.83

Collected and deposited to the credit of the Earnings Fund for sundries 149.65.

Bills and accounts approved during the month:

Salaries \$ 1269.50
 Operating expenses 60.00
 Repairs Electric department 195.00
 Repairs Water " 179.05
 Electric Service Connections 178.75
 Water " " 47.65
 Repairs Electric department 40.60
 " " " 1120
 Total \$ 1411.50

Total amount of bills approved during the month \$ 1411.50

The report was read and ordered filed.

Reports of Standing Committees:

M. S. Rom's report on pet. of T. M. Brown & Co.

The Water and Light Committee, to whom was referred the petition of T. M. Brown & Co., in regard to rates for water and for power, presented their report, recommending that only the regular rates, as given in the ordinance be granted. The report of the committee was adopted.

Claims & Accts Com's report on pet. of R. Davis for damages.

The Committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred the petition of R. Davis for damages for personal injury, presented their report, recommending that the petition be not granted. The report of the Committee was adopted.

Spcl. Com's report on proposition of E. S. Hughes to compromise suit for damages.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the proposition of E. S. Hughes to compromise suit in District Court for damages resulting to him from the construction of the Dam, presented their report, stating that they are of the opinion that it is to the interest of the City to compromise, if it can be done for the sum of \$1450., and submitting an ordinance for that amount and recommending its passage. The report was laid over, to come up with the ordinance under the head of new business.

Purchasing Com's report of award of contract to furnish feed for City Teams & Horses.

Alderman Simm for the purchasing committee, presented a report, stating that they had awarded the contract for furnishing the City with feed of teams and stock at City and County Hospital for the quarter ending December 31st 1896, to Messrs Robinson Bros, and recommending that the Mayor be authorized to enter into contract with Messrs. Robinson Bros, in accordance with the award. The report was adopted.

Ord. of Fire Commissioners report on application of North Austin Fire Co.

The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the Board of Fire Commissioners upon the application of North Austin Fire Company to be admitted into the Fire Department, recommending that they be admitted.

Alderman Simm moved that the petition be granted, and that the company be admitted.

Alderman Roberdeau moved to lay the motion on the table.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Aldermen Beatty, Gorth, Haynes, Roberdeau and Zilmer 5. Nays: Aldermen Fischer, Glass, Horton, Lawless, Simm, St. Ascher, Matt, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Schneider, Shelley, Stumpf, and Townsend 14.

Alderman Gorth moved to refer the matter to the ordinance committee, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas: Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Gorth, Haynes, Lawless, Kitchner, Matt, Roberdeau, Shelley, and Zilmer 10. Nays: Aldermen Glass, Horton, Simm, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Schneider, Stumpf, and Townsend 9.

Statement of W. C. of Tax showing difference in valuation...

The following statement from the Assessor and Collector of Taxes was read and no questions were proposed to the Finance Committee. Statement showing the difference in valuation between the 1895 and 1896 assessments, as compared with the 1895 assessment, for the year 1896. 1895, 1896.

Increased by Board of Equalization		\$ 1,167,056
Total		\$ 3,975,537
Deduct Assessments, 1895		2,863,075
Increase of 1896 over 1895		\$ 1,067,457
Real Estate:		
Assessed for 1895		\$ 5,071,659
Assessed for 1896	\$ 5,641,005	
Increase by Board of Equalization	654,186	
Decrease		\$ 828,141
Increase of Personal Property in 1896 over 1895		\$ 1,067,457
Deduct decrease in Real Estate		143,465
Total increase for 1896		\$ 868,984
Personal Property 1896	\$ 3,975,537	
Real Estate 1896	8,328,141	\$ 12,753,778
Personal Property 1895	\$ 2,863,075	
Real Estate 1895	8,571,659	11,384,734
Increase		\$ 868,984

Respectfully submitted,
 Fred. Stangor, Assessor and Collector.

Austin, Tex., October 5, 1896.

Spil Louis report on claim of the Gould Co for Pumps.

The special committee to whom was referred the claim of the Gould Company for Pumps presented the following report:
 To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen, Your special committee, to whom was referred the claim of the Gould Company for balance due for Pumps, furnished to the City of Austin, beg leave to report that after a careful investigation of said claim it was deemed best by your committee to delay a settlement thereof until an understanding could be reached between the City and said Company touching certain questions which have arisen regarding the terms and requirements of the contract under which said Pumps were furnished, and to that end your committee directed the City Attorney to address a communication to said Company, setting forth the views of the committee regarding a proper construction of said contract. This communication was forwarded, but has not as yet been answered.

J. M. Beatty,
 Lewis Hamden,
 Geo. J. Bendersen,
 A. C. South,
 C. A. Horton.

On motion, the report of the Committee was received and additional time granted.

New Business.

John Noyes read before the Council the report of the committee on the proposed ordinance of the City of Austin to amend the ordinance relating to the regulation of the streets of the City of Austin, and the ordinance relating to the regulation of the streets of the City of Austin, and the ordinance relating to the regulation of the streets of the City of Austin.

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Ord. Appringt 300 to pay Extra Street Labor.

By Aldermen Glass, Horton, Lawless, Stitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Schneider, Shelley, Stunkel, Townsend and Zilmer 13.
Stays Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Ecker, Haynes, Linn and Robendreau 6.
By Alderman Zilmer, An ordinance appropriating the sum of 300 to pay Extra Street laborers.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Ord passed

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Glass, Ecker, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Linn, Stitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robendreau, Rosengren, Schneider, Shelley, Stunkel, Townsend and Zilmer 19.
Stays None.

Ord. Appringt 247.10 to pay Approved Acts out of Earnings Fund

By Alderman Townsend, An ordinance appropriating the sum of 247.10 out of the Earnings Fund to pay Approved Accounts.
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Glass, Ecker, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Linn, Stitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robendreau, Rosengren, Schneider, Shelley, Stunkel, Townsend and Zilmer 19.
Stays None.

Alderman Taylor entered the Council Chamber and answered to his name.

Ord. Appringt 720. to pay per diem of Bd of Equalization

By Alderman Townsend, An ordinance appropriating the sum of 720. to pay the per diem of the Board of Equalization.
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Glass, Ecker, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Linn, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robendreau, Rosengren, Shelley, Stunkel, Taylor, Townsend and Zilmer 18.
Stays Aldermen Stitschke and Schneider 2.

Ord Appringt 1797.76 to pay Approved Acts

By Alderman Townsend, An ordinance appropriating the sum of 1797.76 to pay Approved Accounts.
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Glass, Ecker, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Linn, Stitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robendreau, Rosengren, Schneider, Shelley, Stunkel, Taylor, Townsend and Zilmer 20.
Stays None.

Ord. Appringt 38.00 to pay Extra Sanitary Labor

By Alderman Glass, An ordinance appropriating the sum of 38.00 to pay Extra Sanitary laborers for the month of October.
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Glass, Ecker, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Linn, Stitschke, Platt, Powell, Redd, Robendreau, Rosengren, Schneider, Shelley, Stunkel, Taylor, Townsend and Zilmer 20.
Stays None.

Ord. Appringt 100.00 to pay Approved Acts

By Alderman Glass, An ordinance appropriating the sum of 100.00 to pay Approved Accounts.
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Ord. Taylor resolution regard
to Sprinkling Streets.

Consider the matter of sprinkling the main streets and avenues of the City, to ascertain the cost of sprinkling carts, to find out the number of carts required to sprinkle the main thoroughfares, and make such recommendations as they may deem advisable, at the next regular meeting of this Council.

The Mayor appointed the following special committee provided for by the resolution: Aldermen Taylor, Hayes, Sanders, Shelley and Townsend.

On motion of Alderman Finn the Council adjourned.

J. W. Johnson
City Clerk.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Austin, Hon. Lewis Hancock, mayor, presiding.

Present - Aldermen Glass, Goeth, Platt, Powell, Read, Robertson, Rosen, Schaefer, Shelby, Stamp, Townsend, Taylor and Tobin - 17.

Absent - Aldermen Beatty, Flecher, Glauz and Johnson - 5.

On motion of Alderman Robertson the minutes were approved as printed, with-

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Schaefer, petition of W. Becher for authority to put in a drain pipe on Elchib street, Read and Goeth.

By Alderman Beatty and Flecher, petition of the council chamber and answered their claims.

By Alderman Glass - Position of E. Daniels asking that certain streets be laid out and graded.

The report of the city officers for the month of October were laid before the council, and on motion of Alderman Glauz the same were approved.

By the assessor and collector - To collect on delinquent taxes.

Interest and light bonds - \$1,200.00

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES. The water and light committee, which was referred the petition of T. M. Davis for power, presented their report, recommending that the rates for water be increased, as given in the ordinance, be adopted.

NEW BUSINESS. The mayor laid before the council the report of the committee on the petition of E. S. Hughes for authority to lay a drain pipe on Elchib street, Read and Goeth.

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AUSTIN DAILY STATE...

Goeth, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Nitcheke, Platt, Powell, Read, Robertson, Rosen, Schaefer, Shelby, Stamp, Townsend, Taylor and Tobin - 17.

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