

Regular meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas Feb 1st 1904
Hon R. C. White, Mayor presiding
Roll Called.

Present Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken
Maddox Miller Moore Nitche Redd Schneider
Shelley Shumate Smith & Ullit 13
Absent none

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded by the clerk, without reading.

Petitions, memorials etc.

By Alderman Moore - Petition of Citizens of the 7th Ward, asking to have Cock pit removed from that ward.
Read and on motion referred to the Police Committee

Reports of City Officers

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the Assessor & Collector, the clerk, the Physician, the Sexton and the Engineer for the month of January 1904, and that of the Marshal for Dec 1903. Which were on motion referred to their appropriate Committees without reading.

Reports of Standing Committees

Alderman Shumate for the Purchasing Committee made a verbal report stating that they had awarded the contract for furnishing coal at the City Hall and for the steam boiler to A. J. Zienke Co.
On motion the action of the Committee was ratified

New Business

By Alderman Shumate An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$480.00 for the purpose of paying the salary of the keeper of Peace Park & other public Parks of the City.
The ordinance was read the first time and on motion the rule was suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitche Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Smith & Ullit 14

Nays None.

The ordinance was read the second time Alderman Crooker moved to strike out in the caption and body of the ordinance the words "Four hundred" and "year 1904" and insert in lieu of the last the words "Months of Jan & Feb 1904". which motion prevailed and the ordinance as amended was passed, under suspension of the rule by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitche Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Smith & Ullit 14

Nays None.

Petitions etc
Citizens - 7th Ward to remove coal pit

Reports City Officers

Reports Standing Committees

Purchasing for Coal

New Business

Salary Keeper of Parks

Park Committee
City Atty to investigate
street to Peace Park

Alderman Nitschke moved that the Park
Committee and City Attorney be directed to investigate
and learn if the City has a title to the street
leading from West 12th Street to Peace Park, on the
east side of Shoal Creek, which motion prevailed
By Alderman Moore an ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$230⁰⁰ for the purpose of purchasing a
patrol wagon and horse etc. The ordinance was
read the first time

Pauses very on
ordinance purchase

Alderman Nitschke moved that it be referred to the
Police Committee, with instructions to report on same
instanter, which motion prevailed -

Report Police Com on

Alderman Shelley for the Police Committee whom
was referred an ordinance appropriating the sum
of \$200⁰⁰ for the purpose of purchasing a patrol wagon
etc, presented a report recommending the passage
of the ordinance, with amendment. On motion
the report of the Committee was adopted.

Special Committee
to examine report
on conditions of
opera houses & other
buildings in case
escaped.

Alderman Crocker moved to suspend the rules and
place the ordinance on its second reading, which motion
was lost by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Hume Macken Maday
Miller Moore Shelley Shumate Smith 9
Nays Aldermen Hayden Nitschke Todd Schneider Witt 5

Alderman Nitschke offered the following resolution,
Whereas it is important to the public safety that all
opera houses and other places of common resort
should be so regulated as to permit of easy escape
in case of fire; and, whereas recent fires in other
cities of the country have caused uneasiness in this
City as to the safety of such buildings; therefore,
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin,
that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized and
requested to appoint a special Committee of three
Citizens and three Aldermen to examine into, and
report on, the condition of all opera houses and
other places of public resort in this City

The resolution was adopted and the Mayor appointed
the following as the Committee provided for in same,
Viz. Aldermen Nitschke Crocker and Moore and
Messrs. Geo. J. Hooper & Geo. Fiegel

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

No more
at least until
specification
is made

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin,
that hereafter no appropriation shall be made for any
bridge work, or other structural work, for the City, unless,
and until plans and specifications for such work

shall have been drawn by the City Engineer, approved by the proper Committee, and filed in the office of the City Clerk.

To Repair Protection Hall

By Alderman Crooker An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$350.00 for the purpose of repairing the Hall of Protection Hose Co #3 - The ordinance was read the first time and on motion was referred to the Fire and Finance Committees

Spur or switch track for Austin Dam & Sub RR Co.

By Alderman Moore An ordinance authorizing the Austin Dam and Suburban Railways Co. to construct maintain and operate certain spur tracks on fourth street in this City -

The ordinance was read the first time, and on motion the rule was suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Padd Shelley Shumate Smith & Ulich 13

Nays Alderman Schneider 1

The ordinance was read the second time

Alderman Shelley offered the following amendment which was read and adopted.

Amend by extending spur on south side of 4th street so as to pass in front of or onto lots 11 & 12 in block 31, and further that no empty cars be permitted to remain on any of said sidings longer than twenty four hours

The ordinance was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Padd Shelley Shumate Smith & Ulich 13

Nays Alderman Schneider 1

Petition to open East 4th

By Alderman Moore Petition of Citizens to open east 4th street immediately south and east of the oil mill property of Austin Oil Manufacturing Co.

Read and on motion referred to the Street Committee

\$400.00 for extra street labor & teams

By Alderman Nitschke An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$400.00 for the purpose of paying for extra street labor & teams - The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Padd Schneider Shelley Shumate Smith & Ulich 14

Nays none.

\$600. To repair sidewalk on Main St. from 1st to 2nd Sts

By Alderman Nitschke An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$600.00 for the purpose of improving and maintaining certain streets of the City -

The ordinance was read the first time and on

Motion the rule was suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Hume Wacker Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Smith & Uelit 13

Nays Alderman Haynes 1

The ordinance was read the second time and a motion made to suspend the rule and place it on its third reading which motion prevailed by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Wacker Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Shelley Shumate Smith & Uelit 10

Nays Aldermen Haynes Hume & Redd 3

Not Voting Alderman Schneider 1

The ordinance was read the third time

Alderman Hume moved to amend same by striking out in the caption and body of the ordinance word and figure "six" and inserting in lieu thereof the figure and word "three" which motion was lost by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Haynes Hume & Redd 3

Nays Aldermen Crooker Wacker Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Schneider Shelley Shumate Smith & Uelit 10

The ordinance was then passed by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Wacker Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Smith & Uelit 11

Nays Aldermen Haynes & Hume 2

\$260 To pay Salaries Local Engineer & Inspector Storm Sewer

By Alderman Nitschke an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$260.00 for the purpose of paying the salaries of the local Engineer & Inspector of storm sewer

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

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Wacker Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Smith & Uelit 13

Nays none

\$100 Fredricksburg Road

By Alderman Redd An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$100.00 for the purpose of completing work now being done on the Fredricksburg road

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

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Wacker Maddox Miller Moore Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Smith & Uelit 13

Nays none

\$200 - Culvert 107th St.

By Alderman Shelley an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$200.00 for the purpose of extending the Culvert of the south side of 107th Street

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

Yeas Alderman Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox
Miller Moore Vitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Smith
Ulitt 13

nays none.

975-Salary of Policeman

By Alderman Shelley an ordinance appropriating the
sum of \$75.00 for the purpose of paying the salary of
Special Mounted Policeman for the month of Jan'y 1904
The ordinance was read the first time and passed under
suspension of the rules by the following vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox
Miller Moore Vitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Smith Ulitt 13
nays none

975-Salary of City Clerk
for month

By Alderman Maddox an ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$75.00 for the purpose of paying the salary of an
Asst to the City Clerk for the month ending Jan'y 25th 1904
The ordinance was read the first time and passed
under suspension of the rules by the following vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Haynes Hume Macken Maddox
Miller Moore Vitschke Redd Shelley Shumate Smith Ulitt 13
nays none.

Resolutions looking to
establishing market
square.

Alderman Haynes offered the following resolution
Whereas the City stands in imperative need of some place
to be designated as a market place for wood, hay and
Country produce; therefore,
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that
the Mayor appoint a Committee of three members
of the Council to thoroughly investigate the matter and
report result to the Council at the next regular meeting
The resolution was adopted and the Mayor appointed
Aldermen Haynes Hume and Smith as such
Committee

On motion the Council adjourned
Jno. C. Johnson
City Clerk