

Regular meeting of the City Council

Austin Tex. Feb. 15th 1886.Hon J W Robertson Mayor. Presiding
Roll Call.Roll
CallPresent Aldermen Pillow, Anderson,
Brush, Schubert, Caldwell, Eissen, Warren,
Wartham, Crocker, Odell, Corwin, DeGress,
Cummings, Walster and Jones - 15Absent Aldermen Schneider, Metz,
Campbell, Holman, and Crain - 5.Petition J.S.
Means.Petition from J.S. Means for permission
to open a shooting gallery was granted, provided
the ordinances of the city were complied with.
Aldermen Schneider and Campbell came in.Petition Lane
Star ChapterAlderman Caldwell presented a petition from
Lane Star Chapter No. 6 Royal Arch masons requesting
the City Council to instruct the City Assessor and
Collector of taxes to cancel taxes assessed
against the property of this Chapter because
it is used exclusively for the purposes of
benevolence and charity and is not taxable
under the laws of this state. Referred to
the finance Committee and to the City Attorney.Petition to
change location
hydrant.A petition from citizens of the tenth ward
asking the Council to change the ordinance
instructing the City Water Company to construct
a main from Red River Street on East
Water Street to East Avenue, was referred
to the water & Gas Committee.To lease block
59Petition from W.H. Tobin to lease Block
59 and south of East Pine street etc, was
referred to the Street Committee.City Engineer
Carter repairA petition from the officers of the City fire
Department and the fire Committee, requesting
the Council to instruct the Street Committee
and City Engineer to remedy certain dangerous
defects on the bridge over the gutter on
West Hickory Street where said street
crosses the Avenue, and also the approaches
to the new engine house. The Street Committee
and City Engineer were instructed to comply with
the petition.

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To see Petition from the board of fire Commissioners
Condemned relating to the sale of condemned hose etc,
hose etc. was referred to the fire Committee.

Petition from East Austin Hose Co. No. 4
E. A. Hose Co. 4 approved by the Austin fire department and
request admittance fire department Committee of the City Council
requesting admittance into the Austin Fire
Department was read, and on motion granted.

deliver hose cart Alderman De Gress moved that a hose cart
be turned over to the East Austin Hose Co.
No. 4. Adopted.

grade mesquite
st. Alderman Schuber, for the Street Committee,
reported adversely on An Ordinance offered
by Alderman De Gress providing for the
grading and putting in proper condition Mesquite
Street.

Alderman De Gress moved that action on
the report be postponed. Carried.

adversely on
ord. to build
bridge. Alderman Schuber, for the Street
Committee, reported unfavorably on An Ordinance
appropriating \$3000.00 for building a bridge
over Walker Creek where Willow Street
crosses the same, and recommended that
it do not pass. The report was adopted.

Favorably petition
J.E. Muter for pay Alderman Schuber, for the Street Committee
reported favorably on the petition from
J.E. Muter, for back pay for time lost
while sick laid over.

R.R. to erect
lights. Alderman Schuber, for the Street Committee,
submitted the following report on
An Ordinance requiring Steam Car
railways to erect lamps on certain streets
in the City of Austin:

To Mayor and City Council
of the City of Austin - Gentlemen - We
the undersigned Com. would most respectfully
beg leave to report that we have had
the same under consideration and think
it would be an injustice to the Syndicate
to exact from them alone, and not
from others also, and they claim

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that they do not run in the night.
We therefore respectfully recommend that the
Ordinance do not pass.

J. Schuber
Chairman

The report was adopted.

adversely to
lease mkt. shed

Alderman Corwin, for the Committee
On Markets reported as follows:

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Hen J W Robertson
Mayor.

Your Committee On Markets
to whom was referred the petition of Barnes
and Plume asking to be permitted to lease
the shed north of the market house
to be used for a Carpenter Shop. having
fully considered the matter are of the
opinion that in view of the fact that an
Ordinance has been passed requiring Vendors
of Wood, hay, and poultry, from wagons to
stand only at public squares in the City,
there will probably be a chance in the near
future to use or lease the market house
shed for legitimate market purposes and
therefore recommend that the petition
be not granted.

Dennis Corwin
Chairman.

The report was adopted.

The following report was submitted to the
Council:

Printing Contract

To the Honorable Mayor and Board
Gentlemen:

Your Committee On
Printing have examined the two bids of the
Statesman and Dispatch for printing the
Ordinances and whatever other printing
required by the Council. We would recommend
the awarding of the Contract to the
Statesman at the following prices:
Five (5) Cents per line for the first

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insertion and two (2) Cents per line for each subsequent insertion.

We would ask the City Attorney to draw up the Contract and have same duly signed and acknowledged.

The petition of Van Boeckmann which was referred to your Committee asking their bid for job printing be received in place of Warner & Draughons your Committee would say we did not entertain their bid at all as we considered they did not comply with their Contract with the City for 1885.

Respectfully Submitted

W. B. Walker

A. Giesen

B. S. Pillow.

The report was adopted by the following Vote:

Yeas Aldermen Pillow, Anderson, Brush, Campbell, Caldwell, Giesen, Crocker, Walker and Jones - 9;

Nays Aldermen Schneider, Schuber, Warren, Northam, Odell, Corwin, DeGress, Cummings - 8.

Water Co.
bill

The following report was presented by the Committee on Water and Gas;

Hon. J. W. Robertson

Your Committee recommend that the sum of \$1847.50 be allowed the City Water Company as an offset against their taxes for the year 1886.

C. E. Anderson

T. J. Campbell

J. Cummings

The report was laid over.

Alderman Pillow introduced the following resolution which was adopted:

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W. Pease St.

+ Side-walks

Resolution

Resolved that the Street Committee

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be and are hereby directed to wait upon Mr Jas H. Raymond and fix the width of sidewalks of West Pecon Street from West Avenue to Western City limits and obtain from him a deed to the city for sidewalks on said West Pecon Street.

Alderman Brush offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed by the Mayor to revise and amend the ordinances naming the streets of the city and to name such streets as are not named

Rename Streets

That said Committee shall be composed of one Alderman from the 1st and 2nd wards. One Alderman from the 3rd & 4th wards. One Alderman from the 5th & 6th wards. One Alderman from the 7th & 8th wards and one Alderman from the 9th and 10th wards.

That said Committee shall report at next regular meeting.

Committee to

rename st

The following named aldermen were appointed as such Committee:

- 1 & 2 Wards - Pillow
- 3 & 4 " Brush
- 5 & 6 " Giesen
- 7 & 8 " Corwin
- 9 & 10 " Jones

Brush Chairman

City Engr to Define Center Laurel st

Alderman Corwin offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved that the City engineer be and is hereby instructed to locate by a survey of the adjacent lots and define on the ground the center of Laurel Street from Lampasas Street east that being the length of cut lot No. 10 Division "D".

Alderman Odell offered the following named Ordinance: An Ordinance

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\$2940.00 to appropriate the sum of \$2940.00 for the
pay Feb. roll pay roll for Feb 1886.

Motions were made to suspend the
rules and place the ordinance on its
second and third reading, and that the
Ordinance now pass, all of which was
adopted by the following vote: yeas Aldermen
Schneider, Pillow, Anderson, Brush,
Campbell, Schuber, Caldwell, Giesen, Warren,
Northam, Crooker, Odell, Corwin,
DeGress Cummings, Walker and Jones - 17

Alderman Crooker offered an ordinance
appropriating \$10,000.00 for the purpose of
making improvements on the streets of
the City.

A motion to suspend the rules
and place the ordinance on its second
reading was adopted by the following
vote:

Yeas Aldermen Schneider,
Pillow, Anderson, Brush, Campbell,
Schuber, Caldwell, Giesen, Warren,
Northam, Crooker, Odell, Corwin, DeGress
Cummings, Walker and Jones - 17.

The Ordinance was then read a
second time and a motion to suspend
the rules and place the ordinance on
its third reading was adopted by the
following vote: yeas Aldermen Schneider,
Anderson, Campbell, Schuber, Caldwell,
Giesen, Warren, Northam, Crooker,
Odell, Corwin, DeGress, Cummings,
Walker and Jones - 15.

Yeas Alderman Pillow and Brush - 2.
Alderman DeGress moved that the mayor
have the clerk to so change the "stand"
Ordinance now being published in the
Daily Statesman that the language will
be grammatically correct and that a corrected
copy of the ordinance be republished in the Daily
Statesman. Carried.

Yeas

Change "stand"
ord. to read

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Suspend
rules rejected A motion was made to suspend the rules and take up the Ordinance appropriating \$200.00 to repair the Culvert on West Pecan street between Crockett and Blanco sts. The motion was lost by the following Vote: Yeas Aldermen Schneider, Pillow, Anderson, Brush, Caldwell, Giesen, and Odell - 7.
Nays Aldermen Campbell, Schuber, Warren, Wertham, Crooker, Corwin, DeGress, Cummings, Walker and Jones - 10

Ord. amending
license tax
ord
Passed: Alderman Odell offered an Ordinance amending Section 6, of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance levying a license tax for the year 1886 on the keepers of livery and feed Stables and the owners and proprietors of hacks Omnibuses and other vehicles not connected with livery or feed Stables." Motions were made to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on its second and third reading and that the Ordinance now pass, all of which was adopted by the following Vote: Yeas Aldermen Schneider, Pillow, Anderson, Brush, Campbell, Schuber, Caldwell, Giesen, Warren, Wertham, Crooker, Odell, Corwin, DeGress, Cummings, Walker and Jones - 17.

The following named Ordinances were referred to the Committee on Police:

Ords. disturb
peace.

An Ordinance defining and punishing disturbances of the peace.

Dogs.

An Ordinance regulating the running at large of dogs in the City of Austin.

Morals.

An Ordinance relating to public morals and decency.

Dance houses

An Ordinance regulating dance houses and exhibitions in the City of Austin.

Interfer officers

An Ordinance to prohibit any interference with officers of the City of Austin.

Scavengers.

An Ordinance regulating the work of night Scavengers in the City of Austin.

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- Lighted lamps on Vehicles. ^{licensed} An Ordinance requiring lighted lamps upon ^{licensed} Vehicles.
- animals running at large. An Ordinance prohibiting the running at large of animals within the City of Austin. and providing for the sale of the same.
- The following named Ordinances were referred to the Committee on Ordinances:
- Gambling. An Ordinance prohibiting gambling in the City of Austin.
- Bar-rooms. An Ordinance regulating bar-rooms Saloons, etc. in the City of Austin.
- Art. 288 amend. An Ordinance, amending article 288. (19) of the revised Ordinances of the City of Austin.
- Taking up animals. An Ordinance prohibiting the taking up and using any animals belonging to another.
- Amending art. 289. An Ordinance, amending articles 289 (20) of the revised Ordinances of the City of Austin.
- Sabbath. An Ordinance, prohibiting Sabbath breaking in the City of Austin.
- Amend. art. 224. An Ordinance, amending article 224 (49) of the revised Ordinances of the City of Austin.
- Amend. art. 420. An Ordinance, amending article 420 (3) of the revised Ordinances of the City of Austin.
- amend art. 691. An Ordinance amending article 691 (2) of the revised Ordinances of the City of Austin.
- The Ordinances, named below, were referred to the Committee on Sanitation and Sewers:
- Diseased animals. An Ordinance, prohibiting diseased animals running at large within the City of Austin.
- Unwholesome food. An Ordinance, prohibiting the sale of unwholesome food in the City of Austin.
- Dead animals. An Ordinance regulating the removal and burial of dead animals within the City of Austin.
- \$6,000 to purchase Canal Sewer. An Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$6,000 for the purpose of purchasing the sewer now owned by J. A. Brush.
- Nuisances. An Ordinance defining nuisances, and providing for the prevention and abatement of the same.

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And to promote the health, cleanliness and welfare of the City of Austin, and prescribing penalties for violation of the same.

The following named Ordinances were referred to the Committee on streets alleys etc:

Riding & driving. An Ordinance regulating riding and driving in the streets of Austin.

Bill posters. An Ordinance regulating bill-posters in the city of Austin.

Animals in droves. An Ordinance prohibiting the driving of animals in droves through the streets in the City of Austin.

Jack's, Steerion, bull. An Ordinance prohibiting the hitching of any Steerion, Jackass, or bull in any street or alley, or keeping the same for service in certain places in the City of Austin.

The Ordinances named below were referred to the Committee on fire department:

Wooden buildings. An Ordinance regulating the building, repairing and removal of wooden buildings in the City of Austin.

Hay-storage. An Ordinance regulating the storages of hay etc, within the fire limits of the City of Austin.

Fire limits. An Ordinance fixing the penalty for violating the Ordinances regulating the fire limits in the City of Austin.

The following named Ordinance was referred to the Committee on markets:

Auctioneers. An Ordinance regulating Auctioneers in the City of Austin.

Sale of property. Alderman Giesen offered An Ordinance authorizing the sale of certain property belonging to the City of Austin.

Motions were made to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on its second and third reading and that the Ordinance do now pass, all of which were adopted by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Schaeider, Pillow, Anderson, Brush, Campbell, Schuber, Caldwell, Giesen, Warren, Northam, Crocker, Odell, Corwin, DeGress, Cummings, Walker and Jones - 17.

Passed.

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Alderman Cummings presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Marshal detail
officer when

Resolved that an officer be detailed by the City Marshal when called upon to investigate Complaints made in regard to places in the City that may have offensive alleys Streets or any place that may be reported in bad Sanitary Condition whose duty it shall be to report to the proper authority to have the matter remedied.

Ord. repair
W. Pecan St.
Culvert

A motion to place on its third reading the Ordinance appropriating \$200.00 to repair the Culvert on West Pecan Street between Crockett and Blance Streets was adopted, and on motion the Ordinance was tabled.

Pet. J. E. Meter
granted.

On motion of Alderman Crooker the petition from J. E. Meter for pay for time lost in Sept and Oct on account of sickness, was granted.

Ord. to build
Culvert

The Ordinance providing for building an Arched bridge on College Avenue and Nueces Streets was taken up on its second reading, and on motion of Alderman Crooker was tabled.

Ord. to grade
Mesquite St.

Alderman DeGress asked permission of the Council to withdraw the Ordinance offered by himself providing for the grading and putting in proper condition Mesquite Street. Permission was granted.

Horse R.R.

An Ordinance regulating the Construction and operation of horse railways in the City of Austin and providing a penalty for violation of same, was taken up on its second reading.

Amendment.

Alderman Brush moved to amend section six by striking out "six" after "within" and inserting "two". The amendment was lost and on motion the Ordinance was passed, by a rising vote of 17. On motion the Council adjourned.

Passed

Milton Morris City Clerk