

A Called meeting of the City Council.

Austin Tex May 27, 1886.

Hon J. W. Robertson, Mayor presiding.

Roll Call: Present - Aldermen Campbell, Schuber, Caldwell, Northam, Odell, Wellmer, DeGress Walker - 8.

Absent - Aldermen Schneider, Metz, Pillow, Anderson, Brush, Giesen, Warren, Crocker, Helman, Cummings, Ervin, Jones - 12.

Alderman Walker moved that a call of the Council be made.

The motion was adopted, and the Marshal sent after the absentees.

Aldermen Brush, Cummings, Schneider and Jones came in and answered to their names.

Alderman DeGress moved to suspend the Call. Adopted.

Mayor Robertson stated the object of the meeting was to act on the Ordinances reported by the Compilers, and to act on any other matters that may be submitted to the Council.

Alderman DeGress moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution instructing the printing Committee and Mayor to provide for the printing of the revised Ordinances of the city was passed.

The motion prevailed and Alderman DeGress moved to amend by striking out "200" Copies, interleaved and bound in law sheep, and inserting "60". The amendment was adopted, and the resolution put on its final passage and carried.

Alderman Cummings presented the following resolution: Resolved That the Mayor is hereby authorized to obtain the deed to that part of the City Cemetery recently donated by Mr E. Bremend, and the City Sexton is instructed to have the lots laid off in a proper manner, and that the City assessor make sales to those desiring lots for Cemetery purposes.

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Alderman ~~Cott~~ Caldwell moved to table the resolution. Not seconded.

A motion to adopt the resolution was then made and carried.

Alderman Giesen came in.

Alderman DeGress introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the mayor be and he is hereby directed not to make a deed to any person in the City Cemetery who already owns a quarter of a block therein.

Alderman DeGress introduced the following named Ordinance, which was read and laid over:

An Ordinance appropriating two thousand dollars to purchase feed for city teams.

Alderman Crocker came in.

Mr Gardner Puggles, Codifier of the revised Civil Ordinances of the City, came forward and proceeded to lay before the Council titles five to twenty inclusive.

They were considered and received, after the changes that are mentioned below, were made.

Alderman Cummings moved that the following proviso be inserted in chapters 2 and 6 of titles 5 and 10: Provided, that no person, except residents of Travis County, shall be admitted into the City and County Hospital, except in cases of emergency. No objection.

The following amendment to title 5 Chapter 4, was inserted:

It shall be the duty of the City assessor & Collector to take the Scholastic Census of the City of Austin, annually, under the direction of the board of trustees of the public Schools, and he shall file reports of the same as required by law; and for this service he shall be entitled to receive the compensation provided by the State of Texas, and such compensation as the board of trustees may allow, in addition to

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the salary allowed by the city.

An amendment to title 5, Chapter 8, requiring the city engineer to keep a record of all grades established, was offered by Alderman Cummings, and adopted.

The following amendment to title 5, Chapter 4, was inserted:

The City Clerk shall provide and keep in his office a book, containing an itemized list of all personal property of every character belonging to the city, and the same shall be so kept as at all times to exhibit the exact condition of such property.

Each officer of the city shall be required to give his receipt to the city clerk for all property under his charge or used by him, and he shall be responsible for the same, and shall return the same to the city or to his successor, when his term of office expires. Each officer or person having property of the city in his possession or under his charge shall at once report the same in writing to the city clerk.

Alderman DeGress offered the following proviso to title 5, Chapter 8:

Provided, That the aldermen of each ward may at any time call on the city engineer for one team to perform work in their ward, and work to be done shall be pointed out by the aldermen of their respective wards.

A vote by the Council on a motion to table the amendment stood 7 to 7. Mayor Robertson voted in the affirmative, and the amendment was laid on the table.

Alderman Brush moved to amend title 16, Chapter 1, by providing that names of streets shall be placed on street lamps.

Adopted.

Alderman DeGress moved to amend title 13, which

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enumerates those Causes which subject the Sergeant or any policeman to immediate suspension or removal, so as to include the entering of a bawdy house, except in discharge of his duty, among such Causes. No objection was made. The following amendment was inserted in title 10, Chapter 2:

Provided, That so long as the city remains in exclusive charge of the City and County hospital, the same shall be under control of the Committee on hospital of the City Council, and they shall manage the same under the same rules as are herein prescribed for the government of such hospital by a board of trustees.

An Ordinance to adopt and establish the revised Civil Ordinances of the City of Austin, was read and a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on its second reading was defeated by the following vote: Yeas - Aldermen Schneider, Brush, Campbell, Schuber, Caldwell, Giesen, Wartham, Crooker, Odell, Wellmer and Jones. Total, 11. Nays - Aldermen DeGress, Cummings and Walker. Total, 3.

A motion made to adjourn was voted on, and resulted in a tie vote, 7 to 7. His Honor voted in the affirmative, and the Council was declared adjourned.

Milton Morris
City Clerk.