

A Regular Meeting of the City Council.

Austin Tx. August 2, 1886.
 Hon J. W. Robertson, Mayor, presiding.

Roll
 Call

Roll Call - Present: Aldermen Anderson, Bush, Campbell, Cummings, DeGress, Giesen, Jones, Odell, Walker, Warren, Wellmer, Wartham - 12.
 Absent - Aldermen Caldwell, Crooker, Erwin, Helman, Metz, Pillow, Schneider, Schuber - 8.

Minutes
 adopted.

Aldermen Crooker, Schuber, and Helman Came in.
 On motion, the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Council were adopted as printed.

Claim of J. W. Gassaway

Alderman Walker presented a Claim from J. W. Gassaway for \$74, for services as a secret officer during a portion of the months of April and May, 1886.
 Laid over.

To buy pest
 grounds.

A Communication from Chas. A. Newning, stating that he desired to purchase the City's interest in land on the south side of the river, known as the pest grounds, was read and referred to the Committee on Hospital.

Treasurer's report
 July -

Treasurer's report for the month of July.

Balance on hand June 30		\$23,750.65
Received from Assessor & Collector on account		
Ad valorem tax	\$2,542.05	
Recd. on acct. License tax	457.73	
" " " general fund	483.35	
" " " Cemetery "	63.00 -	3,546.13
" " " Sale old Cemetery fence		<u>21.25</u>
		\$27,318.03

Credits.

City Cemetery paid Warrants.	\$20.85
Greenwood Cemetery, " "	800.00
General fund paid Warrants	10,663.74 - 11,484.59
Cash balances July 31.-	
City Cemetery	\$538.45
Back debt fund	172.73
General fund	9,922.26 - 10,633.44
Interest fund in New York	<u>5,200.00</u>
	\$27,318.03

Unappropriated balances -
 General fund \$5,966.38

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Referred to Committee on finance and revenue.

Clerk's warrant
statement: Clerk's statement of warrants issued during the month and quarter ending July 31, 1886, fixes the amount at \$11,624.36 and \$34,752.76, respectively.

Referred to Committee on finance and revenue.

Assessor & Collector's report of Collections made during quarter ending July 31, exclusive of school tax, \$23,781.53. School tax collected during same period, \$6,358.05.

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Sections report
report July: Section's report for the month of July:
Total deaths 46; white, 31; Colored, 14; Mexican, 1; male, 28; female, 18; Children, 20; remains from Travis County, 8.

Physicians report
report July: Referred to Cemetery Committee.
Physicians' report for month of July:
Number of patients in hospital July 1, 13; discharged during month, 8; admitted 13; died, 2; now in hospital, 16; Visits made during month 188; prescriptions written, 152; Cases Scarlet fever reported during month, 20; deaths, 1.
Considerable sickness in the city.

Referred to Committee on hospital.

Marshal's report
report July: Marshal's report for month of July:
Cash Statement -
Cash collected for fines and costs for month of July \$543.85
Cash collected for fines & costs for month of June 4.20
" " from County Court for appealed Cases 276.10
" " " Sales of City pound 10.25
Total \$834.40

Total number of arrests, 85.

Referred to Committee on police.

Mayor's report: Mayor Robertson submitted a statement of the financial condition of the city at this time.

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The report shows an actual Cash balance this date (August 2, -86) of \$7,112.19

Estimated Income to March 1, 1887, including	
The Cash balance on hand	\$47,869.53
Estimated liabilities to same period	\$45,750.00

In the estimate of expenses the cost of improving streets is not included except the feed of teams & pay of drivers.

Laid over till printed.

Claims of Firebaugh

Case Mayor

and

J. F. McKinley

The Committee on streets, alleys, etc., reported adversely on the Claims of Dr. H. Firebaugh and Carl Mayer for costs of replacing etc. water pipes interfered with by city street gang; also on petition and claim of J. F. McKinley for damages to his person, buggy and horse, caused by colliding with a team belonging to the City. No action was taken on the reports.

Police Comtee.

report on
charges

The Committee on police reported that they had examined the marshal's report for the month of June and found it correct. Action deferred. The same Committee, to whom was referred the charges against marshal Luey and Policemen Gibson and O'Banion, by Dr. J. Leader, reported, stating that the charge against marshal Luey had been withdrawn, and that as articles 330 and 332, inclusive, of the City ordinances, placed the policemen entirely under control of the mayor and marshal, they had no authority to investigate the charges. No action was taken on the report.

Aldermen Schneider and Caldwell came in.

Ord. to close

alley in block

52 Div. D.

Alderman Northam presented an Ordinance authorizing the owners of block No. 52, in division D, Graham's addition to the City of Austin, to close the alley running from north to south through said block, and moved that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance placed on its second reading, which was adopted by the following vote: Yeas - Aldermen Anderson, Brush, Caldwell, Campbell, Crocker, Cummings, DeBress, Giesen, Holman, Jones, Odell, Schneider, Schuber, Walker, Warren, Wellmer Northam - 17.

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Alderman Cummings introduced a resolution as follows:

Marshal to
remove
nuisances

"Resolved, That whenever a nuisance exists, that the City Marshal shall have the authority to demand of the City engineer and Chairman Street Committee, whose duty it shall be to have the matter attended to at once, by City teams if necessary."

amended.

Alderman Schuber moved to amend by striking out "Chairman Street Committee" and inserting "Street Commissioner". No objection.

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Alderman Odell moved to amend by adding "the Marshal shall use the City prisoners and scavenger carts in abating nuisances involving the public health". Adopted.

The resolution was then adopted as amended.

disposing of
bound ards.

Alderman Walker introduced a resolution to dispose of the bound and interleaved revised Civil and Criminal Ordinances of the City.

The resolution provides that each officer, Alderman and the Chief of the fire department shall be furnished with one copy. The resolution was adopted.

C.E. lower
top of cistern

Alderman Brush moved that the City engineer be required to have the top of the cistern in front of Samast's store, on Congress Avenue, lowered to a level with the street, and report cost of same to the Council. Adopted.

opium.

Alderman Anderson introduced an Ordinance prohibiting opium smoking in the City, and punishing the keepers of opium dens.

Motions were made to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second and third readings both of which were adopted by the following vote: Yeas - Aldermen Anderson, Brush, Caldwell, Campbell, Croaker, Cummings, DeGress, Giesen, Helman, Jones, Odell, Pillow, Schneider, Schuber, Walker, Warren, Wellmer, Wartham - 18.

On motion, the ordinance was passed.

Kirk.

A claim from Jno F. Kirk, for \$150,

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for services as a secret officer during a portion of January and February, was referred to the Committee on Police.

Ord- to pay Alderman Odell offered an Ordinance appropriating approved of- \$1268.63 to pay approved accounts.

A motion was made to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on its second reading, which was adopted by the following vote: Yeas- Aldermen Anderson, Brush, Caldwell, Campbell, Crocker, Cummings, DeGress, Giesen, Helman, Jones, Odell, Fillew, Schneider, Schuber, Walker, Warren, Kellmer, Wartham. Total 18.

amended.

Alderman Walker moved to amend by adding \$74 to pay J W Gassaway for services rendered as secret officer in April and May. Adopted.

The Caption was changed to read \$1,342.63.

Motions were then made to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on its third reading, and that the Ordinance now pass, both of which were adopted by the following vote: Yeas- Aldermen Anderson, Brush, Caldwell, Campbell, Crocker, Cummings, DeGress, Giesen, Helman, Jones, Odell, Fillew, Schneider, Schuber, Walker, Warren, Kellmer, Wartham - 18.

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ascertain amt

money used

without consent

of Aldermen.

Alderman DeGress introduced a resolution, which was adopted, directing the mayor to appoint a Special Committee of five, to ascertain the amount of money taken from the different wards under the direction and control of the engineer and Street Committee without the authority of the Aldermen of the different wards, and report to the City Council, by Ordinance, at its next meeting, the amount so taken and used; and further, report an Ordinance to return to the different wards the amount of money so used.

The Comtee-

The following Aldermen were appointed as such Special Committee: DeGress, Warren, Crocker, Jones and Odell.

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Alderman Anderson offered a resolution, which was adopted, directing the mayor to appoint a

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examine
River walk
lease - Special Committee of three and the mayor, to inquire into the condition of the lease of the property known as the Old Glascock mill, and if properly leased to Jones & Glass.

The committee - Aldermen Anderson, Caldwell, and DeGress were appointed as such committee.

Alderman Crooker was excused.

Executive
session - Alderman DeGress moved that the Council go into executive session. Adopted.

Reduce police
force to 15. least - Alderman DeGress moved that the police force be reduced to 15. Tabled.

A motion to return to regular session carried and on motion the Council adjourned.

Milton Morris
City Clerk