

Regular Meeting
City Council,

Austin, Texas July 1st 1878.

Mayor De Gress presiding. Roll called.
Present Alderman Crow, Crooker, Millitt,
Platt, Rarou, Shuhaw, Strong & Vaughan. - 8
Alderman Crow moved a call of the Coun-
cil. The call being sustained by three, the
Marshal was sent for the absentees.

Alderman Metz appeared and answered to his
name and on motion of Alderman Crooker
the call was suspended. *

Petition of John Parry for retail liquor
license. Granted.

Petition of A. Cunningham for improvement of
Street on S 1/2 of Block 54 Div. E.

Petition of Butcher relative to condition of
Market House. Received.

Petition of citizens of 10th Ward for Street
Improvements Referred to City Marshal
for investigation and action.

Report of City Supton for the month of June
1878. Received

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His Honor the Mayor submitted the follow-
ing:

Mayor's Office Austin Texas,
June 8th 1878.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Austin. Gentlemen:

I have the honor to call your attention
to a Resolution appropriating \$500⁰⁰ to buy
truck, ladders or for Protection Hook &
Ladder Co. No 3.

While it is our duty to extend fire protec-
tion to every portion of the City, also
admitting that that part of the City
North of the Capital where a company
has been recently organized & accepted
by the City Council and for whom this
appropriation is intended, is very necessary,
the question presents itself, have we the

*The proceedings of the meeting
of June 21st were read and approved.

money to pay for these articles at this time? Can the city afford it?

The city now owns a self-acting fire extinguisher which cost \$2655.00. It is claimed that this is too heavy to be hauled by hand, still it has been so used in this city. This Extinguisher is far superior to a Hook and Ladder truck without an engine for it to support, for this reason: the Extinguisher can be used for putting out fires the moment it arrives on the ground; it has ladders and all other implements necessary to the extinguishing of a fire attached, while a Hook and Ladder truck can be of little use without an engine to throw water.

Without disapproving this resolution so that it may be used when deemed necessary and when in your opinion the city's financial condition will warrant it, I would recommend that the Fire Extinguisher be turned over to this company and that it be supplied with such implements as the committee on Fire Department may direct, also that the House in which the Extinguisher is located, being the property of the city, be torn down and re-erected where the committee on Fire Department and the officers of this new company may deem best for the protection of that part of the city.

Very respectfully,
Signed J. C. De Vere,
Mayor.

Received

Petition of Will M^e Ashaw for pay for oil Lamp erected by him.

Laid on the table.

Petition of Jno. D. Elliott for account of difference between cash and city warrants.

received by him for printing done for the City under [unclear].

(Referred to Printing Committee with power to send for persons and papers.)

Official Band of Ed. Leary as City Marshal. On motion the band was approved.

By Alderman Vaughan.

Whereas the Fourth of July is a legal holiday in this State and Country and therefore the memories of the day should be ever cherished by all the lovers of our country and its Institutions, Therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That the Mayor of the City be requested and authorized to issue his proclamation suspending all business and closing all the offices of the municipal government on that day and that he appoint a joint committee from the Board of Aldermen and the citizens of Austin to make suitable arrangements for such a celebration of this our National Anniversary as is becoming ^{and} worth of a free people.

Resolved 2^d. That His Honor the Mayor be one of the committee from the Council and be officio Chairman of the same.

The resolutions were adapted and His Honor the Mayor appointed from the Council Aldermen Vaughan, Ross and Crocker and from the citizens Messrs E. M. Peace, Eugene Brunson and D. H. C. Baker.

Resolution authorizing and directing the City Treasurer to call in and pay all outstanding non-interest bearing warrants of the City of Austin.

Read first, second and third times and passed under a suspension of the rules two-thirds of a full Board voting in the affirmative.

Resolution appropriating \$100.⁰⁰ for making out the tax Rolls and receipts for the year 1878.

Read first time and on motion the resolution was placed on its second reading by the

Following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow,
Crooker, Millet, Metz, Platt, Parry, Sheehan,
Strong and Vaughan 9.
Nays none.

Read second time and on motion the rules were
further suspended and the resolution placed
on its third reading by the following vote:
Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millet, Metz,
Platt, Parry, Sheehan, Strong & Vaughan - 9.
Nays none.

Resolution read third time and passed by
the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow,
Crooker, Millet, Metz, Platt, Parry, Sheehan,
Strong and Vaughan, 9.
Nays none.

Proposal of St. P. Hulbert to complete the
chestnut St. Bridge over Miller Creek in
7th Ward for \$167,000.

Referred to Street Committee.

Account of C. St. White for instruments re.
furnished to City Engineer.

Referred to Street Committee.

Report of special committee on printing
and binding the City Charter and Codified
Ordinances.

On motion the contract was awarded to
the Texas Capital owned by St. H. & What. E.
McLaughlin.

Resolution appropriating \$332.⁵⁰ to print
and bind City Charter and Codified Ordinances
Read first time and on motion the rules were
suspended and the resolution placed on
its second reading by the following vote:
Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millet,
Metz, Platt, Parry, Sheehan, Strong & Vaughan 9
Nays none.

Read second time and on motion the rules
were further suspended and the resolution
placed on its third reading by the following
vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millet,
Metz, Platt, Parry, Sheehan, Strong and
Vaughan - 9
Nays none.

Resolution read third time and on motion passed by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Paron, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan - 9.
Nays - none.

Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into a contract with H. W. Leach & Co. M^{rs} Laughlin for printing and binding the City Charter and Codified Ordinances.
Adopted.

An Ordinance approp. printing \$250.⁰⁰ for a Foot Bridge over Waller Creek on Red River Street.

Read second time and motion the ordinance was placed on its second reading by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan - 8.
Nays Alderman Paron - 1.

Ordinance read third time and passed by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan - 8.
Nays Alderman Paron - 1.

An Ordinance regulating the salaries of officers.

Read first time and on motion the rules were suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by the following vote: Yeas Aldermen Crow, Crooker, Millett, Metz, Platt, Paron, Sheehan, Strong and Vaughan - 9.
Nays - none.

Read second time, Alderman Vaughan moved to amend Sec. 1. by striking out two dollars and fifty cents for each case of trial and conviction and the sum of one dollar in each case of a plea of guilty and inserting five dollars for each case of trial and conviction and two dollars in each case of a plea of guilty. Also by adding the following "and the City Atty. shall receive 75¢ for in any case unless the party convicted or entering a plea of guilty pays the fine and costs in cash." Adopted.

Section one was then adopted as amended.

Section Two was adopted without amendment. Alderman Barron moved to amend section three by striking out twelve hundred dollars per annum and inserting fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Amendment adopted and Section Three adopted as amended.

Section four ^{and five} was adopted without amendment. Alderman Vaughan moved to amend section six by striking out eighteen hundred dollars per annum and inserting two and one half per cent. for assessing and two per cent. for collection. Lost.

Alderman Strong moved to amend by striking out eighteen hundred dollars per annum and inserting two per cent. for assessing and two per cent. for collecting. Amendment adopted and section six adopted as amended.

Alderman Strong moved to amend section seven by striking out nine hundred dollars per annum and inserting one thousand dollars per annum.

Amendment adopted and section seven adopted as amended.

Sections 8 and 9 adopted without amendment.

Alderman Vaughan moved to amend by adding the following two sections.
 Section 10. The Mayor shall receive a salary of two thousand dollars per annum.
 The City Marshal shall receive a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum.
 The City Treasurer shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars per annum.
 The City Attorney shall receive a salary of six hundred dollars per annum.
 The City Sexton shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per annum.

Section 11. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. Amendment adopted.

On motion the ordinance suspended and

The Ordinance read third time and passed as amended two thirds of a full Council voting in the affirmative.

Resolution directing City Engineer and the Alderman of the 8th Ward to draw up plans and specifications for the Foot Bridge to be erected over Haller Creek on Red River Street. Adopted.

Application of C. D. Anderson, City Engineer for leave of absence for seven days. Granted. Alderman Vaughan was excused from further attendance at this meeting.

By Alderman Millett.

An Ordinance regulating the Fire Department, fixing the Fire Limits and making Fire Regulations for the City of Austin. Read first, second and third times and passed under suspension of the rules two thirds of a full Council voting in the affirmative.

On motion the Council adjourned.

Approved
 July 16/78 July 16' 1878 L. M. Rydley
 City Clerk.