

Regular meeting of the City Council : Austin, Texas, August 17th 1915:

The Council was called to order by the Mayor : Roll called :

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Absent none:

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and adopted :

Petition of Louis Joseph ,for license as driver of service car, was presented, read and the petition granted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 423.70, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street fund to reimburse the McCall-Moore Engineering Company for extra work done on the reinforced concrete bridge on 18th street across Waller Creek as per exhibit "A" attached.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none :

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That a permit is hereby granted to Dewey Puryear to install and maintain a gasoline tank ,to be approved by the Supt of Police and Public Safety, under the sidewalk in front of Nos 80, 82 & 84, Congress Avenue ,in the City of Austin Texas.

Resolved further :

That in connection with this gasoline tank hereby authorized to be installed ,the said Dewey Puryear is likewise authorized to install and maintain a gasoline pump, to be located at the curb line in front of Nos 80, 82 & 84 , Congress Avenue ,at a position to be designated by the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements; said gasoline pump to be of the most modern and approved construction and design, and subject to the approval of the Supt of Police and Public Safety.

Resolved further :

That Dewey Puryear shall install and maintain at the top and upon the gasoline pump hereby authorized an electric light of not less than forty (40) watt power and placed in a globe of not less than ten (10") inches in diameter, which electric light must be kept illuminated not less than three hours daily, between the hours of six and twelve O'clock P M, during the existence of this permit.

Resolved further :

That the hose through which air ,gasoline or any other oil or volatile substance is conveyed ,by pumping or otherwise, from the store house in front of Nos 80, 82-84, Congress Avenue or from the tank authorized to be placed in front of same must be kept ,when not in actual use ,neatly coiled, and stored in a receptacle

*Louis Joseph
driver's
license*

*Appra.
Council
L. J. Puryear*

*Dewey Puryear
Nante*

provided for such hose in the pump authorized to be installed or suspended from a suitable bracket attached to the pump.

Resolved further:

That the work under this resolution authorized to be installed and maintained must be installed and maintained, where not otherwise assigned, under the immediate supervision of the City Engineer of Austin, Texas, who is hereby authorized to prescribe necessary specifications for the work herein authorized to be done:

Resolved further and finally :

This this permit is grnted only for the installation of a gasoline tank and Pump and does not include the installation or construction of a storage box for hose underneath the sidewalk, and that this permit is granted and must be accepted as revocable at any time in the pleasure of the City Council .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolution approving City Engineer sreport concerning improvements upon 11th street in this City, From the east property line of Brasos street (North) to the east property line of San Jacinto street, and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assesment for a part of the cost of such improvements against them and their property, fixing a time for said hearing and directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing:

*Paving 11th
Notice to property
owners, etc*

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, has heretofore determined to improve 11th street from the east property line of Brasos street (North) to the east property line of San Jacinto street ,in the City of Austin, Texas, by paving the same with Bitulithic pavement upon gravel concrete foundation with concrete gutters along curb lines and necessary excaevation, and has adopted specifications for said work and has entered into a contract for the same with the Texas Bitulithic Company, a Corporation; and

Whereas, the City Engineer of the City of Austin, Texas, has this day filed his report in writing with the City Council ,showing the total cost of the said improvements upon the said street, the amount per front foot of abutting property to be paid by the owners thereof and also the names of persons, estates or Corporations owning property abutting on said improvements ,with a description of their property and a statement of the total amount payable by each of said owners for said improvements; and

Whereas, the City Council has examined the said report and finds the same correct; and

Whereas the necessity exists that a portion of the cost of said improvements should be assessed against said property owners and their property ,subject to the terms of the Charter of the City and the ordinance in such cases made and provided, and after the notice and hearing provided by said Charter and ordinance;

Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

1. That the said report of the City Engineer be, and the same is hereby approved and adopted.
2. That a portion of the cost of making the said improvements shall be assessed against said owners of property abutting on 11 th street, in this City, from the east property line

of Brasos street (North) to the east property line of San Jacinto street, and against said property; that the said assessment shall be made at the rate of \$ 3.6764 per front foot of such property in accordance with the " Frontxxxi tax Foot " rule or plan in proportion as the frontage MM of each owner in each block of said street is to the whole frontage in that block to be improved, provided that if such rule of apportionment shall appear to the City Council to be unjust or unequal in any particular case, or to result in an assessment in excess of the benefits received through said improvements by any owner or his property, the City Council shall adopt such rule of apportionment as shall effect substantial equality and justice between said property owners, considering benefits received by and burdens imposed upon said owners, and that in no case shall any assessment be made in excess of the actual benefits received by the owners of said property through the enhanced value thereof by means of said improvement.

3. That a hearing shall be given before the Council to said property owners on the 31st day of August, A D 1916, at the Mayors office in the City Hall, in the City of Austin, Texas; at which hearing said property owners, their agents or attorneys shall be fully and fairly heard as to all matters concerning the said improvements or any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference thereto, or as to the benefits thereof, and as to any other matter or thing connected therewith. At which hearing the said owners shall have the right to produce witnesses and testimony, and which hearing shall be adjourned from time to time and from day to day until all are fully heard and all matters in connection with the said improvements and assessment fully ascertained; that after the said hearing shall be closed, said City Council will proceed to assess against owners of property upon said street and their property, who shall agree with said Council upon the said assessments, such sums as may be so agreed upon and determined as provided by the Charter of the City and the said ordinance; and that as to any such property owner who may not so agree, the City Council will, after said hearing, appoint a Commission to determine said assessments, and will take such further steps in ascertainment thereof as are provided by the Charter and ordinance.

4. That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements of the City of Austin, Texas, is hereby directed to give notice hereof to the said property owners, their agents and attorneys by publication of a copy of this resolution not less than twice in the Austin Statesman, a daily paper of general circulation in the City of Austin, the first publication to be not less than five days MMXD prior to the date of hearing.

5. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of three thousand (\$ 3,000.00) dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitary Sewer fund for the purpose of constructing sewer extensions to serve the improved property in Travis Heights.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That for good and sufficient causes unto the City Council shown ,the balance of the fine and costs , amounting to \$ 24.20, in cause No 9719, State of Texas vs Burney Comesky, in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, for using abusive language, be and same are hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

August 21st 1916:

The Mayor laid before the Council application of Pat Murphy ,for licende to drive a service car ,which was granted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 16.66, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, as a refund to W B Hart for the unearned part of the jitney license heretofere issued to him.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the City Treasurer and Book-keeper be instructed to transfer the sum, ^{of} \$ 325.93, from the Sanitary Sewer Earnings fund to the Sanitary Sewer fund ,for the purpose of reimbursing said fund for this amount, which were made in issuing warrants and mis-application of funds which were discovered in making up the budget. See warrants as follows:

Warrants:	
2735-	\$ 13.00
2811 to 2813,	125.00
2739;	34.50
2770,	22.05
2784,	131.38
	<u>325.93.</u>

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

*Sewer
Travis Heights*

Fine

B. Comesky

Driver's License

Pat Murphy

Jitney License

Refund

W. B. Hart

Warrants

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

See of mules.

That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements is hereby authorized to sell or exchange one pair of crippled mules, which has been condemned by the Veterinary Surgeon, mules are not of further use to the City of Austin on account of the crippled condition they are in .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Approved , A P Wooldridge, Mayor :

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

Damages to Sam Redd

That the sum of \$ 40.00 , be appropriated out of the Earnings fund of the Water, Light & Power Department, to pay Sam Redd for loss of a cow killed by live wire of the Water, Light & Power Department.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

August 21st 1916:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

Fire Dept. New Expenses

That the sum of \$ 150.00, or so much thereof as may prove to be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to defray the traveling, hotel and incidental expenses of Clarence Woodward ,Fire Chief, in attending the Fire Chiefs association to be held in Providence R I ,beginning August 28th ,1916.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

Fine

That the balance of the fine and costs ,amounting to \$ 5.00, in cause No 10834, State of Texas vs Harry L Smith ,in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, be and the same is for sufficient and good cause thereunto moving hereby remitted by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 18.75 , be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin as a refund for the unearned part of the Jitney license heretofore issued to R B Wright.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Whereas, on the 21st day of August A D 1916, a petition was filed by the Dixie Oil & Refining Company for authority, permission and license to erect and maintain ,within the Corporate limits of the City of Austin ,one or more tanks for the reception and storage of Oil and oil products, gasoline and gasoline products, said building and erections to be placed on what is known as part of Lot No 1, in Block No 6, Raymond's subdivision of Outlet No 11 of Division "Z", being more particularly described as follows:

Begining at the North ^{West} ~~East~~ corner of said block No 6, thence southerly on the east line of Bowei street 50 feet to a point for place of beginning; thence easterly and at right angles with said street 60 feet to a point; thence sautherly 60 feet from and parallel to said street line x 60 feet to a point; thence westerly 60 feet to said street line; thence northerly along said street 60 feet to place of beginning; and

Whereas, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Austin have personally inspected the site on which the applicant Dixie Oil and refining company is to construct and maintain said tank or tanks as indicated; and

Whereas, the City Council is in all things satisfied with the site indicated herein and upon a vote duly taken in all things approves the site so srlected and the character of storage tanks to be used:

Be it therefore resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, acting herein by and through its Mayor and constitute^d Councilmen:

That the Dixie Oil and Refining Company be and it is hereby granted permission to build and maintained on the property above described one or more storage tanks for the reception and storage of oil and oil products, gasoline and gasoline products, to be built on a rock ,brick or concrete foundation, with all appurtinences or appliances requisite or incidental to the right herein conferred.

The said Dixie Oil and Refining Company is hereby authorized and empowered to store or warehouse in said tank or tanks oil and oil products ,gasoline and gasoline products in excess of two hundred and fifty (250) gallons, standard measure.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

Whereas, in the judgement of the City Council .Lawrence Hanley ,the then driver of North Austin Hose Company No 5, was guilty of reckless driving in driving the car of said North Austin Hose Co No 5 to a reported fire at 1505 Colorado street on the night of Friday August 18th 1916, in that by reason of said reckless driving the greatly injured the car he was driving and destroyed the store building situated at the corner of 19th and

*Jitney license
R. B. Wright.*

*Dixie Oil Ref'g
Co.
Permit to
build Tanks.*

*Lawrence Hanley
reckless driver*

Guadalupe streets in this City, and more or less injured all of the persons upon said car which the said Lawrence Hanley was driving.

Now, therefore.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That in punishment for said reckless driving which in the judgement of the City Council constitutes a breach of the necessary discipline to be enforced in said Austin Fire Department, the said Lawrence Hanley is hereby suspended from occupation and pay from the 20th day of August 1916, to the 1st day of January 1917, and

Be it further resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That James Quinlan and John Luckey be and they are hereby summonsed to appear before the City Council at its meeting to be held on thursday, the 24th day of August, 1916, to receive a public reprimand for failure to remonstrate with the said Lawrence Hanley for the reckless gate at which he was driving said North Austin Hose Co No 5 car.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Approved , A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

August 17th 1916:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 17.55, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, as a refund to Roy Hough for the unexpired part of his license as a jitney Driver.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor,

August 19th 1916:

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That as a courtesy to the United States Army, especially the National Guard of this and other Cities ,Water and Light be furnished free to said Army and National Guards for the time of their expected stay here during the month of September 1916.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilman Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

*Jitney License
Refund
Roy Hough*

*U. S. Army
National Guard*

E. C. Bartholomew
Res. 10-1-1900

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That E C Bartholomew, Supt of Parks and Public Property, be and he is hereby authorized to lend the working plans and specifications for rebuilding the Austin Dam, for a period of three weeks to Mr Edward, Hegmann, Engineer of New York City, taking his receipt therefor.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then adjourned.

Joseph Johnson
City Clerk