

..Regular meeting of the City Council : Austin, Texas, April 6th 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

Report of City Officers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following reports of City Officers:

The Supt of the Water & Light Plant, the Inspector of Health, the Marshal, the Treasurer, the Public Weigher, which were read and ordered filed:

~~COUNCILMAN HAYNES OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:~~
~~WHEREAS, IN VIEW OF THE VERY RADICAL INCREASE MADE BY THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR~~
~~THE YEAR 1915, IN THE PROPERTY OF J EILERS AND THE ESTATE OF H E FORD, AS LISTED BELOW~~
~~WHICH INCREASE AMOUNTS TO NEARLY 100% IN ONE YEAR; AND~~
~~WHEREAS, SAID INCREASE SEEMS TO THE COUNCIL EXCESSIVE,~~
~~NOW, THEREFORE,~~
~~RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:~~
~~THAT THE SUM OF \$ 48.25, BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROPRIATED OUT OF THE GENERAL~~
~~CONTINGENT FUND OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 1916, IN PAYMENT OF THE BALANCE~~
~~OF THE SALARY OF MRS BELLE FRIEDMAN, FORMER MATRON AT THE CITY HOSPITAL, FOR THE MONTH OF~~
~~FEBRUARY 1916.~~

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That the sum of \$ 230.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas and credited to a special appropriation in the Police Dept of this City to pay for the net balance of purchase of a twin Excelsior Motorcycle bought of the Petpecky Co of this City for the use of said Police Dept.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none:

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Whereas, in view of the very radical increase made by the Board of Equalization for the year 1915, in the property of J Eilers and the estate of H E Ford, as listed below which increase amounts to nearly 100% in one year; and

Whereas, said increase seems to the Council excessive,

Now, therefore,

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

That, as an act of equity and good judgement, as we believe, the assessment of ground values in each instance are reduced by the amount of 12 1/2 % of the value placed upon said property by said Board of Equalization:

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 :

That the sum of \$ 48.25, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, in payment of the balance of the salary of Mrs Belle Friedman, former Matron at the City Hospital, for the month of February 1916.

For the time covered by this appropriation Mrs Friedman was either sick or absent from the City Hospital, with the authority, as she understood, of the City Physician.

See attached statement for the general facts of the case.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Motorcycle Police Dept

*See list of changes
See page 479*

Wm B Friedman

..Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution:

Whereas, it appears from the attached affidavit of M H Rowzee, Manager of the Austin Statesman, that the assessment against the properties of the Austin Statesman were erroneously assessed, being assessed at a guess, for the year 1914 for fifteen thousand (\$ 15,000.00), when the true valuation of the personal property of said Austin Statesman Co, for the year 1914 was the same as that accepted by the Board of Equalization for the year 1913, to-wit, the sum of nine thousand (\$9,000.00) dollars,

Now, therefore,

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

That the assessment of the personal property of the said Austin Statesman for the year 1914, be and the same is directed to be valued by the Assessor and Collector of this City at the sum of nine thousand (\$9,000.00) dollars.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

April 8th 1916:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

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

That the sum of \$ 5,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for re-inforcing steel for bridges in this City.

The resolution, which had been read the 1st time on the 1st day of April, was read the 2nd time and passed 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:

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

That the sum of \$ 12,500.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of construction of a bridge over 1st street across Waller creek in this City.

This resolution was read the 1st time on the 1st day of April 1916, and is laid over. The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

*Austin Statesman
Fax 4*

*Reinforcing
Steel*

*Waller
Creek*

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

*Bridge 14th
Waller Cr*

That the sum of \$ 7,100.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of construction of a bridge over 14th street across Waller Creek in this City.

This resolution was read thr 1st time on the 1st day of April 1916, and laid over for one week. The resolution was read the 2nd time and passed 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:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

*Bridge 18th
Waller Cr*

That the sum of \$ 8,200.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of construction of a bridge over 18th street across Waller creek in this City.

This resolution was read the 1st time on the 1st day of April 1916, and laid over for one week. The resolution was read the 2nd time and passed 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 :

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

*Bridge Stone
Creek*

That the sum of \$ 1,020.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of construction of a bridge over Stone Road across Stone creek in this City.

This resolution was read the 1st time on the 1st day of April 1916, and laid over for one week. The resolution was read the 2nd time and passed 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 :

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

*Bridge 29th
Waller Cr*

That the sum of \$ 7,345.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of construction of a bridge over 29th street across Waller creek in this City.

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 :

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

That the sum of \$ 9,175.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the construction of a bridge over 12th street across Shoal creek in this City.

This resolution was read the 1st time on the 1st day of April 1916, and laid over for one week. The resolution was read the 2nd time and passed by the following vote:

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

That the sum of \$ 3,895.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of the construction of a bridge over 22nd street across Waller Creek in this City.

This resolution was read the 1st time on the 1st day of April 1916, and laid over for one week. The resolution was read the 2nd time and passed 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 :

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

That the sum of \$ 600.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of filling the approaches to Stone creek bridge on Stone road in this City.

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 :

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

That the sum of \$ 1,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Street Improvement fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, to pay for the cost of cleaning, widening and deepening the channel of Shoal creek under and near West Avenue bridge in this City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

*Approach 12th
Shoal creek*

*Approach 22nd
Waller Creek*

*Approaches
Stone
Stone Cr.
Bridge*

*Widening
Shoal creek
under
West Avenue
bridge*

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The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That, upon the request of the Mayor of this City, the sum of one thousand (\$ 1,000.00) dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the surplus fund in the unappropriated balance of the Water, Light and Power department of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, and set apart for the payment of extra Clerks and book-keepers as may be required from time to time for the work of said department.

*Extra Clerk
will be kept*

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 :

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That, upon the request of the Mayor of this City, the sum of sixty (\$60.00) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the unappropriated balance in the Water, Light and power department of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916, and appropriated as an addition to the salary of the electrical repairer for said department.

*Salary Electrical
Repairer
to be kept*

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 :

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

That the City Council advise Messrs Batts & Brooks, Attorneys for Wm P Carmichael Co, and Mr Guy Collett, Receiver of the City Water Power Company, that the City Council is willing to arbitrate, in accordance with Section 21, of the franchise ordinance, and without prejudice as to all other matters, the following matters:

*Dam
Arbitration
Proposed*

1st: Whether or not the Engineer in charge had the right to make the change of the base of the dam.

2nd. Whether or not such change has decreased the stability of the dam or in any way diminished the capacity or the completeness of the installation, or in any way lowered the standard or the grade of construction.

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 Haynes offered the following resolution :

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

That the petition of Thomas M Miller, Executor of the Estate of E Rust, for the reduction of the assessment of credits of the Estate of the said E Rust, from \$ 4,800.00, at which it was heretofore fixed at the rate of 80 cents on the dollar of the par value of said credit to the sum of \$ 4,000.00, which is 66 2/3 % of the value of said credits, be granted. This resolution is passed in pursuance to a rule adopted by the City Council in assessing credits at the rate of 66 2/3 % on the dollar of their face value.

Yield

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

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*U.C. Scott,
Contract
terminated*

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That for good and sufficient causes, the engagement of Dr A C Scott as consulting Engineer at the dam be and the same is hereby terminated at the expiration of the month of April 1915.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

April 11th 1916.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That in part payment of a debt owing by the Sanitary Sewer Earnings fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to the Interest and Sinking fund the sum of four thousand (\$ 4,000.00) dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the funds of the Sanitary Sewer Earnings fund to the Interest and Sinking fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1916.

Transfer fund

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew & Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Anthony presented the following resolution :

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

That in consideration of the facts of the case, as reliably presented to us, and in special consideration of the endorsement of the Corporation Judge, which is attached hereto, and chiefly made a basis of this resolution, the fine and costs in the case of the State of Texas vs Sam Barlow for assault, being No 10476, in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, and amounting to \$ 14.80, be and the same are hereby remitted.

*Sam Barlow
fine
costs*

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew & Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

List of property belonging to A L Eilers and the Estate of H E Ford, on which the valuation was reduced by the Council, on the 24th of March 1916, see page 473.

Lots 1 to 16, Block 15, Div "P" Grandview Place,				reduced from \$ 730.00 to \$ 638.75.
Lots 1, to 9, Block 16,	do	do	do	780.00 " 332.50.
Lots 1 to 16, Block 18,	do	do	do	\$ 1,200.00 to " 1050.00
Lots 1 to 16, do 19,	do	do	do	1,375.00 to 1203.12
Lots 1 to 11, Block 20,	do	do	do	1,025.00 to 896.00
Lots 1 to 8, Block 21,	do	do	do	1,300.00 to 1,137.50
Lots 1 to 18, Block 22,	do	do	do	1,800.00 " 1,575.00
Lots 1 to 14 Block 23,	do	do	do	1,050.00 " 918.75
Lots 1 to 7, 11 to 15, & 1/2 of Lot 8, & 1/2 lot 10, Blk 24,	do	do	do	700.00 " 612.50
Lots 1 to 9, & 13 to 19, Block 30,	do	do	do	1,625.00 " 1,421.87,
Lots 1 to 4, Block 31,	do	do	do	450.00 to 393.75
Lots 1 to 7, & 2/3 Lot 8, Block 1,	do	do	do	285.00 to 249.37,
Lots 1 to 6, 12 to 16, 1/2 Lot 7, & 1/2 Lot 11, Block 4,	do	do	do	500.00 to 437.50,
Lots 1 to 10 Block 5,	do	do	do	,400.00 to 350.00
Lots 1 to 4, Block 6,	do	do	do	200.00 to 175.00
Lots 1 to 4, Block 7,	do	do	do	450.00 to 393.75,
Lots 1 to 14, Block 8,	do	do	do	1,470.00 to 1,286.25,
Lots 1 to 15, Block 9,	do	do	do	750.00 to 656.25,
Lots 1 to 21, Block 10,	do	do	do	1,050.00 to 918.75,
Lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 16, & 1/2 Lot 4, & 1/2 Lot 14,	do	do	do	240.00 to 210.00,

April 12th 1916.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That a permit be and is hereby granted E Cluck to install and maintain one Bowser Gasoline Tank, to be approved by the Supt of Police and Public Safety, under the sidewalk at No 1124 West 6th street in this City.

Resolved further:

That in connection with this Gasoline tank hereby authorize to be installed, the said E Cluck is likewise authorized to install and maintain a gasoline pump to be located at the curb line in front of No 1124 West 6th street at a position to be designated by the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements ; said gasoline pump to be of the most modern and improved fashion, character, construction and design, and subject to the approval of the Supt of Police and Public Safety.

Resolved further :

That the said E Cluck shall install and maintain at the top and upon the gasoline pump hereby authorized, an electric light of not less than 40 watt power and placed in a globe of not less than 10 inches diameter, which electric light must be kept illuminated not less than 3 hours daily, between the hours of 6 and 12 O' clock P M.

Resolved further :

That the hose through which air, gasoline, or any other oil or volatile substance is conveyed by pumping or other wise, from the store house at No 1124 West 6th street,

to Council

or from the tank authorized to be placed in front of same, must be kept, when not in actual use, neatly coiled and stored, either in the receptacle in the sidewalk provided for such hose, or in the receptacle in the pump authorized to be installed and provided for the storing of said hose.

Resolved further:

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

Resolved further and finally:

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 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then adjourned.

J. O. Johnson
City Clerk