

THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

Torrance, Calif.
April 4th, 1922.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the regular meeting place and was called to order by the President at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present: Trustees Fitzhugh, Gilbert, Stone and Proctor. Absent: Trustee Smith.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, and approved.

Resignation of Dr. J.S. Lancaster as Health Officer was read and laid on the table until the next meeting.

Communication from Wm. E. Kranich, objecting to the improvement of Carson Street, was read, but as same was received after the date for hearing protests, no action was taken.

Postmaster Gourdier, President of the Chamber of Commerce reported to the Board that gravel had been found not far from the surface of the ground in the Torrance Park district, and suggested that the Board of Trustees investigate and see if gravel could be found upon the proposed sight of the Sewer Disposal Farm, it was the opinion of the Board that at present all the water which flows upon this land could be used for farming, but that the suggestion was good and that in the future it might be necessary to dispose of the water in this manner.

Mr. Fifield, complained to the Board that the garbage and cans were not being collected in his neighborhood, and that at a place near the Gray Court the same condition existed. Mr. Fitzhugh stated that he thought the matter had been taken care of, since the Garbage Collector had made a change and was doing the collecting himself. He would get in touch with Mr. King in regard to same.

Marshal Anderson stated that Mr. A.F. Thomas had taken a prisoner to Redondo while he was away, and that Mr. Thomas thought it was worth more than was being paid the Marshal for such trips; the Marshal stated that Mr. Thomas would be satisfied with a dollar for the trip. On motion of Trustee Stone, duly seconded, it was voted to pay Mr. Thomas \$1.00 for the trip to Redondo with the prisoner; motion carried by the following vote: Ayes--Trustees Fitzhugh, Gilbert, Stone & Proctor. Noes--none. Absent--Trustee Smith.

The following motion was made by Trustee Fitzhugh: That \$1.00 be paid per trip to Redondo for the use of outside cars. Motion duly seconded, passed by the following vote: Ayes--Trustees Fitzhugh, Gilbert, Stone & Proctor. Noes--None. Absent--Trustee Smith.

The report of the Recorder for the month of March showing fines to the amount of \$437.50 collected, was read and ordered placed on file.

Building Inspector Postle reported that building permits to the amount of \$30,000.00 had been taken out for the month of March, and that he estimated that the factories had started construction amounting to \$10,000.00; making a total of \$40,000.00.

Mr. Postle reported for the Street Committee, stating that part of the rock, which had been ordered, had arrived; also the patching kettle and that the asphalt was expected by Thursday, at which time he thought the work of patching would start.

Trustee Fitzhugh stated that the water line had been installed to the septic tank, and that the Water Co. had taken over the pipe and had installed the same, and that they will install a meter at the tank.

Trustee Stone reporting on the safe, which the City had an opportunity to purchase from the Union Tool Co., stated that the price of \$150.00 was a good price; but that the matter should be laid upon the table until the new Board is installed. He also called attention to the danger at the crossing of the P.E. Car tracks and Carson Street on Cabrillo, and made the following motion: That the Clerk be instructed to write to the Pacific Electric Railway Co's agent at Torrance, calling attention to the danger at this crossing, and ask

that the motormen be instructed as to speed when nearing same. Motion duly seconded and carried.

Attention was also called to the fact that many of the school children and teachers walk in the street, instead of the sidewalk, in places where there are sidewalks; and that they are in constant danger. Upon motion made, duly seconded and carried, the Clerk was instructed to write to the Superintendent of Schools, calling his attention to this fact, and see if same cannot be remedied.

Trustee Gilbert asked if it would not be possible to have the booster pump turned on earlier in the morning and turned off later at night. Whereupon the following motion was made by Trustee Stone; which was duly seconded and carried: That request be made of the Water Co. that the Booster Pump be turned on at 5:00 A.M. by the Nightwatchman, and that same be turned off at 8:00 P.M. by the Marshall. Same being referred to the Clerk for attention.

A communication from the Librarian was read calling attention to the fact that no increase of salary had been asked for; but that the County did not take over the maintenance of the library until January 15th, and in consequence a half month's salary was due the Librarian. It was voted that the Librarian be paid the amount due for the period from January 1st to January 15th; being \$30.00. By the following vote: Ayes--Trustees Fitzhugh, Gilbert, Stone & Proctor. Noes--none. Absent--Trustee Smith.

The method of collecting the dog tax was discussed; it was that that a full year's tax should not be asked, since there is less than six months to the end of the fiscal year. This matter was laid over until the next meeting.

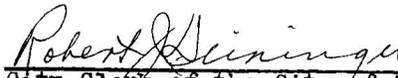
Mr. Schumacher appeared before the Board, complaining that his garbage and cans had not been taken away since Mr. King had taken over the collection of same. The matter was referred to Trustee Fitzhugh for attention.

All demands upon the city having been properly audited, were ordered paid by the following vote: Ayes--Trustees Fitzhugh, Gilbert, Stone and Proctor. Noes--None. Absent--Trustee Smith.

Mr. Postle mentioned the fact that in the Building Ordinance the districts were not the same as were set out by the Dominguez Land Corporation, and that the Ordinance should be changed. He also that that the manufacturing plants should come under the Ordinance as to the inspection of their buildings. He also asked regarding the erection of bungalow courts. Trustee Fitzhugh moved that these matters be taken under consideration for further action and that each member read the Declaration of the Land Company. Motion duly seconded and was carried.

Robert Knuckles asked regarding the paving of Arlington Avenue, and the cost of same. The matter was explained to his satisfaction by Mr. Postle.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned until Monday evening, April 17th, at 5:30 P.M.


City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved:


President of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.