

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,
May 16, 1922.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, May 16, 1922, and was called to order by President Fitzhugh at 8:00 P.M. The following Trustees were present: Gilbert, Nash, Stone, Proctor and Fitzhugh.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 2, 1922, were read and approved as read.

At 8:10 P.M. opening of bids on \$54,000.00 bond issue was begun, following are bids opened:

The Citizens National Bank, Los Angeles, bid on the \$54,000.00 par value, 5% bonds of the City of Torrance, to be sold May 16, 1922: Par, accrued interest to date of delivery and a premium of \$500.00, also enclosing a cashier's check for \$7,000.00.

The Wm. R. Staats Co, Los Angeles, bid on the \$54,000.00 par value, 5% bonds of the City of Torrance, to be sold May 16, 1922: Par, accrued interest to date of delivery and a premium of \$311.50, enclosing certified check for \$5500.00.

Trustee Proctor made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gilbert that the bid of the Citizens National Bank, Los Angeles, be accepted and the City Attorney be instructed to deliver a Transcript of the proceedings to them. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Gilbert, Nash, Stone, Proctor and Fitzhugh.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustees: None.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Thomas, of Wm. R. Staats Co, for his interest and information as to the bond proceedings.

The matter of depositing the \$54,000.00 here or leaving it with the successful bidder was referred to the City Treasurer to act as he saw best.

The minutes of an adjourned regular meeting of May 5, 1922 were read and approved as read.

At 8:30 P.M. Trustee Proctor moved that the bids for paving, re-surfacing and grading of portions of Arlington Avenue, Carson Street, Marcelina Avenue and El Prado Street be opened. Trustee Nash seconded the motion and same was carried.

The following contractors bid on Arlington Avenue:

Fred Hoffman - - - - -	\$81,123.40
Fairchild Gilmore Wilton Co. - - - - -	53,427.10
Geo. R. Curtis - - - - -	60,058.50
So. West Paving Co. - - - - -	20,851.90
Los Angeles Paving Co. - - - - -	42,679.30
Braun Bryant Austin Inc. - - - - -	57,313.37
Oswald Bros. - - - - -	56,466.60

The following contractors bid on Carson Street:

Braun Bryant Austin Inc.	
On Bond Election - - - - -	33,963.79
Los Angeles Paving Co. - - - - -	29,501.84
So. West Paving Co. - - - - -	43,495.20
Fred Hoffman - - - - -	42,991.64
Fairchild Gilmore Wilton Co. - - - - -	37,115.60
Geo. R. Curtis - - - - -	37,889.00
Oswald Bros. - - - - -	37,253.20

The following contractors bid for patching, re-surfacing and scarifying under Resolution No. 60:

Fred Hoffman - - - - -	\$00.24 per square yard
Geo R. Curtis - - - - -	.45 " " "

On motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Gilbert, these bids were referred to the City Engineer with instructions to report on them next Thursday, May 20, 1922, at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

-Carried-

Trustee Proctor moved that the regular order of business be dispensed with and that oral communications be taken up. On a second by Trustee Stone the motion was carried and Judge Post was given the floor.

Judge G. W. Post then expressed himself as favoring action by the Board of Trustees toward acquiring the Sewer System and the Sewer Farm for the City of Torrance, pointing out the fact that a village will never become a city without adequate sewage disposal, and further expressed himself as favoring intervention by the City of Torrance in the suit now pending between the Dominguez Land Corp. and the California Chemical Co. giving his reasons therefor.

Mr. Osburn spoke and complemented the Board on the manner in which they do their work, and referred them to Mr. Overton, Attorney for the Dominguez Land Corp.

Mr. Overton also complemented the Board on their spirit of right thinking and fair play; that he expected to have a fight on his hands but was agreeably surprised. "Judge Post has stated this proposition in a fair and broad-minded way. He says that you have some vested interest there, and although you have no absolute title to the land, whatever your rights are, the Dominguez Land Corp. does not want to deprive you of them. Your passing an Ordinance, as suggested, cannot hurt us, and your coming into this suit would be of material advantage to us. If you have any rights, you want to protect them. We would not have had trouble with the Chemical Co. if the bonds had carried. We want to co-operate with you in every way, and want you to have a fee simple title, if you want it, and we will help you get it".

On motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Gilbert, and carried by a majority vote, the Attorney was instructed to investigate with the Dominguez Land Corp. and work out details regarding the City of Torrance entering with the Land Co. in the suit pending to quiet title to sewer farm and report next Thursday at 5:00 P.M.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the directors of the Dominguez Land Corp. concerning park titles. Also the price of a site for a City Hall and make them a reasonable offer for same; and find out what streets can be taken when they are cleared.

The question of maintenance charges was brought up by Attorney Overton and it was decided to look into the matter and see about collecting them.

On motion by Trustee Gilbert, seconded by Trustee Nash, the American Legion was given permission, without charge, to stage a boxing and wrestling bout Friday night May 19, 1922.

Trustee Proctor moved that the American Legion be given permission to build a mound in the City Park to use in their services on Decoration day, May 30. Trustee Stone seconded the motion and it was carried.

The regular order of business was again taken up.

The minutes of an adjourned regular meeting held May 9, 1922, were read and approved as read:

Mr. Thomas announced that there would be a meeting in the Chamber of Commerce next Monday night at 7:30 to see if some sort of a play ground could not be contrived, and that a committee would be appointed to carry out the project.

A written communication from the Western Construction News was read asking for information re sale of bonds and letting of contracts on road work.

Trustee Nash moved the information be supplied, was seconded by Trustee Proctor, and it was so ordered.

Trustee Proctor reported that he and Dr. Lancaster had looked the Mexican villiage over and found things in a deplorable condition, the sewer running over, the toilets in bad shape, etc. It was decided that the Board should go over there in a body Wednesday May 17th, at 5:00 P.M. as the said Trustee had some suggestions to offer.

The City Clerk was asked to get out the Garbage notices as quickly as possible.

It was also reported that the worms which were ruining the Oak trees had been eliminated, and that work had been started on the Imhoff tank.

The City Engineer reported that he had found an error in one of the City maps and proposed the following Resolution adopting Tract map No. 4984 as a correction.

RESOLUTION NO. 64

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance, California, that the map of Tract No. 4984 is hereby approved and the City Clerk be authorized to affix his signature and the City seal thereto.

On motion by Trustee Gilbert, seconded by Trustee Nash, the Resolution was adopted as read, and the Clerk ordered to file same in his office. The following roll call vote was cast:

AYES; Trustees: Gilbert, Nash, Stone, Proctor and Fitzhugh.
 NOES; Trustees: None.
 ABSENT; Trustees: None.

The City Engineer reported that he could not get local gravel so had ordered some crushed rock taken over to Dominguez St. and to 210th and Amapola.

The question of a different typewriter was referred back to the City Clerk as he had instructions already to procure a suitable machine.

A dog show wanted to locate here for a one night stand. Stated that they had been paying from \$3.50 to \$5.00 in this vicinity, but it was decided that the Ordinance covering such show must be complied with and that it would cost \$25.00 for a license.

On motion by Trustee Gilbert, seconded by Trustee Nash, The City Engineer was instructed that he insist that Mr. Young put his building back 20 feet from the property line, and Mr. Hook be instructed to move his building back so that it be not closer than 20 feet to the said property line. The motion was duly carried.

A motion by Trustee Stone, seconded by Trustee Gilbert, that all bills properly audited, be paid, was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Gilbert, Nash, Stone, Proctor and Fitzhugh.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT;

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 5:00 P.M. Tuesday May 18, 1922.

ATTEST:

Albert H. Bantel

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

APPROVED:

James M. Fitzhugh
 President of the Board of Trustees
 of the City of Torrance.