

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

Torrance, California,
June 6, 1922.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, June 6, 1922, and was called to order by President Fitzhugh at 8:00 P.M. The following Trustees were present: Gilbert, Nash, Proctor, Stone and Fitzhugh.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 16, 1922, were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of May 18, 1922, were read and approved after a correction by Trustee Proctor.

The minutes of the special, adjourned, regular meeting of May 23, 1922, were read and approved as read.

At 8:30 P.M. the bids on the street work were opened, and, after reading a communication from Oswald Bros., the following bids were made public:

		Oswald Bros.	Geo. R. Braun Curtis	Bryant Austin	L. A. Paving Co. Inc.
Carson Street					
Assessment:					
Grading 80' wide	4,084 li. ft.	1.30	1.50	1.49	1.50
Grading 26' wide	2,104 li. ft.	.40	1.50	.56	.50
Willite pavement	61,880 sq. ft.	.195	.197	.185	.16
Shoulders	40,840 sq. ft.	.06	.04	.0393	.07
Redwood Headers	12,376 li. ft.	.051	.10	.05	.10

Carson Street					
Under Bond					
Willite pavement	61,880 sq. ft.	.19	.197	.185	.16
Shoulders	40,840 sq. ft.	.06	.04	.0393	.07

Arlington Avenue					
Assessment					
Grading 50' wide	2,380 li. ft.	.90	1.50	1.07	1.50
Grading 80' wide	2,166 li. ft.	1.80	1.50	1.52	2.00
Curb replacement	82 li. ft.	.50	.60	.50	.60
Curb, new	4,500 li. ft.	.50	.60	.50	.60
Willite pavement	106,150 sq. ft.	.205	.227	.2119	.19
Oiling	5,900 sq. ft.	.06	.04	.04	.07

Arlington Avenue					
Under Bond					
Willite pavement	106,150 sq. ft.	.20	.227	.2119	.19

These bids were referred to the City Engineer for totals.

A communication from the P. E. Ry, E. C. Johnson Chief Engineer, stating that the crossing at Border Avenue and Redondo Boulevard was repaired May 18th, and the other location was being investigated, was read; thanks were expressed for having called their attention to same.

A communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce was as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance:
Gentlemen:

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce held in the Chamber of Commerce building June 6, 1922, the following motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously: "That the Board of Trustees take the necessary action for the purchase of the City Water System, the facilitation of the operation of the Sewer System and the purchase of a site and erection of a building thereon for a civic center".

Signed H. D. Pottinger, Sec'y.

Mr. Gordier stated in this connection that he had talked with Mr. Hyde, and that Mr. Hyde said he had been approached by a number of men who have complained about the high price of water. That the P. E. Co. has another \$100,000. appropriated for housing, and the proposition they are giving their men is very liberal, but the employees are having a tendency of not taking advantage of same.

On motion by Trustee Gilbert, seconded by Trustee Proctor, the matter was referred to the Board as a whole for further action.

-Carried-

In the matter of the play grounds, it was explained that the Board had no money at the present time to engage a care-taker for same, and that no more money would be forthcoming until next December; but that the Board would give all the co-operation possible under the circumstances.

Trustee Stone reported that he had talked with Mr. Houston of the So. Cal. Edison Co. regarding street lighting, and that the new rates had gone into effect last month; that the present rate up to twelve o'clock for 100 wat lamps was 1.35 net, and the all night rate was 1.57 net. Trustee Stone moved the all night schedule of lighting be adopted beginning May 27, 1922; Trustee Gilbert seconded and the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

City Attorney reported that the Bond issue had not been fully approved as yet, but was informed by Mr. Spencer that he was going over the proofs with the printer, and as soon as they were printed the Bank would be ready to pay them; also suggested that a meeting be called for Friday the 9th at 4:30 P.M. as they might be ready.

The City Attorney also reported that the resurfacing contract was ready to sign but was waiting for money on the bonds; that he had no report to make on the Sever Farm, except that he advised filing a Declaration of Acceptance of Dedication.

The Building Inspector reported that for the Month of May 16 residence permits had been issued, aggregating \$37,400. on which \$42.00 in fees had been collected.

The Recorder reported that fines to the amount of \$80.00 had been collected from May 1st to June 1st, 1922.

Trustee Stone moved that the City Clerk be instructed to put a notice in the Torrance Herald advising the public that the Ordinance regarding the burning of trash and rubbish would be strictly adhered to. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Gilbert moved that the City Clerk's action in issuing a permit free of charge to the Legion for a fighting bout be ratified, and that in the future permits were to be issued to them under the terms of the Ordinance regulating same; and that a copy of the State law regarding such bouts accompany each permit. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried.

It was also suggested that the Street Department be asked to scatter the mound used for Decoration day exercises.

The matter of the building in the rear of the Burkhart Block which is now being used for storage purposes, and the condition of the electric conduit on the north side of same, was referred to the Wire committee.

Trustee Proctor stated that he had refused a permit, asked by Mr. Thorpe, to remove a tree from in front of the Baptist parsonage; that he had refused Mr. Northrup the same request.

Trustee Gilbert stated that he was still waiting for advice regarding the closing of the road in front of the School house.

The question of codes for the City office was brought up, Attorney Briney saying that they were badly needed but that he would leave his private books for the time being, until such time as the City was in better circumstances financially.

On motion by Trustee Stone, seconded by Trustee Nash, all bills properly audited were ordered paid by the following roll call vote:

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

Totals of the bids were read:

CARSON STREET		
Oswald Bros.	under Bond Election	\$14,207.60
Oswald Bros.	under Reso. No. 45	21,286.60
Geo. R. Curtis	under Bond Election	13,823.96
Geo. R. Curtis	under Reso. No. 45	24,343.56
Braun Bryant Austin	under Bond Election	13,052.812
Braun Bryant Austin	under Reso. No. 45	20,935.012
L. A. Paving Co. Inc.	under Bond Election	12,759.60
L. A. Paving Co. Inc.	under Reso. No. 45	21,175.20
ARLINGTON AVENUE		
L. A. Paving Co. Inc.	under Bond Election	20,168.50
L. A. Paving Co. Inc.	under Reso. No. 46	31,232.70
Braun Bryant Austin	under Bond Election	22,493.185
Braun Bryant Austin	under Reso. No. 46	30,859.105
Oswald Bros.	under Bond Election	21,230.00
Oswald Bros.	under Reso. No. 46	30,446.55
Geo. R. Curtis	under Bond Election	24,096.05
Geo. R. Curtis	under Reso. No. 46	33,900.25

After reading totals, the bids were again referred to the City Engineer for checking.

Under the head of new business, Trustee Nash mentioned the fact that the water from the mains along Gramercy Avenue smelled badly. It was explained by Trustee Proctor that this condition was due to mains not having been flushed out, and that it was something that had to be contended with constantly. The matter was referred to the Police, Fire and Lights committee.

City Engineer Postle presented a bill for \$25.00 for two months' expense for his automobile, it being used to a great extent in City work. After some discussion of the matter, Trustee Gilbert moved that the City Engineer be allowed \$12.50 per month as expense money for his automobile. Trustee Stone seconded the motion and it was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

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

The question of requisitions, after discussion, was referred to the Finance committee.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Proctor seconded that the meeting be adjourned until Friday June 9th at 4:30 P.M. The motion was duly carried.

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.