

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, Calif.  
October 27, 1924.

An adjourned, regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, October 27, 1924, and was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Smith. The following Trustees were present: Brooks, Deininger and Smith. Absent: Fitzhugh and Torrance.

The Clerk being absent, President Smith appointed Trustee Brooks to act as Clerk pro tem.

President Smith stated this to be an adjourned meeting for the purpose of considering plans for relief of the sewer conditions.

Trustee Deininger of the Street, Sewer and Park committee reported that data had been gathered indicating that the cost of laying a new line would be in the neighborhood of \$2200.00 by using some used pipe owned and for sale by the Dominguez Water Co. They have about 1600 feet of 10" pipe which can be obtained for about 20 cents per foot.

Engineer Jessup not yet having arrived to report on cost of installing new motor, President Smith announced the consideration of a communication from the Santa Fe Railway and called upon Mr. Page to make a statement with reference to the aims of the company. The communication was in the form of a resolution which the Board was asked to pass, declaring its intention to vacate certain alleys and streets in Blocks 81 and 87, Torrance Tract, upon the happening of certain contingencies. Mr. Page stated that the company intended to acquire all the property not now owned by the company, and develop it along industrial lines. The Board was asked to signify its willingness to co-operate with the company and declare its intention to vacate the street and alleys when the company made the proper showing as to improving the property. Trustee Brooks raised the question as to whether the company would merely create a switching yard or build real industries in the tract. Mr. Page stated that there would be a deep cut at the point and it could not be used for that purpose only at very heavy expense. The right-of-way runs diagonally through the blocks in question and it is only asking what has been done in other instances in the city. On information that the City Attorney had approved the form of resolution submitted the communication was read as:

RESOLUTION NO. 200  
CONCERNING THE VACATING OF STREET  
AND ALLEYS IN BLOCKS 81 AND 87 ON  
CONTINGENCIES

On motion by Trustee Deininger, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, Resolution No. 200 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Smith.  
NOES; Trustees: None.  
ABSENT; Trustee Torrance.

Trustee Fitzhugh arrived at 7:20 P.M. before above vote was taken.

Engineer Jessup having arrived at this time, he was asked for a report on information obtained of motor equipment, etc. He stated that in his opinion the immediate Demands of the situation could be best taken care of by

the installation of a larger motor. He said: "At present time we have a fifteen h.p. motor and I believe if we speed up the pump by the installation of a larger motor--say of 25 to 30 h.p. it will handle the sewage for the present. We should arrange to take care of the demands for the next two years and hope that the promised relief through the large Sanitary Sewer project will be realized. If not, we will have to make plans to enlarge the capacity of our system throughout. The pump now installed is delivering only about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet per second, and we should be able to increase that to two feet per second safely. We may have some little trouble with the reinforced concrete pipe line, but, if this proves too much, we will have to install a new line. I would recommend the installation of a 30 h.p. motor with smaller runner in the pump."

Trustee Deininger moved that the City Street Supt. be authorized to purchase a 30 h.p. motor and necessary equipment to go with it to make the necessary changes in the system as outlined by Engineer Jessup. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Torrence.

Trustee Fitzhugh, Chairman of the Ordinance Committee, made an extended verbal report of a conference called to consider re-writing certain ordinances. He stated that they had considered various features of the license ordinance. Suggestions were made as to the ordinance governing the sale of milk, operation of pool halls, the distribution of circulars and advertising matter and changes would be recommended at a later time, and other ordinances would be investigated for needed changes. The committee chairman stated that he wished it to be noted that the reason for a discrepancy between the license fees charged outside and local dealers came about by reason of the request of local merchants that the license fees be raised so as to provide additional police protection for local dealers.

President Smith stated that, inasmuch as this is a special adjourned meeting, unless very important matters should be presented for consideration, no further business would be undertaken at this time.

On motion by Trustee Deininger, seconded by Trustee Brooks, the meeting was adjourned to the regular meeting of Nov. 3, 1924.

A. H. Bartlett  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

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