

Torrance, California  
April 2, 1929

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, April 2, 1929, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Dennis. The following Trustees were present: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis. Absent: Inman and Raymond.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 5, 1929, were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the adjourned, regular meeting of March 12, 1929, were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 19, 1929, were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the special meeting of March 25, 1929, were read and approved as read.

Clerk Bartlett read the following communications:

From the local Chamber of Commerce, dated March 29, 1929, regarding the restoration of parkways after the conduit for the new lighting system had been laid.

The Engineer explained that the system had not been officially accepted at the present time and that the Construction Co. was showing a disposition to comply with the contract, and that he thought there would be no room for complaint by the end of the 60 day extension as granted.

A resolution from the local Chamber of Commerce, no date, requesting that consideration be given to the employing of Mr. Edgerton Shore in connection with proposed improvement of Cabrillo Avenue.

Trustee Wolfe moved that the matter be laid on the table for further consideration as he thought the City Engineer was quite capable. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A resolution from the Torrance District Garden Club, no date, regarding the beautifying of the corner of Cravens and El Prado.

The above was referred to the Street Committee for recommendation.

From the Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170, dated Feb. 13, 1929, requesting a permit to sell fire works.

Trustee Wolfe moved that the request be granted. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion which was duly carried.

From the Walteria Chamber of Commerce, dated March 19, 1929, regarding the improvement of streets.

The matter of the bond covering such improvement was mentioned and a copy of same offered to Walteria so that they might take the initiative--the City of Torrance not feeling it their place to institute proceedings in court that might run into money.

After some discussion, it was decided that Attorneys Briney and Schaefer (for Walteria) would delve into the proposition and report at the next regular meeting.

From the Salm Manufacturing Co., dated March 25, 1929, expressing gratification at the new lighting system, and congratulating all those engaged in its propagation.

The Clerk was instructed to answer seemingly.

From V. M. Harris, asking the possibility of using the Chevrolet Hall for motion picture purposes in order to raise money to build a church; also the license requirements?

Trustee Wolfe moved that the Chief of Police and Engineer Leonard report on the above at the next meeting.

"Torrance, California, 3/15/29. To the City Council of Torrance, California. Owing to business interests recently acquired which require my time and attention necessitating my absence from Torrance, it therefor becomes necessary for me to tender this to you as my resignation as a member of the Council to become effective at once.

Yours truly,

Chas. M. Inman."

Trustee Maxwell moved that the resignation of Mr. Inman be accepted with regrets, and the Clerk instructed to write Mr. Inman to that effect. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Raymond.

From the City Clerk of Los Angeles regarding Sepulveda Boulevard proceedings. (1)

From the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles, dated Feb. 18, 1929, denying the requested jurisdiction for the improvement of Sepulveda Boulevard. (2)

Trustee Wolfe moved that the above two letters be laid on the table for further consideration. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Oral communications were next in order.

Mr. Brock, of Walteria, called the attention of the board to the dangerous corner at Hawthorne and Newton Streets, stating that serious accidents could be expected if stop signs were not installed; also that road signs should be included.

The Board was to visit the locality for better understanding of the needs.

Trustee Wolfe moved that the Automobile Club be requested to place reflectors at Border and Cabrillo on trolley pole erected in street at that intersection.

Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Wolfe moved that all bills and purchases of \$25.00 or over shall come up before the Council; also that estimates be secured on all City Work and purchases. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote;

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Raymond.

Engineer Leonard reported that 51 overhead lights had been installed according to instructions and suggested that a light be placed at the bend on Western Avenue as this was a dangerous place.

Trustee Maxwell moved that a light be placed at the bend on Western Avenue as suggested. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Raymond.

Trustee Wolfe moved that, as it became necessary for the Board to appoint a Trustee to serve in place of the resigned Mr. Inman, Mr. G. A. R. Steiner be appointed to succeed Mr. Inman. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Raymond.

Attorney Briney stated that a mistake had been made in the description of property covered by application for franchise by the Union Oil Co. and asked that a new Resolution be adopted.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 418  
(re Union Oil Franchise)

Trustee Maxwell moved that Resolution No. 418 be adopted as read and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Steiner, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Raymond.

Trustee Maxwell moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Steiner, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Raymond.

At 9:00 P. M., Trustee Maxwell moved to adjourn. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried.

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

Approved:

John Dennis  
Mayor of the City of Torrance.