

Torrance, California
July 2, 1929.

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

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, July 2, 1929, and was called to order at 7:50 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Trustees were present: Maxwell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.

Absent: Trustee Wolfe.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 18th., 1929, were read, and after several corrections, were approved.

Mayor Dennis suggested that a copy of the minutes be mailed to each Trustee three days after the meeting, so they can look them over before the next meeting.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication to Engineer Leonard, under date of June 24, 1929, from the Torrance Woman's Club, thanking the City for the planting of trees in front of the Club House. This communication was ordered filed.

Clerk Bartlett read two petitions from the residents on Cabrillo Ave., asking that the City purchase the Right of Way from the Pacific Electric Railway south of Carson Street as well as north of Carson Street. Trustee Steiner stated that he didn't feel that this petition should be considered at this time, as it might interfere with negotiations that are being carried on with the Pacific Electric Railway.

Several property owners who were signers of the petitions, expressed their desire that the Council take action on the petition.

Mayor Dennis explained that they were at present negotiating with the Pacific Electric with reference to purchase of part of their right of way, and that he believed that any petitions at this time might jeopardize the proceedings.

Trustee Steiner moved that the bid of Allen H. Paull, for (1) two ton Dodge Truck, be accepted.

Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Maxwell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Wolfe.

Bids for Fire Hose were to be considered, and Trustee Nelson requested a five minute recess which was granted, after which Trustee Nelson moved that all Fire Hose bids be rejected, and the Clerk be instructed to advertise for new bids.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Maxwell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Wolfe.

Trustee Steiner moved that the Davis Market on W. Carson Street in the Shoe String Strip be permitted to deliver groceries in the City of Torrance providing a License is first obtained.

Trustee Nelson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Briney stated that the last letter he received from the Union Oil Company withdrew their franchise.

Trustee Maxwell moved that the remaining money after paying all expenses, be refunded to the Union Oil Company.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Maxwell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Wolfe.

Attorney Briney reported that he had no further word from Attorney Schaefer in regard to Street Improvements in Walteria, but he would write Attorney Schaefer stating that his last letter had been referred to him.

Trustee Maxwell moved that Attorney Briney be given two weeks time. Trustee Steiner seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Steiner introduced Ordinance No. 188. That it shall be unlawful for any person to use any refrigerating process or cooling device containing methyl chloride gas, unless it also contains some chemical that gives an odor, that would be detected notifying them of the escape of gas.

Trustee Maxwell stated that the condition of the water was not any better. He also stated that he knew personally of about five families that had moved from Torrance because of the water.

Mayor Dennis said that he would refer the water situation to the Water Committee and report on it at next meeting.

At this time Trustee Nelson addressed the chair and stated that it was useless to discuss the situation of Cabrillo Avenue, as we do not know whether the Pacific Electric Railway is willing to sell the Right of Way.

Trustee Nelson moved that the two petitions be tabled until such time as we can find out whether the Pacific Electric Railway is willing to sell.

Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

At this time the salesmen from the various companies discussed the Fire Hose proposition. Pioneer Rubber Mills, Eureka Fire Hose Mfg. Co., and the American Rubber Manufacturing Company were represented.

Trustee Steiner suggested that the old fire truck and hose, be taken down to South Torrance, and let them try to put out the fires before calling the Torrance Fire Department.

Clerk Bartlett stated that it was the Fire Chief's intention to take the old truck and hose down to South Torrance, after new hose had been purchased.

Trustee Nelson moved that meeting be adjourned to July 9, 1929, at 7:45 P. M.

The meeting adjourned at 9: 45 P. M.

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

Approved:

John Dennis
Mayor of the City of Torrance.