

Torrance, California  
September 29, 1930.

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

An adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, September 29th., 1930, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

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

Absent; Trustees: Maxwell.

Trustee Steiner moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 16th., 1930, be adopted.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Mr. G. A. Maxwell, under date of September 3rd., 1930, addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Torrance City Council, tendering his resignation as a member of this Board, to take effect immediately.

Trustee Steiner moved that the resignation be accepted with regrets, and the City Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Maxwell of same.

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

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

Trustee Nelson moved that Mr. R. R. Smith be nominated to fill the unexpired term of former Trustee G. A. Maxwell.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

Trustee Steiner moved that nominations be closed.

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

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

Trustee Steiner moved that Mr. R. R. Smith be appointed to fill the unexpired term of former Trustee G. A. Maxwell.

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

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

At 7:55 P. M. Clerk Bartlett administered the oath of office to Mr. R. R. Smith, City Trustee, who then took his seat at the council table.

Trustee Bell introduced:

ORDINANCE NO. 210.

REGULATING THE PEDDLING OF FOODS ON PUBLIC STREETS WITHIN  
 THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

At 8: P. M. Trustee Steiner moved that the Board proceed to canvass the returns of the Election held September 25th., 1930.

Trustee Nelson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

After the canvass was completed, Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 474.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE THAT IT HAS THIS DAY CANVASSED THE RETURNS FROM THE ACT OF 1927 MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 BOND ELECTION HELD SEPTEMBER 25TH., 1930, AND FINDS THAT THERE WAS A TOTAL OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY (1570) BALLOTS CAST AT SAID ELECTION, THAT THIRTY-EIGHT (38) OF SAID BALLOTS WERE FOUND BY THE ELECTION BOARD OF SAID ELECTION TO BE VOID, THAT ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR (1364) OF SAID BALLOTS WERE FOUND TO BE VOTES IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSAL SET FORTH IN THE RESOLUTION CALLING SAID ELECTION, AND THAT ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT (168) OF SAID BALLOTS WERE FOUND TO BE VOTES AGAINST SAID PROPOSAL, THAT AS A RESULT OF SAID VOTE THIS COUNCIL FINDS THAT SAID BOND ELECTION CARRIED BY A MAJORITY OF ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX (1196) VOTES IN FAVOR OF ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000.00) AND DOES FURTHER FIND THAT SAID DISTRICT KNOWN AS ACT OF 1927 MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HAS BEEN DULY FORMED.

Trustee Smith moved that Resolution No. 474 be adopted.

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

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " None.

Trustee Steiner moved that the City Clerk on behalf of this City Council make application to the Controller of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, requesting a statement showing the amount of the bonded and other indebtedness of such district, the assessed value of the taxable property therein according to the most recent assessment and the names of all municipalities the areas of which are included within such district.

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

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Steiner, Smith and Dennis.

NOES: TRUSTEES: None.  
ABSENT: " None.

Oral communications were next in order.

Mr. Arthur in the audience protested against the cutting of trees along the Plaza del Amo behind the school building.

Trustee Steiner replied to Mr. Arthur that protests should have been made before the work had been started. No action was taken.

A gentlemen in the audience spoke in behalf of a bonding company with reference to the sale of water bonds.

Trustee Nelson stated that he did not think the Council knew just what they were going to do, whether they would advertise for bids or not, but thought something should be decided on tonight.

Trustee Smith moved that the question of how the bonds would be sold and paid be turned over to the Finance Committee, consisting of Trustees Bell, Nelson and Smith, and reported on at the next regular meeting.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. R. Jensen, Attorney for the Water Company, asked the Council to consider meeting with the Water Company's officials within the next day or two, for the purpose of discussing the question of purchasing the present Torrance system. As the officials are leaving in a few days for the east, an early arrangement would be appreciated.

Trustee Steiner stated that he did not think the Council was in a position to act at this time, but moved that the City Clerk be instructed to receive and file any proposition made by the Water Company, to be acted upon at a future date.

After a lengthy discussion on the matter, Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith and Steiner.  
NOES: " Dennis.  
ABSENT: " None.

A meeting with the Water Company's officials was set for Wednesday morning, October 1st., 1930, at 9:30 A. M. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Trustee Steiner moved that warrants be drawn, for all bills, properly audited.

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

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.  
NOES: " None.  
ABSENT: " None.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

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

Approved:

John Dennis  
Mayor of the City of Torrance.