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Torrance, California.  
September 26th., 1933.

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

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday, September 26th., 1933.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Klusman at 7:45 P.M.

City Clerk Bartlett called the roll. Those answering present were Councilmen: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. Absent: Councilman: None.

At the request of the Mayor, Clerk Bartlett read the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12th., 1933. It was moved by Councilman Ludlow, seconded by Councilman Conner, and carried, that the minutes be approved as read.

Councilman Wright moved the Mayor's chair be declared vacant. Councilmen Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow and Wright seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow and Wright. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Councilman Ludlow act as temporary chairman. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow and Wright. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Klusman relinquished his chair to Councilman Ludlow who then called the meeting to order. Councilman Hitchcock moved that Councilman Earl Conner be appointed Mayor. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow and Wright. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None. Councilman Conner not voting.

Councilman Conner then took the Mayor's chair. He expressed his appreciation of the honor and said he would conduct the office to the best of his ability.

Mayor Conner stated this is the time set to open bids for a light 5-passenger Sedan as advertised. Clerk Bartlett opened and read the following bids:

Schultz & Peckham	Ford Standard Sedan	\$758.50
" " "	Ford Deluxe Sedan	812.85
Credit allowance on Buick	\$200.00	
Torrance Motor Company	Master Six Chevrolet Sedan	\$754.00
Less factory discount		56.50
	Net	\$697.50
Torrance Motor Company (Same Car)		\$754.00
Less allowance on Buick Sedan of		200.00
		<u>\$554.00</u>
Less factory discount		36.50
	Net	\$517.50
Allen H. Paull	Standard Plymouth	\$710.00
" " "	Deluxe Plymouth	\$812.00
Wood wheels and semi-air tires 16 x 600	\$25.00 extra.	
Standard DeSota		\$1000.00
\$200.00 allowance on the Buick on each car.		

Mayor Conner stated he would recommend action be deferred as the Police Chief is on a vacation and I believe the Board should consider the Chief's recommendation. Councilman Hitchcock moved the matter be deferred to the next meeting night. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Office of the Sheriff referring to changes in the Lomita Constable's office. Mayor Conner thought it would be well to notify those interested that this letter is on file.

A communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce was read expressing appreciation for the installation of several drinking fountains throughout the shopping district.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the General Petroleum Corporation addressed to the City Treasurer and statement therewith for the six months' period ended June 30, 1933, as required under the provisions of Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 781.

A communication was read from the General Petroleum Corporation addressed to Mr. F.R. Leonard, City Engineer, advising that an extension of ninety (90) days from September 20, 1933, would be granted the city within which to make the payment of \$9000.00 to cover the cost of fencing the proposed extension of Cedar Avenue across their property.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Standard Oil Company of California addressed to Mr. F.R. Leonard, City Engineer, stating that treating of their pipe lines across Torrance Boulevard would be taken care of as soon as the County advanced the \$1500.00 to the City of Torrance to cover the cost of the same. The Engineer stated that he had sent the County Road Commissioner a copy of this letter.

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An application for beverage license was read from A.B.C. Distributors. Councilman Hitchcock moved this license be granted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried, Councilman Wright, voting no.

Mayor Conner asked permission to defer naming of any committees until next meeting.

Councilman Hitchcock stated he would like to hear from Engineer Leonard as to provision made to furnish water to the trees on Torrance Boulevard. Engineer Leonard stated that a pipe line should be laid along Torrance Boulevard to supply water provided the Council decided to put in the lawns at the present time but that if this work was deferred that water could be furnished for the trees at the present time by water wagon, that the expense to provide lawns and pipe line for irrigating would be around \$350.00. Councilman Hitchcock believed it a wise thing to defer planting lawn and flowers in the Torrance Boulevard parks until a little later, as funds for this purpose were limited.

Councilman Ludlow moved we authorize Mr. Lock to issue insurance covering the automobile fleet for the coming year. Due to some discussion Councilman Ludlow withdrew his motion. Councilman Ludlow again moved that we authorize Mr. Lock to issue insurance to the city covering the automobile fleet for the coming year. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow and Wright. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman and Conner. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The Committee appointed to investigate a site for the Girl Scouts reported they had investigated the park site, but had another lot in view. Mayor Conner recommended the Committee investigate and determine on the lot and make recommendation at the next meeting.

Clerk Bartlett announced that a request had been made to hold a mass meeting of unemployed on lot back of Justice Court on Marcelina, Thursday night. Councilman Klusman moved the request be granted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Engineer Leonard stated it had been called to his attention that the fog strip on Western Avenue is very faint and needed to be repainted. Councilman Hitchcock moved an appropriation be allotted not to exceed \$50.00 for the above work. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Ludlow inquired if the City Clerk was in touch with lot owners in regard to sidewalk in front of lots on Arlington Avenue north of Plaza Del Amo. Clerk Bartlett reported he had found the name of the owner of the lots but had not been able to get his address as yet.

Councilman Ludlow made a report of the meeting of the State League of Municipalities stating he had attended the general assemblies and clerks meetings and found them very instructive and it was worth while to send the City Clerk and City Attorney to these meetings.

Attorney Jensen reported he attended the City Attorney's section of the meeting and many important questions in regard to cities of the Sixth Class were discussed.

Oral Communications:

Mr. Sam Levy spoke in regard to the R.F.D. Loan Application.

Mr. Beach stated he had heard a request for permit to hold a mass meeting passed on by the Council and wanted to voice a warning in regard to the wide spread communism over the Country and that this meeting was not originated by the Veterans' Relief. Mayor Conner thanked Mr. Beach for these remarks and stated he was under the impression that it was Mr. Beach's group of unemployed that was making the request.

Councilman Ludlow moved that warrants be drawn and registered on all bills properly audited. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of the vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Conner declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

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

Approved:

S. Earl Conner  
Mayor of the City of Torrance.