

Torrance, California.
March 27th., 1934.

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, March 27th., 1934.

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

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

Councilman Klusman moved the minutes of the regular meeting of March 13th., 1934, be approved as written. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Walter E. Morris, Manager, Lomita Baseball Club, applying for a quarterly license to conduct dances at the Recreation Hall, 1951 Carson Street. Councilman Stanger moved a temporary license be issued. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from B.B. Schott requesting permit to conduct free dancing in connection with Cafe located at 24423-25 Hawthorne Avenue. After some discussion, Councilman Klusman moved we grant this request. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors together with a resolution authorizing an appropriation toward the improvement of Torrance Boulevard. Engineer Leonard reported that the work on Torrance Boulevard had started and that he had taken up with the County and the Federal Employment Bureau the matter of employing Torrance men and had been informed that only about 20 men would be needed on the job when work was under way, that at the present time six Torrance men had been requested to report and that Torrance men would be called provided they could do the work of spreading the asphalt.

Clerk Bartlett stated Councilman Wright requested him to read a petition filed sometime ago regarding the proposed water system. He then read this petition. Councilman Wright stated a number of people that signed the petition did not understand just what it covered.

City Clerk Bartlett called attention to the exhibit of drawings and toys made by the children attending the playgrounds and introduced Miss Odell, director of the playgrounds, who stated the work was done by children 8 to 14 years of age. She also stated they needed more equipment to carry on this work. Councilman Klusman moved that we appropriate \$15.00. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Wright and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy stated there were two amendments to the Oilfield Fire Ordinance and read the title and amendments to

ORDINANCE NO. 248

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROVIDING FOR OILFIELD FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, ISSUANCE OF PERMITS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the further reading of the Ordinance be dispensed with. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Councilman Hitchcock moved Ordinance No. 248 as amended be adopted for its first reading. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Klusman stated the city affairs were in the hands of the Mayor and another Councilman, and moved that the Council take a vote that the Mayor distribute these commissions. The motion was lost for want of a second.

Mayor Ludlow stated the hearing of Mrs. Esparza was to be held at this time. Attorney Rippy reported she had been tried and found guilty and ordered to leave town but apparently she had come back as she was now in the County Jail.

Mayor Ludlow asked regarding the fire hydrant at Pueblo. Clerk Bartlett reported that Mr. Quandt had agreed to fix a hydrant and check the over flow of a tank at Walteria. Fire Chief Stevenson reported a fire plug in Pueblo was in working order.

Mayor Ludlow reported that we received from the Southern California Edison Company \$966.75 for franchise earnings.

Clerk Bartlett reported that tonight is the last meeting night before the election, that this Council would meet Tuesday evening at 7:45 P.M. April 10th., 1934 and adjourn to April 16th., 1934 to canvass the votes.

Mayor Ludlow stated regarding C.W.A. projects, that the City Clerk and City Engineer had been asked to secure information from our Los Angeles County League of Municipalities. Clerk Bartlett reported he had been in touch with League officials and they had nothing definite to report at present.

Councilman Klusman moved that the Council should join the Los Angeles County League of Municipalities. Clerk Bartlett requested the Council authorize payment of \$20.00 dues starting April 1st., 1934. Councilman Klusman moved the Clerk be authorized to pay \$20.00 for membership dues in the League. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Wright and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Ludlow suggested the word "slow" be painted at street and boulevard intersections where necessary, and recommended the police and street departments to check up and have this work done and report at next meeting.

Oral Communications:

Mr. Junior and Mr. Conner spoke with reference to employment of Torrance men on projects sponsored by the County.

Engineer Leonard was asked by Mayor Ludlow concerning future plans for Federal relief work after the first of April. The Engineer stated that he was informed this afternoon by C.W.A. officials that no instructions had been received from Washington relative to carrying on the work except that it was definitely known that sewer and storm drains projects already under way would be completed and that very few projects would be taken on unless the cities sponsoring the projects would furnish the material necessary to carry on the work.

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

Councilman Wright moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Ludlow declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

A. H. Bartlett

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

J. R. Ludlow

Mayor of the City of Torrance.