

Torrance, California.  
May 22nd., 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, May 22nd., 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: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. Absent: Councilman: Hitchcock.

City Clerk Bartlett read the minutes of the regular meeting of May 8th., 1934. Councilman Stanger moved the minutes be approved as read. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A request from Rev. J.W. Burbery, 1607 Montana Street, Los Angeles, California, in behalf of the Centinnella District Foursquare Churches, for the use of the city bus Memorial Day, Wednesday, May 30, was read. After some discussion, Councilman Stanger moved that we grant this request and in the meantime draw up definite rules to cover the use of the bus. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which resulted in a tie vote, Councilmen Klusman and Stanger voting yes, Councilmen Tolson and Ludlow voting no. Absent: Councilman Hitchcock.

A communication from Miss Odell was read requesting provision be made to furnish gas and oil to Jack Harmon who has been working at the playground in Walteria. Councilman Klusman moved gas and oil be furnished Jack Harmon during Miss Odell's term of injury. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES:  
COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce calling attention to the incomplete and unsightly condition of Cabrillo Avenue. Mayor Ludlow thought it wise to appoint a committee to investigate. He then appointed Councilman Klusman, Attorney Rippy and Engineer Leonard.

A communication was read from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce calling attention to the unsightliness of the site now being used as a dump and City Yard, and requesting consideration to eliminate this condition. Councilman Stanger moved this communication be tabled for two weeks. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the League of California Municipalities calling attention to important activities needing immediate and continuous action by the League on behalf of the City of Torrance, and suggesting that a resolution for use in engaging the services of the League be drawn.

RESOLUTION NO. 623

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ENGAGING CERTAIN SPECIAL SERVICES OF THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPALITIES AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT THEREFOR.

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 623 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

A communication was read from Arroyo Verdugo Association of Glendale asking the city council to pass a resolution assisting the Board of Supervisors and Los Angeles County Flood Control Engineers in obtaining from the Federal Government an appropriation of \$77,000,000 to protect all districts in Los Angeles County from future flood danger.

City Clerk Bartlett read RESOLUTION NO. 624

URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO MAKE APPROPRIATION

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 624 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Division of Highways. Engineer Leonard stated this was in connection with request made to have traffic stripes painted on Riverside-Redondo Boulevard.

A communication was read from the California State Automobile Association with reference to work done in the past to provide for California an adequate system of street and highway markings and of securing uniformity between the State, the Counties and the various municipalities and stating this Association will continue to function in this field.

Attorney Rippy read

ORDINANCE NO. 253

CREATING POSITIONS OF CALL FIREMEN, PART TIME FIREMEN AND PART TIME PATROLMEN.

Councilman Stanger moved that Ordinance No. 253 be approved for its second reading. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

Attorney Rippy read

RESOLUTION NO. 625

AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE  
DEPARTMENT TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS  
AND PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 247.

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 625 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES:  
COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

Attorney Rippy stated he had received a letter from Mr. Leech of the Bank of America with reference to a check stolen from Clerk's office and read the same.

Attorney Rippy stated he had a resolution that came up at the meeting of May 8th and referred to him in regard to recommending an amendment to the Civil Code in order to protect industries located in their proper zone.

Attorney Rippy stated he had a memorandum signed by Engineer Leonard and himself with reference to a request from the California Water Service Company for a franchise and read the same. Councilman Stanger moved that a hearing be granted the California Water Service Company and the date be set. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Rippy presented another Resolution and read

RESOLUTION NO. 626

REQUESTING THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS  
APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO AID LOS ANGELES  
COUNTY A. & I. DISTRICTS NOS. 122 AND 213.

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 626 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES:  
COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

Councilman Stanger further stated a trip was made to Mr. Venable's place in reference to purchase of a lot, and then moved the City of Torrance purchase Lot 35, Block A, Tract No. 7506. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

Attorney Rippy reported the Venable property title was cleared with exception of one year's taxes.

Councilman Stanger reported the City Truck was returned yesterday and said Mr. Colton of the Board of Underwriters wished to convey his congratulations to the city in regard to the improvement in the City of Torrance Fire Department.

Councilman Stanger stated the Police and Fire Department have their camera for which \$65.00 was granted but of which only \$42.00 was spent, and that the camera was working fine.

Councilman Tolson reported gas connection for the hot water heater in the park was to be made. Mayor Ludlow asked about an enclosure around the gas connection.

Councilman Stanger moved the City of Torrance rent a scarifier, tractor and road scraper to the first of July for the sum of \$1.00. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES:  
COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

Councilman Stanger stated that the approximate cost of a building to house the fire truck in Walteria is \$750.00. He then moved this building be started immediately and put in charge of an efficient contractor and use unemployed labor in building it. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Hitchcock.

City Clerk Bartlett reported on licensing of gasoline trucks, that the cities of Compton, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and El Segundo do not collect a license but that Redondo Beach collects \$50.00 per year a truck and \$20.00 per year for each Station. Clerk Bartlett was instructed to obtain a further report on this.

Mayor Ludlow gave a report regarding the sewer meeting. Also he stated a visit had been made to a bond broker, that bonds are beginning to get a little more active, certain types of bonds are better than they were.

Mayor Ludlow brought up the subject of the continuation of Cedar Avenue, the road across the General Petroleum Corporation property. Engineer Leonard reported this matter was taken up today with the General Petroleum and we were given every assurance that the cost of the fence had not been changed.

Mayor Ludlow called attention to the matter of the Board of Supervisors consolidating the different townships and it was suggested a resolution be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors from the City of Torrance stating it was opposed to this consolidation. Councilman Stanger moved City Attorney Rippy be authorized to draw up a Resolution in protest to the action proposed to be taken by the Board of Supervisors and the resolution be now adopted. Attorney Rippy then read

RESOLUTION NO. 627

RESOLUTION PROTESTING AGAINST ACTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONSOLIDATING LOMITA TOWNSHIP WITH INGLEWOOD AND OTHER TOWNSHIPS.

Councilman Tolson then seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Torrance has been informed that Louis Zamperini, a Torrance High School student, has recently run a mile in 4 minutes 21.3 seconds, breaking the World's Record of eighteen years standing of 4 minutes 23.6 seconds, and winning the Southern California High School Championship for runners of this class, and

WHEREAS, the Council is further informed that Louis Zamperini has won all races in which he has been entered during the past three years as a high school student, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Torrance hereby congratulates Louis Zamperini upon his remarkable feats and extends to him the best wishes of the City Council for his continued success as a runner and representative of the City of Torrance, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Clerk forward a copy of this Resolution to said Louis Zamperini, and that it be spread upon the minutes of this Council."

Councilman Klusman moved that the above Resolution be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

## Oral communications:

Mr. McManus protested against the plan of drawing names for work at the City Yard.

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

Councilman Tolson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Ludlow declared the meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

A. H. Bartlett

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

L. R. Ludlow

Mayor of the City of Torrance.