

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,
July 3, 1923.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, July 3, 1923, and was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by President Gilbert. The following Trustees were present: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert. Absent: Stone.

The minutes of the adjourned, regular meeting of June 27, 1923 were read and approved as read.

On motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote, the regular order of business was suspended.

President Gilbert stated that, as the Board had decided on the brand of hose they desired to buy and as the hose representative was, no doubt, anxious to get away, this matter would be taken up at once. On learning that the Fire Chief recommended the Trojan brand made by the Eureka Fire Hose Co., Trustee Proctor moved that the bid of said company be accepted and that 500 feet of Trojan hose be purchased at the price of \$1.20 per foot, and that all other bids be rejected. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

The regular order of business was resumed.

The letter from Madam Enola MacIntyre, applying for a license to conduct a school of dancing, was referred to the City Clerk for action.

A report from a committee to their Board of Directors read:

"To the Honorable Board of Directors of
The Torrance Chamber of Commerce,
Torrance, California.
Gentlemen:

We beg leave to report and recommend that the pavement on Western Avenue be thirty (30) feet wide, and that a bond issue be voted to be taken care of by the entire City of Torrance to cover the expenses of this paving.

This recommendation is made in view of the fact that the City of Los Angeles is now paving the two (2) mile strip between Slauson Avenue and Manchester, and that they have recently put a sub-base in the half mile strip between Electric Avenue and 190th Street, which, when completed, and we have the assurance that the same will be completed, will give us a Western Avenue from the mountains to the sea, something that Torrance has long dreamed of, and now sees the contemplated completion of in the very near future, and the Committee is further assured that the County will pave the strip between 190th Street and the northern limits of Torrance.

Respectfully submitted,
Signed: J. C. McVey,
George Peckham,

Approved by 10 members of the Board of Directors. Action on above was taken later in the meeting.

Mr. Reece, of the local American Legion, requested permission to stage a fair and fiesta in the City from July 31 to August 5th, and asked that the customary police protection be accorded.

Trustee Proctor moved that the request be granted with the proviso that no outside concessions be allowed in the streets, also that no unworthy amusements be countenanced. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Mr. Hemmi complained of the condition of 220th Street on account of same being broken up by heavily loaded trucks. It was explained that the street would be fixed up after the completion of the work on Arlington as Trustee Proctor would look after it.

Chief Hannebrink advised the purchase of a hose expander for repairing of the fire hose, as it could then be done without sending it to Los Angeles; that same would cost about \$22.50.

Trustee Proctor moved that a 2½ inch hose expander and 3 dozen rings be purchased. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

In the matter of paving Anapola, Mr. Leatherman stated that Willite had been definitely specified by the property owners at their last meeting, and that they also wanted to make the water question as strong and impressive as possible to the Board.

Mr. Bettin displayed pictures and explained the work his tractor would do for rock macadam streets, claiming it to be a four-in-one machine; that it was of no value on a permanent street, but that for keeping oil macadam in good shape, it could not be beat. Cost was \$6500.00.

Trustee Fitzhugh reported that the matter of changing property from one zone to another would be taken up very soon. It being reported that Mr. Osburn had returned.

City Engineer Jessup reported that the question of better water supply for the Anapola district would be taken up immediately;

that he had been over Western Avenue with the Chamber of Commerce committee and endorsed their report; that the pavement should be 26 feet wide covered by a bond issue on the whole City; that the curbs and shoulders should be taken care of by the property owners along the street;

that the lighting project was in about the same position as Western Avenue; that the approximate cost of lighting the whole City inside of Torrance Tract would be \$75000.00, this included 450 lights, whereas at present, only 90 lights were being used.

It seemed to be the general opinion that the Western Avenue paving and the City Hall propositions should be taken up at the next forum meeting of the Chamber of Commerce.

Trustee Proctor moved that the report on Western Avenue by the Chamber of Commerce committee be recognized and that further action be deferred until after forum meeting of C. of C. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The following written report was read by Clerk Bartlett:
"Gentlemen:

The work of constructing the Firehouse and jail having been completed by the Brewer Construction Co., the final payment therefor is now payable.

Total contract cost	\$6915.00
Excluding extra work there has been	
paid on said contract the sum of	<u>5877.75</u>
Balance payable	\$1037.25

Respectfully submitted,
Signed: J. J. Jessup,
City Engineer."

Trustee Nash moved that the above amount of \$1037.75 be paid to the Brewer Construction Co. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

The Recorder's report for the month of June showed \$315.00 as fines collected.

Trustee Proctor moved the report be accepted and placed on file and the money put in the bank. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Clerk Bartlett reported building permits for June amounted to \$351,800.00. For last six months \$1,051,505.00.

Attorney Briney dictated:

RESOLUTION NO. 125

RESOLVED, That Resolutions numbered 118 and 119 be, and the same are hereby, rescinded.

Trustee Mash moved that Resolution No. 125 be adopted, and a copy of same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 126

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMAPOLA DISTRICT SPECIFICATIONS

Trustee Proctor moved that Resolution No. 126 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 127

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO IMPROVE AMAPOLA AVENUE AND INTERSECTING STREETS BETWEEN MADRID AVENUE AND COTA AVENUE (REPLACING NO. 119)

Trustee Proctor moved that Resolution of Intention No. 127 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the hearing, protesting against the issuance of bonds for the Arlington Avenue work, be continued until the meeting of July 17, 1923. Trustee Nash seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The City Engineer was instructed to take up the matter of some kind of a muffler for making the exhaust of oil wellengines less offensive.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Nash, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Stone.

At 10:00 P.M. on motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Nash, and a majority vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Albert H. Bantley
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

W. H. Gilbert
President of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.