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

Torrance, California,  
February 5, 1924.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, February 5, 1924, and was called to order at 7 P. M. by President Gilbert. The following Trustees were present: Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert. Absent: Fitzhugh and Smith.

The regular order of business was suspended in order to open bids on a number of items, as advertised.

On decomposed rock the following four bids were received:

- Butterfield-Sears Company, San Pedro, Cal.  
Decomposed granite, in the City of Torrance, \$2.90 Cu. Yd.
- H. Lewis, Los Angeles, Cal.  
Decomposed granite, in the City of Torrance, \$2.70 Cu. Yd.
- D & S. Trucking, Torrance, Cal.  
Decomposed granite, in the City of Torrance, \$1.92 per ton.
- C. B. Hollingsworth & Co., San Pedro, Cal.  
Decomposed rock, in the City of Torrance, \$1.60 Cu. Yd.

No action was taken on above bids for the time being.

On Rock Screenings two bids were received:

- American Crushed Rock Co., Los Angeles, Cal.  
Crushed rock screenings, f.o.b. Torrance \$1.65 per ton.
- Crittenden & Sons, Lomita, Cal.  
Crushed rock screenings, f.o.b. Torrance, \$2.10 per ton.

Trustee Proctor moved that the bid of the American Crushed Rock Co. of \$1.65 per ton be accepted, and all other bids rejected. Trustee Zeller seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Trustees: Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.
- NOES: Trustees: None.
- ABSENT: Trustees: Fitzhugh and Smith.

For a Road Roller, the two bids were: Schultz, Peckham & Schultz, Torrance.

A 4-ton, three wheel road roller, as described in their letter, f.o.b. Torrance - - - - - \$1885.00

The Galion Iron Works & Mfg. Co., Inglewood, Cal.  
A 4-ton, three wheel road roller, as shown in attached blue print, - - - - - \$1785.00

(Trustee Fitzhugh arrived at 7:35 P.M.)

The former being ready for immediate delivery, and the latter having to be shipped from the East, Trustee Zeller moved that the bid of Schultz, Peckham & Schultz for the above road roller, be accepted, and all other bids rejected. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.
- NOES: Trustees: None.
- ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

Bids for 700 feet of Fire Hose follows:

- Pioneer Rubber Mills, San Francisco, Cal.  
2½" Guardian Double Jacket Cotton Rubber Lined Fire Hose, complete with couplings - - - - - \$1.00 per ft.

American Rubber Manufacturing Co., San Francisco, Cal.  
 2½" D.J. Wawona - - - - - \$1.00 per ft.

United States Rubber Co. Eureka Fire Hose Dept., Los Angeles, Cal.

2½" Paragon - - - - - \$1.50 per ft.  
 2½" Trojan Jacket - - - - - 1.30 " "  
 2½" Blue Queen Jacket - - - - - 1.20 " "  
 2½" Northern Jacket - - - - - 1.10 " "  
 2½" Pacific Jacket - - - - - 1.00 " "

J. B. Wood Tire & Rubber Co., Los Angeles, Cal.  
 2½" Hewitt Heavy Municipal Fire Hose \$1.10 per ft.

On motion by Trustee Fitzhugh, seconded by Trustee Zeller, and a majority vote, the hose question was referred to the Fire Chief and the Fire Committee for further investigation and recommendations.

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Only one bid for Road Oil, same being from the Gilmore Oil Co., Los Angeles, Cal. was received. Said bid offered to furnish 300 to 500 Bbls. 90-95% Asphaltic Road Oil at \$3.61 per 42 Gal. Barrel.

Trustee Proctor moved that the bid of the Gilmore Oil Co. for road oil be accepted. Trustee Zeller seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:  
 AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
 NOES: Trustees: None.  
 ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

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Trustee Proctor moved that the bid of C. B. Hollingsworth & Co. for decomposed granite at \$1.60 per cubic yard, f.o.b. job be accepted and all other bids be rejected. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:  
 AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
 NOES: Trustees: None  
 ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

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The regular order of business was resumed by the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 1924, which were approved as read.

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The Santa Fe and Los Angeles Harbor Railway Company again filed their application with the City Clerk requesting a permit to cross an unnamed road between Huntington Street and Redondo-Torrance Road after investigations having proved said road to be under the jurisdiction of the City.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the permit be granted providing safety devices can be demanded at any time they become necessary. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the City Clerk be instructed to advise the Santa Fe Co. immediately of the action of the Board in the matter of the foregoing permit and that printed copies of the Ordinance would be forwarded as soon as possible. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried.

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Clerk Bartlett read an application for franchise for a pipe line to transport oil, water, gas, steam and other substances along and across certain streets as delineated, also stating that at the time of the granting of a former franchise, the telephone pole line had been left out and prayed that the said telephone pole franchise be included in this franchise.

Above application was signed by the PETROLEUM MIDWAY CO. LTD.  
By S. C. Bryant.

Trustee Proctor moved that the Clerk be instructed to advertise for bids for a pole and pipe line franchise as per the Petroleum Midway Co. request. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
NOES: Trustees: None.  
ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

The letter from the City Planning Commission of Los Angeles announcing conference dates as April 7, 8, 9 and 10 inclusive, was referred to the Street Committee for recommendations on motion by Trustee Fitzhugh, seconded by Trustee Zeller, and a majority vote.

Mr. Corey, Consulting Engineer, and Mr. Warren of the County Surveyor's office gave interesting talks on the proposed plan for sewage disposal from the foot hills to the sea. The idea was for both incorporated and unincorporated districts to go in together and form an assessment district to pay the cost of a common pipe line to the sea, the cost not to exceed 35 cents per hundred of valuation and diminishing each year to a certain degree. They gave a very comprehensive explanation of the sewer needs, present and to come, of this whole section, claiming that the population was increasing by leaps and bounds and that it behooved the present administrations municipal, to think the matter over very thoroughly.

On motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Zeller, and a majority vote, the President appointed the Sewer Committee and the Engineer as a Committee to report their findings on the above matter at the next meeting.

Trustee Fitzhugh reported that Ordinances for hauling nitroglycerine through the City, boulevard stops and changing of meeting nights of the Board were ready.

Trustee Proctor moved that the City Engineer be authorized to proceed with the work of street repairs in the oil district, leaving to him the matter of material, tools and labor. Trustee Zeller seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
NOES: Trustees: None  
ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

The extension of water mains in the southern part of the City was again discussed, being brought up in Mr. Jessup's report, and he explaining that the idea was for the City to go 50-50 with the Torrance Water, Light and Power Co. as to the expense, the finished job to be turned over to the Water Co. for use only and not to be charged for if the City ever saw fit to purchase the water system.

Trustee Proctor moved that the Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids for the necessary pipe for the water extension on Arlington Avenue and adjacent streets from Plaza del Amo to Camino Real. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
NOES: Trustees: None.  
ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the Engineer be authorized to proceed with the work of moving the booster pump to its new location on the south side of Carson Street opposite Cota Avenue, and making any necessary negotiations. Trustee Zeller seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:  
 AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
 NOES: Trustees: None.  
 ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

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A report from the absent Trustee Smith through Trustee Proctor, mentioned that lights at Arlington and Carson were not burning, also the painting of signs at the intersection of Arlington Avenue and Camino Real, which latter was left to Trustee Proctor.

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It appears that the Jerry Lyon Gas Station has become a public filling station instead of the private station first contemplated, consequently Mr. Lyon is liable for an Occupation license under that head.

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The boulevard stop Ordinance was held up for more information as to its workableness and on motion by Trustee Zeller, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote, was referred to the Street Committee for recommendations.

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The City Recorder reported, through Clerk Bartlett, Fines for December \$852.50 and for January \$1,017.00.

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The City Clerk reported Oil District Road Fund collections to date \$8,000.00.  
 Building Permits \$101,520.00; Oil Derricks \$15,000.00.

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Trustee Fitzhugh introduced:

- Ordinance No. 77 amending Ordinance No. 15.
- " No. 78 classifying property.
- " No. 79 regulating transportation of high explosives.
- " No. 80 granting franchise to Western Sheet Glass Company.
- " No. 81 granting franchise to Associated Oil Co.

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Trustee Proctor moved that all bills properly audited be paid. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was carried by the following roll call vote:  
 AYES: Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.  
 NOES: None.  
 ABSENT: Trustee Smith.

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At 10:30 P. M., on motion of Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Zeller and a majority vote, the meeting adjourned.

*Albert H. Bartlett*  
 City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

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