

Torrance, California.
February 5, 1929.

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

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, February 5, 1929, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Trustees were present: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
Absent: Inman and Raymond.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 1929 were read and approved as read.

A communication from the Shell Oil Company, formerly Shell Company of California, was read, advising of change of name and suggesting that franchises, permits, etc. be assigned from the Shell Company of California to Shell Oil Company.

A request from Alejo Alcalá for permission to operate a pool hall at 2231 203rd St. in the Pueblo was read.

A request from Jesus Fernandez for permission to operate a pool hall at 2237 203rd St. in the Pueblo was also read.

It was moved by Trustee Wolfe, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, and carried by a unanimous vote, that both requests for pool halls be denied.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County was read, stating that the name of Dominguez Street had been changed to 190th Street, in accordance with request of the City of Torrance.

A communication from the City Clerk of the City of Los Angeles was read, advising that the communication from the City Engineer of Torrance, transmitting resolution requesting consent of the City of Los Angeles for the institution of proceedings for opening, widening and improvement of Sepulveda Boulevard, had been referred to the City Engineer and Public Works Committee for report.

A communication from the Union Oil Company, inclosing revised application for franchise and requesting that same be substituted for previous application, was read.

The City Engineer stated that he could see no objection to granting the request.

A letter from Herbert S. Wood, Principal of Torrance High School, was read, concerning the use of fireworks in school buildings about two weeks before the close of school each year, and suggesting that the sale of fireworks be prohibited until about a week before the Fourth of July. This communication was laid over for further consideration.

Protests from the Woman's Club, American Legion and Student Body were read, regarding advertising boards.

Trustee Maxwell moved that the request of the Foster & Kleiser Co. to locate advertising boards be tabled. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by a unanimous vote.

A communication from C. A. Benzel, who resides at 2815 Andreo Avenue, was read, complaining about the lack of street lights in his vicinity and also stating that in case of fire there was not adequate protection, as the Fire Dept. carries only 1000 feet of hose, which would not reach from the nearest fire plug to several of the houses in the district.

Engineer Leonard stated that there are no cast iron water pipes to serve a fire hydrant in that section, and the matter would have to be taken up with the Water Company.

The matter was referred to the City Engineer.

A communication from the Pacific Electric Railway Company, giving estimates of cost of paving crossings was read.

Engineer Leonard explained that this comprises the paving of crossings on Cabrillo and on Redondo from Cravens Avenue east, but not including Cravens Avenue.

Mr. Carl Hyde reported that the Business Men's Assn. desired the Council to have the committee previously appointed by Mayor Dennis approach the Pacific Electric officials in regard to the realignment of the P. E. tracks on Cabrillo Avenue, as originally suggested by Mr. Pontius, of the Pacific Electric Railway Company.

Mr. J. R. Jensen presented a petition, signed by 25 property owners, protesting against the location of certain buildings being moved in on Lot 15, Block 84. He explained, however, that he had been informed that the buildings would be improved.

Engineer Leonard stated that the houses, when completed, will be in satisfactory condition.

Mr. C. A. Benzel presented a sketch of the section bounded by Andreo, Gramercy, Santa Fe and the old Redondo Road, showing sump holes which are dangerous to people and dogs.

The City Engineer stated that immediate steps would be taken to protect the public and that the owners would be notified to take care of the condition.

A man applied for permission to locate a soft drink parlor and sandwich stand in Hayes' billiard hall on Cabrillo Avenue.

It was moved by Trustee Wolfe that the matter be laid over for investigation and report at the next meeting.

Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was carried.

A man requested permission to operate a junk yard on 213th St. The matter was laid over for investigation.

Another man requested permission to operate a junk business, stating that the junk would be kept in a building on Carson Street. He was referred to the City Clerk for a license.

The Mayor brought up the question of the petition regarding goats and dogs.

City Clerk Bartlett reported that he had checked the petition, which was signed by fifty people.

Trustee Wolfe moved that the petition be tabled. The motion was seconded by Trustee Maxwell, and carried unanimously.

Street Superintendent Gascoigne reported that Mr. Getz no longer cared to obtain salvage from the City dump, and therefore his request for exclusive right was withdrawn.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 398

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Torrance that Resolution No. 397 be rescinded.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell, and seconded by Trustee Wolfe that Resolution No. 398 be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 399

RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENTION TO GRANT FRANCHISE
 TO INSTALL PIPE LINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH REVISED
 APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell, seconded by Trustee Wolfe, that Resolution No. 399 be adopted, and this motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

The City Clerk stated that the Pueblo Land Company had bought hydrants and installed them on City property in the Pueblo. Some repairs had been made on these hydrants, and the Pueblo Land Company desired that the City pay these bills, as this Company pays the monthly bill to the water company.

City Engineer Leonard explained that the charge was only a little over \$5.00.

City Attorney Briney suggested that it would be in order to pay for these repairs, inasmuch as the City does not pay the monthly charge.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that the request of the Pueblo Land Company be granted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

City Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 400
RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE CHANGING THE NAMES OF CERTAIN
STREETS.

Trustee Maxwell moved that Resolution No. 400 be adopted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

The City Engineer said that Mr. Isenstein wished to buy about 15 of the old light standards from the City and install them in the Pueblo. Mr. Isenstein was to pay for the standards and installation, and the City to pay the monthly lighting bills.

The Council decided to investigate the matter before coming to a final decision.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 401
ACCEPTING MAP OF TRACT NO. 10304

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell, seconded by Trustee Wolfe, that Resolution No. 401 be adopted. This motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Dr. Smiley presented a Resolution, which all but six cities of the County have adopted, concerning Senate Bill No. 652, requesting appropriation of \$65,000 by the State to handle sewage and waste disposal and treatment.

City Engineer Leonard suggested that the Resolution be adopted. City Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 402
RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
TO APPROPRIATE \$65,000 TO HANDLE DISPOSAL OF
SEWAGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE.

Trustee Maxwell moved that Resolution No. 402 be adopted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 403.

BE IT RESOLVED by this City Council that Resolution No. 395 be and the same is hereby rescinded.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that Resolution No. 403 be adopted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 404

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ORDER THE IMPROVEMENT OF PORTIONS OF DOMINGUEZ STREET AND PORTIONS OF OTHER STREETS: DECLARING THE WORK OR IMPROVEMENT TO BE OF MORE THAN LOCAL OR ORDINARY PUBLIC BENEFIT, AND THAT THE COST AND EXPENSES OF SAID WORK AND IMPROVEMENT SHALL BE ASSESSED UPON A DISTRICT AND DETERMINING THAT BONDS SHALL BE ISSUED TO REPRESENT THE COSTS AND EXPENSES THEREOF, AND FIXING THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING OBJECTIONS TO SAID WORK OR IMPROVEMENT.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that Resolution No. 404 be adopted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

The City Clerk read a communication from the County Health Dept. regarding their contract with the City, to run from January 1, 1929 to June 30, 1931; \$1000 for the first year, and the remainder at the rate of \$1200 per year.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that the contract be entered into by the City. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Trustee Wolfe made a motion that the City Council notify the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County that Torrance withdraws from the assessment district of the proposed Hollywood - Balos Verdes Parkway. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Engineer Leonard stated that he had an application from the Beacon Drug Store to put a Neon sign on their building, which would extend out four or five feet.

It was moved by Trustee Wolfe that the request be granted. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

On motion by Trustee Wolfe, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 P. M.

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

Approved:

J. H. Dennis
Mayor of the City of Torrance.