

Torrance, California
March 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 the City of Torrance, March 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 adjourned regular meeting of February 26, 1929, were read and approved after a slight correction.

A letter from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, under date of February 25, 1929, was read, advising of the contemplated improvement of parking strips in the business district with concrete cement where such improvement does not already exist, and requesting the City to rehabilitate broken curbs. Engineer Leonard explained that curbs had been broken in several places where trees had been removed, and he stated that he believed the cost of such repairs would be small.

A communication from the Torrance Water, Light & Power Company, dated February 26, 1929, was read, explaining that the pipe stored on their lot on Madrid Avenue, against which complaints had been made, would be removed as soon as another location could be found.

Another communication from the Torrance Water, Light & Power Company, dated March 5, 1929, was read, requesting permission to construct a galvanized iron garage on the rear of Lot 16, Block 8.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that the City Engineer advise the Water Company that such a building could not be erected on the lot mentioned. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by an unanimous vote.

The City Clerk presented an agreement, dated February 25, 1929, between the Southern California Edison Company and the City of Torrance, regarding the installation of fifty-one (51) overhead lights and two (2) multiple unit lights in the City of Torrance.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that the agreement be accepted. 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.

A request from the Pan American Petroleum Company was read, asking the City to approve a bond of the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland on their franchise, in place of a bond which they now have with the City, signed by J. C. Anderson and J. W. Harasta, who have severed their connections with the Pan American Company. City Attorney Briney stated that he believed the request was reasonable.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that the new bond of the Pan American Petroleum Company be accepted, and that the bond heretofore filed with the City Clerk, wherein J. C. Anderson and J. W. Harasta are Sureties, be exonerated and the Sureties relieved from further liability. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by an unanimous vote.

An assignment of franchise by the Julian Petroleum Corporation to the Sunset Pacific Oil Company was presented, which assigned all right, title and interest in that certain franchise granted under Ordinance No. 150 of the City of Torrance.

Trustee Maxwell moved that the assignment be approved. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 182
REGULATING THE MOVING OF BUILDINGS AND TANKS OVER STREETS, ALLEYS
AND PUBLIC WAYS IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that Ordinance No. 182 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,

Mayor Dennis presented the matter of speeding in the City of Torrance, and a general discussion regarding the prevalence of careless driving followed.

The Chief of Police was requested to urge the motorcycle officer to be very strict in enforcing the law; and the Chief was also instructed to place an article in the Torrance Herald, warning the public.

The complaint was made that a siren at the Columbia Steel plant causes disturbance in the neighborhood, and that firemen mistake it for the fire alarm.

The City Engineer stated that he had taken the matter up with the Engineer at the Columbia Steel plant, who had promised to make the change.

The Chief of Police was instructed to call upon the company and request that the matter be attended to immediately.

The Mayor stated that he had received complaints in regard to the rubbish accumulating on a vacant lot east of the creamery on Post Avenue.

The City Engineer was instructed to discover the owner and notify him to immediately clear the lot.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 412
 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 that Resolution No. 412 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.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell 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.

It was moved by Trustee Wolfe that the meeting adjourn to March 12, 1929, at 7:45 P. M. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P. M.

G. H. Baer
 City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

John Dennis
 Mayor of the City of Torrance.