

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AUGUST 29, 1950

~~A regular~~ ^{adjourned Regular} adjourned meeting of the San Anselmo City Council was held at the City Hall on August 29, 1950 at 8:00 P.M.

Present: Councilmen: Skinner, Knoles, O'Mara, Smith, Booth

Absent: Councilmen: None
Mayor Booth presiding.

MINUTES OF AUGUST 8, 1950 read and approved.

MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 1950 read and amended to read that Councilman Skinner objection to gambling was generally speaking and was not confined to the activities of churches in fund raising.

REZONING PETITION OF LOTS 1-5 incl. BLOCK 2, CARRIGAN TRACT FROM 1st to 2nd

RESIDENTIAL. Public Hearing on the Final Report of the City Planning Commission in accordance with the published notice as provided, and as there was no objections to such rezoning the public hearing was closed. Discussion developed that the ordinance does not allow the desired use of the medical office building in the second residential zone and the matter was ordered referred back to the City Planning Commission. Moved by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Skinner that a new petition be processed without fee to accomplish the rezoning of Lot 5 to a restricted commercial use for medical center building only.

STATE PUBLIC WORKS REPORT received and ordered filed.

WRITTEN REPORT OF THE CITY ENGINEER ON THE PROPOSED ADOPTION OF THE UNIFORM

PLUMBING CODE in which he alleges that the proposed ordinance appears to be in accord with good practice and he did recommend that no owner of property be prohibited from doing plumbing work on that property providing he is qualified to do work in accordance with the ordinance. Clerk to arrange with the Plumbing Inspector and City Attorney for fees, which are to be substantially as provided in the present ordinance.

REQUEST FOR NO THROUGH STREET SIGN received from residents of Hampton Ave.

Request granted and clerk to order sign installed.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM ROSS MILLER, CITY MANAGER OF BERKELEY RELATIVE TO A

REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO USE IN CONNECTION WITH FIGHTING THE RATE BOOST OF

THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO. It was determined that no funds are

available for such purposes and the city clerk was to so advise the

City Manager of Berkeley and write to the Public Utilities Commission that

the interests of all parties be considered and protected as they study

the request for rate increases.

V.F.W. LETTER RELATIVE TO SUCCESS OF FIESTA RECEIVED. Clerk to acknowledge

2 SERVE YOURSELF GAS STATIONS CO. LETTER RECEIVED RELATIVE TO INSTALLATION

3 AT SPAULDING STREET AND S.F. DRAKE BLVD. requesting time for discussion

4 of this matter at the next council meeting. Matter referred to the City

5 Attorney and Mr. Marcucci and continued.

6 RADIO SERVICE CONTRACT WITH COUNTY OF MARIN RAISING COST FROM \$25. to \$75.

7 PER MONTH. Contract referred back to the County for clarification of

8 3rd paragraph which appears to transfer control of city owned radio

9 equipment to county.

10 REFUND ON ^{COLLISION} INSURANCE OF CITY VEHICLES RECEIVED FROM MINTO AND WILKIE in

11 the amount of \$223.63 due to experience survey.

12 LETTER RECEIVED FROM WALLACE S. MYERS IN WHICH HE ASKED THAT THE MATTER

13 OF THE CITY'S DEFAULT IN THE BURTCHAELL CASE BE CLARIFIED to indicate

14 that the city suffered no loss by entering a default in the case and ask-

15 ed that the same be set forth in the minutes. City Attorney Buresh con-

16 curred that the city had no substantial claim to such property and that

17 no valuable rights had been lost by such default.

18 REQUEST TO MOVE HOUSES AT 25 FERN LANE AND 27 FERN LANE RECEIVED FROM

19 R.B. MONTGOMERY. Permission granted if qualifications are met relative to

20 insurance and traffic control as set forth in letter of August 29 to

21 R.B. Montgomery. The requests include moving one house to Fairfax and the

22 other to Alder Avenue in Yolanda Court.

23 SEQUOIA PARK- WATERPRESSURE FOR FIRE PROTECTION * STREET IMPROVEMENT

24 Letter from W.S. Myers representing Dr. Lowe relative to inadequate fire

25 protection on Grove Hill Ave. and placing city as liable in the event of

26 damages to his property due to this cause. Letter to be written to the

27 Marin Municipal Water District to ask their recommendations in this

28 matter, and asking them to notify Mr. Myers of their findings. Relative to

29 matter of the road, work may be performed on a 50-50 co-op basis if agree-

30 able with the residents.

31 CEDAR STREET EXTENSION. The appraisals of three persons were read along

32 with Mr. Wynne's offer and opinion of value. The City Attorney's file in

33 this matter referred to Councilman Smith to study with the City Engineer

34 and Supt. of Sts. to determine what acquisition of property would be

35 best economically and at the same time fulfill the primary purpose of street

36 extension.

37 OFFER TO PURCHASE LOT 37 MORNINGSIDE COURT # 2 REFUSED. Moved by Council-

38 man O'Mara and seconded by Councilman Skinner that Mr. Cohn's deposit

39 be returned.

40 APPOINTMENTS TO CITY PLANNING COMMISSION: Mary Gilkey appointed to replace

41 ^{Resigned} Craigie Sharp, ^{Resigned} Eric Pitman to replace D. Carey, upon the motion of Council-

42 man O'Mara and seconded by Councilman Knoles.

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TAX RATE ADOPTED FOR 1950-51.

Tax rate for the year 1950-51 set at \$1.20 on the motion of Councilman O'Mara and seconded by Councilman Skinner. General Fund \$1.00, Library \$.11 Parks and Recreation \$.09.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Councilman Knoles reported that crab grass is destroying the turf at the park. Watkins and Sibbald estimated cost of removal of crab grass at about \$15.00 per acre. City Clerk to get three bids and have the work done as soon as possible upon the motion of Councilman Knoles and seconded by Councilman O'Mara.

Net proceeds of recent benefit game reported at about \$29.75.

V.F.W. refreshment stand not considered a permanent structure. Supervision of Building Inspector on any structures at the park requested.

Scoreboard nearing completion. All donated.

Safety Council meeting reported on by Councilman Knoles.

Frank Sloane said he believed the recreation department should no longer be the city stepchild and suggested that funds be given this department from other top-heavy departments.

REQUEST FOR THE BURNING OF A LOT ADJACENT TO # 268 SAN FRANCISCO BLVD

Fire Chief to have this work done.

ORDINANCE # 325, AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A DISASTER AND CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL IN THE TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO, ESTABLISHING RIGHTS, POWERS AND DUTIES. CREATING A DISASTER AND CIVIL DEFENSE CORPS AND DIVISIONS THEREOF, AND DEFINING THEIR AUTHORITY, RIGHTS, POWERS AND DUTIES, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF SAID ORDINANCE OR ANY LAWFUL RULE OR ORDER PROMULGATED THEREUNDER. Presented for second reading and after

reading of the title it was moved by Councilman O'Mara and Councilman Skinner that further reading be dispensed with. Moved by Councilman O'Mara and seconded by Councilman Skinner that this ordinance be adopted.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT BY COUNCILMAN SMITH

Relative to Hilldale Park request for more street lights, moved by Councilman O'Mara and seconded by Councilman Smith that seven street lights be installed in this area in accordance with the master plan for lighting.

Size of lamp in the street light at Bolinas and Rose Ave. to be increased to provide light for Vineyard Avenue.

Street light to be installed on Crescent Lane about midway down the street.

Advised by the P.G.&E. that the electrolier in front of the Ongaro Bldg. and the nearby Associated Station be removed and capped and a light be installed on the pole at this location.

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3 Moved by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman O'Mara that the dam-
4 aged electrolier on Lincoln Avenue be repaired or replaced.

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6 Moved by Councilman Knoles and seconded by Councilman Smith that the decay-
7 ing poplar tree on Kensington Ave. be removed at City expense. Councilman
8 Skinner voted no.

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11 Permission for removal of decayed tree at property of Henry Sherry, ^{on Suffolk Ave} grant-
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14 Drainage in Brookmead Court reported as being very bad. Councilman
15 Smith is of the opinion that the city should do whatever possible to rem-
16 edy this situation.. Mr. Marcucci, Mr. Siemer and Councilman Smith to
17 report at next meeting.

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20 Sidewalk on San Anselmo Ave. near Cullen's Store is raised and considered
21 a pedestrian hazard. Mr. Marcucci to have this spot leveled and the owner
22 of the property is to replace the walk.

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25 Offer relative to centennial marker withdrawn by the Native Sons.

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27 PERMISSION TO LEAVE THE STATE ON BUSINESS for a period of thirty days
28 commencing Sept. 1st. granted to Councilmen Smith and Skinner.

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30 RESERVE CITY HALL FOR RIFLE CLUB MEETING as requested by A. Chausse for
31 Sept. 5-6-7 at 2:00 P.M.

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33 Councilman SKINNER REPORTED ON PLAN OF RAISING THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX.

34 Discussion of plan to revise business license ordinance so that addition-
35 al revenue might be provided and that the charge be more equitable,
36 dependent on business done. Matter continued for further discussion before
37 merchant's and service organization groups before any definite plan is
38 adopted.

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41 LETTER RELATIVE TO BUSINESS LICENSES RECEIVED BROM MRS. HAMMER. Clerk to
42 refund \$80. to Variety Ice Cream Co. under classification as non-resident
43 merchant ^{* 20⁰⁰-8} having paid peddler's ^{100⁰⁰} fee, upon the motion of Councilman Knoles
44 and seconded by Councilman O'Mara.

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46 PURCHASE OF FIRE ALARM CABLE IN AMOUNT OF \$280. AUTHORIZED upon the motion
47 of Councilman Skinner and seconded by Councilman O'Mara.

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49 COUNCILMAN O'MARA REPORTED THAT AUDIT IS NOW IN PROGRESS.

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51 PROPERTY OWNED BY DR. ^{EARLE} YOUNG ON SAN ANSELMO AVE. REPORTED AS A JUNGLE AND
52 SIDEWALKS AS MENACE TO PEDESTRIAN SAFETY. Clerk to notify Dr. Young and
53 ask him to take the necessary action.

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55 VALLERGA BLDG. RAZING. City Atty. Buresh requested that Mr. Marcucci appear
56 with him incourt in connection with this case.

CITY ATTORNEY BURESH INSTRUCTED TO DRAW AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE # 295

SECT. 1 A and qualify noises as those being of raucous nature etc. on the motion of Councilman Knoles and seconded by Councilman O'Mara. Adopted on the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Knoles, O'Mara, Smith, Booth

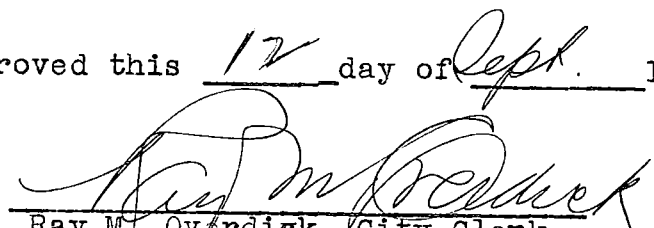
NOES: COUNCILMEN: SKINNER

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None

GRAPE FESTIVAL TRAFFIC CONTROL. Councilman Skinner working with the Grape Festival committee.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:05 to Sept. 12, 1950.

Read and approved this 12 day of Sept. 1950


Ray M. Overdick, City Clerk

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 1950

A regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council was held at the City Hall on September 12, 1950 at 8:00 P.M.

Present: Councilmen: Knoles, O'Mara, Booth

Absent: Councilmen: Skinner, Smith

Mayor Booth presiding.

MINUTES OF AUGUST 29, 1950 READ AND APPROVED.

SETBACK FOR LOT 52A BUSH TRACT. Adjustment granted Sara Tolmacheff to build his residence within 8 feet of San Anselmo Avenue on Lot 52A of the Bush Tract due to the topography of the land upon the motion of Councilman Knoles and seconded by Councilman O'Mara as recommended by the City Planning Commission.

MARIN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION REQUEST FOR STREET DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

from 1938 to the present time showing breakdown of expenditures as to materials, salaries, etc. City Clerk to compile this data.

REDWOOD EMPIRE ASSOCIATION LETTER RECEIVED relative to the 30th Annual Convention. Clerk to acknowledge and file.

LACK OF WATER AND ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION AT ALAMEDA AND HOLSTEIN. Leo

F. Eckstein letter received complaining of inadequate fire protection and water supply and requesting that city aid in getting the water ^{district} ~~company~~ to continue the water main from point where it ends on the Alameda to join same with main ending on Holstein Road some distance of 800 feet. Clerk to write to Mr. Peters of the water district for his advice and recommendations.

PEDESTRIAN PARKING CONTROL AND PARKING LOT RESTRICTIONS. Letter from J.

Biagini et al requesting a policeman to aid in pedestrian crossing at