

Council Chambers-City Hall
City of Lodi, July 15, 1929

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was called to order by the Mayor at 8.15 P.M. on the date and at the place first above written, Councilmen Roach, Shattuck, Weihe and Spooner present, Councilman Hale, absent.

The minutes of the last regular meeting held July 1st., 1929 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

The order of Public Hearings was passed and the Council proceeded to the hearing of communications and reports.

The Clerk read letters from Mr. J.D.Galloway and from Mr Charles Grunsky accepting their appointments as consulting engineers as authorized by Resolutions 585 and 586 adopted July 1st and the same were ordered filed.

~~Weekly reports of the Chief of Police and the Poundmaster were read and ordered filed, likewise the same for the Chief of Public Library and the same for the Chief and Secretary of the Fire Department.~~

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to purchase eight old wooden benches from Mr. E.A.Benedict providing a fair price could be obtained.

Mr Forrest E. Cooper, Poundmaster, applied for an increase in pay stating that his duties in the park and as Poundmaster made the increased of his automobile necessary and that he had to work at night on many cases. On motion of Councilman Roach, Shattuck second, Mr Cooper was allowed \$125.00 monthly as salary

It appearing that the City Treasurer had been able to make a very advantageous purchase of outstanding obligations of the City whereby the Special Bond Retirement Fund had been overdrawn and that he had transferred the sum of \$912.27 to this fund from the General Fund awaiting sanction of the City Council, his action was approved and the above sum ordered transferred by the adoption of Resolution No. 589 by the following vote:-

AYES: Councilmen Shattuck, Weihe, Roach and Spooner.
NOES: Councilmen, None. ABSENT: Councilman Hale.

RESOLUTION NO. 589.

RESOLVED, that the transfer of the sum of \$912.27 heretofore transferred by the City Treasurer from the General Fund to the Special Bond Retirement Fund be approved and said transfer id hereby authorized and directed.

On application of the City Clerk, he was authorized to trade in the old "Dalton" adding machine in his office for a new model of the same make.

On motion of Councilman Roach, Weihe second, Mr J.A.Henning was directed to furnish Mr J.D.Galloway with certain information needed by him in his capacity as consulting engineer of the City and also to incur such traveling expense as might be necessary in consulting with Mr Galloway in his offices at San Francisco.

Five building permits aggregating \$3,200.00 were granted.

Audited claims numbered from 12423 to 12598 in the total amount of \$5,308.18 were allowed and ordered paid, the claim of The Lodi Sentinel for \$211.19 being reduced to \$3.99 as their bill for \$207.20 for publication of the delinquent tax list was withheld from payment until the legality of the charge could be investigated.

In the matter of the employment of Mr. N.A.Eckart, it appearing on recommendation of the City Attorney that certain amendments to Resolution No. 587 passed and adopted July 1st., 1929 were necessary, the City Council passed and adopted the following Resolution :

RESOLUTION NO. 588

BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 587 heretofore passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi at a regular meeting of said Council duly and regularly held on July 1st., 1929, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows :-

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi has commenced suit in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Calaveras, against East Bay Municipal Utility District and others for the purpose of restraining the defendants in said suit from diverting water out of the Mokelumne River;

AND WHEREAS, it will be necessary at the trial of said suit to introduce into evidence certain expert testimony as to the feasibility of the City of Lodi's proposed power plant on the Mokelumne River, and as to run-off conditions, flow and general character of the Mokelumne River;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lodi does hereby employ N.A.Eckart, Civil Engineer of San Francisco, California, for the purpose of studying all natural conditions of said river, and the feasibility of said proposed power project and for the purpose of giving his testimony upon such subjects at the trial of said suit;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said N.A.Eckart shall be paid for his services in studying the conditions of the said river and the feasibility of said proposed power project for the purpose of preparing his testimony, and for his services in giving testimony in open court upon the trial of said suit, at the rate of \$50.00 per day for each day spent in the preparation of his testimony and for each day which he shall actually attend upon the trial of said action, and in addition thereto he shall be allowed all reasonable expenses actually incurred in preparing said testimony and attending said trial, said moneys to be paid upon claims properly presented and allowed out of any moneys in the treasury of said City available for that purpose.

The foregoing Resolution No. 588 was thereupon passed and adopted by the following vote :-

AYES: Councilmen, Shattuck, Roach, Weihe and Spooner.
NOES: None. ABSENT: Hale.

Mayor W.A.Spooner applied for permission to leave the State of California for a period of not to exceed three weeks and the permission was granted on motion of Councilman Shattuck, Roach second.

No further business appearing, the City Council adjourned at 9.35 o'clock P.M. to meet again at the day and hour of their next regular meeting.

Attest:-

J. B. Blaney
CITY CLERK.

The foregoing minutes read and approved without correction at a regular meeting of the City Council held August 5th., 1929.

W. A. Spooner
Mayor of the City of Lodi pro tem.

August 5, 1929.