Minutes Excerpt

City Hall, City of Lodi
Monday, April 2nd., 1928

The City Council of the City of Lodi met in regular session at 8.04 o'clock P.M. on the above date, Councilmen Roach, Shattuck, Weihe and Mayor Spooner present, Councilman Hale, absent.

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 19th., 1928 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

No persons being in attendance, the order of Public Hearings was passed and the Council proceeded to hear Communications.

The report of the Fire Chief for the quarted ended March 31, 1928 was read and ordered filed.

The Clerk read a communication from the Southern Pacific Company asking for assurance that the City would pay the cost and expenses necessary for the installation of an automatic crossing signal at California Street when traffic conditions should justify the same. He was instructed to inform Southern Pacific Company that the City could not guarantee to make this payment but would be guided by any decision of the State Railroad Commission appertaining to the installation of such a signal.

After some discussion as to the necessity of adequate inspection of the damsite for Pardee Dam at Lancha Plana, Councilman Shattuck introduced the following Resolution and the same was adopted by unanimous vote:-

- RESOLUTION NO. 539 -

WHEREAS, the East Bay Municipal Utilities District is erecting a dam at Lancha Plana which will impound 200,000 acre feet of the Mokelumne River water, and,

WHEREAS, this dam will impound five times the amount of water which was stored by the St. Francis dam in Southern California, and,

WHEREAS, it is a fact that the St. Francis dam ~~xxx~~ collapsed with a resultant loss of life and damage to property of over Ten Millions of Dollars,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Lodi, that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed, to address a communication to the Board of Supervisors of San Joaquin County stating that this City Council, the governing body of this City, desires to co-operate with the said Board of Supervisors as the governing body of San Joaquin County, in a concerted and determined effort to secure competent inspection by the State of California of the dam being now erected at Lancha Plana to the end that the lives and property of the people in the area below this dam be protected and safeguarded against the repetition of such a catastrophe as we have just witnessed in the Southern part of this state;

FURTHERMORE, be it resolved, that a copy of this resolution be spread in full upon the minutes of this meeting and that a copy be mailed to the Board of Supervisors of San Joaquin County.

On application of Lodi District Chamber of Commerce, the Women's Department of the Federated Farm Bureaus was granted the use of the Council Chamber for the morning of April 14th.

Bills in the amount of $11,428.34 as allowed by the Finance Committee were ordered paid on motion of Councilman Shattuck, Weihe, second.

On motion of Councilman Shattuck, Weihe second, the Board adjourned to meet upon the next regular meeting date, April 16th., 1928.

Attest: J. T. Beaney
City Clerk.

H. A. Spooner

The foregoing minutes read in full and approved without correction on April 16, 1928.

Mayor.