Minutes Excerpt

Council Chambers-City Hall
City of Lodi
Monday, December 3rd.,1928.

The City Council of the City of Lodi met in regular session at 8 o'clock P.M. on the date first above written, Councilmen Hale, Roach, Shattuck, Weihe and Spooner present, none absent.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 19th. and the adjourned meeting of November 21st. were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

Mr. Chas. A. Kelly addressed the Council in inquiry as to the source of a letter written by the City Attornay addressed to various owners of land along the Mokelumne River; Mr West read a copy of the letter and explained his reasons for mailing the same. Mr. H.H.Henderson spoke as to the attitude of himself and Morris English in regard to action to be taken against water appropriators whose filings affected the stream flow of the Mokelumne River.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Stephen E. Kieffer written in answer to inquiries mailed him on November 9th. in regard to Mr Kieffer's proposed diversions from the Mokelumne River. The letter was ordered filed.

The Clerk presented a copy of the proposed standard "California Planning Code" and a letter from the League of California Municipalities recommending its adoption. At the order of the Council, the matter was laid over until a future date.

An easement for public utilities through a portion of Lot 12 of Burr's Addition to Lodi was accepted by Resolution No. 564, passed by the following vote:-

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

Reports of the Chief of Police and the Poundmaster were received, read and ordered filed.

The application of R.D.Polenske for position as truck driver in the Fire Department was ordered filed.

The application for a permit to add to an existing frame structure at 13 West Elm Street to cost $500.00 was the only building permit application filed and this was granted on Motion of Councilman Roach, Weihe , second.

After discussion of the matter of erecting a garage at Maple Square Fire House,the Council decided to take the matter up as Committee of the Whole and view the premises.

In the matter of further prosecution of suits against up-river water appropriators, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous consent:-

Resolution No. 565.

WHEREAS, as authorized by this City Council on the 21st. day of November, the City Attorney has secured suitable assistance in the person of Robert M. Searles of San Francisco to take proceedure necessary to protect the City's rights to underground waters;

AND,WHEREAS, Mr Searles charges for the services to be rendered are as follows: the sum of $510 for preparation of briefs and necessary preliminary papers; the further sum of $500 for filing suit, should such proceedure be deemed necessary and the further sums of $100.00 for each day actually in court;

BE IT RESOLVED, by this City Council of the City of Lodi that the action of the City Attorney be, and the same is hereby confirmed, payments as above to be made from the City Treasury on demands duly audited and approved and future action in this matter to be had on recommendation of the City Attorney in

consultation with Mr Searles and at his discretion.

Bills in the amount of $6,133.78 as approved by the Finance Committee were allowed and ordered paid on motion of Councilman Roach, Shattuck second.

Dr. Geo. H. Locke addressed the Council favoring the organization of a rural fire district but asked to be informed as to the City's attitude. He was assured that the City had no direct interest in such a district or its equipment; the suggestion being offered as a means of starting an organization and providing men if required.

On motion of Councilman Weihe, the City Council adjourned until the day and hour of their next regular meeting.

Attest: J. F. Beakley
City Clerk.

The foregoing minutes read and approved without correction at a regular meeting of the City Council held December 17, 1928.

H. A. Foome
Mayor of the City of Lodi.
Dec. 17-1928.