

Canton, Texas
Jan. 11, 1949

The City Council of the town of Canton met in a Regular meeting at the office of the Mayor with all the members present when the following business was transacted:

1. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
2. Motion was made by Glenn Scott and seconded by L. F. Sanders authorizing the Mayor to have a street light enstalled on the light pole at the North West corner of the Bank building. Motion carried.
3. A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Harvey Fincher authorizing J. W. Elliott to draw one weeks salary pay instead of taking a weeks vacation during the year 1948. Motion carried.
4. A motion was made by A. D. Davis and seconded by Harvey Fincher allowing Coleman Brothers sewer services through the year 1948 in lieu of the city paying for the sewer connection made under highway No.19 connecting their business to the main sewer line. Motion carried.
5. A motion was made by L. F. Sanders and seconded by Glenn Scott asking that J. W. Elliott, and Mrs. Lamar Sides to meet with the city council in a called meeting and check with the council the various accounts of the water customers of the city. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

J. W. Terry, Mayor
Angus Travis, Secretary
T. R. Keahey, Alderman
A. D. Davis "
L. F. Sanders "
Harvey Fincher "
Glenn Scott "

Jan. 11, 1949

Canton, Texas.
Feb. 8, 1949

The City Council met in regular session with the following members present: J. W. Terry, Mayor; Harvey Fincher, T. R. Keahey, Glenn Scott, L. F. Sanders and A. D. Davis, Aldermen and Angus Travis, Secretary, when the following business was transacted:

Motion was made by A. D. Davis and seconded by Harvey Fincher authorizing the employment of C. C. Reid to Assess taxes for the year 1949. Motion carried.

Motion was made by L. F. Sanders and seconded by Harvey Fincher employing W. H. Morrisson to compile the delinquent taxes at a cost of \$25.00. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Secretary

J. W. Terry

Mayor

Feb 8, 1949

April 11, 1949

The City Council, Canton, Texas, met in a regular meeting with the following members present: J. W. Terry, Mayor, Harvey Fincher, A. D. Davis, Glenn Scott and T. R. Keahey, Aldermen and G. H. Hilliard Sr. Mayor elect, when the following business was transacted:

The Secretary being absent on account of serving on the Jury the minutes of the last meeting were not read.

The returns of the City Election held on Tuesday April 5th were canvassed and the results were as follows:

FOR MAYOR

G. H. Hilliard Sr.	80 votes
E. G. Steed	42 votes
Joe Hackney	1 vote

FOR ALDERMAN

Angus Travis	76 votes
E. Q. Peel	50 votes
Harvey Fincher	102 votes
Sam Hilliard	1 vote

CITY SECRETARY

Sam Beard	2 vote
W. H. Morrison	2 votes
Mrs. W.H. Morrison	1 vote
Lamar Sides	1 vote
Angus Travis	1 vote
J. W. Terry	113 votes

CITY ATTORNEY

L. F. Sanders	121 votes
P.H. Stanford	1 vote

G. H. Hilliard Sr. was declared elected Mayor, term expiring 1951. Angus Travis and Harvey Fincher were declared elected Aldermen for a two year term expiring 1951. J. W. Terry was declared elected City Secretary term expiring 1951. L. F. Sanders was declared elected City Attorney term expiring 1951.

R. E. Blackwell, Notary Public, swore in the new officers present.

Lamar Sides having refused to act as collector of the water and sewer bills, Glenn Scott made motion that Mrs. J. W. Terry be employed to send out bills for the month of April. Motion was seconded by Harvey Fincher. Motion carried.

A. D. Davis was authorized to see about purchasing an outboard motor for the boat at the city lake.

After a general discussion of the needs of the town and various things the meeting adjourned until called together again by the Mayor.

J. W. Terry
Secretary

G. H. Hilliard Sr.
Mayor

April 11, 1949

Canton, Texas.
May 9, 1949

The City Council of the town of Canton met in regular meeting this the 9th day of May 1949 with the following members present: G. H. Hilliard Sr. Mayor, T. R. Keahey, Glenn Scott, Angus Travis, Harvey Fincher, Aldermen and J. W. Terry, Secretary, when the following business was transacted:

The minutes of the meeting of April 11, 1949 were read and approved.

Motion was made by Angus Travis and seconded by T. R. Keahey that the Secretary be continued on a salary of \$15.00 per month and that he be allowed to write his own check. Motion carried.

Motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Angus Travis authorizing Mrs. J. W. Terry to continue collecting the water and sewer bills at a salary of \$45.00 per month until a trade is made with some other party to collect. Motion carried.

Motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Angus Travis electing or appointing Sam Hilliard as Fire Marshall of the town for a two year term.

The Secretary was authorized to write all delinquent water and sewer customers informing them that Bills are due the 1st of each month and that if bills are not paid by the 10th of each month that the water superintendent will be requested to disconnect their water as per city ordinance on record in said minutes of said town. Also to send the Commissioners' Court of Van Zandt County a bill for \$7.50 per month to help keep the curbs around the courthouse clear of trash and waste.

Motion was made by Angus Travis and seconded by T. R. Keahey authorizing the Secretary to order a motor for the caution light. The Mayor to try and get the county help or bear all of the expense of purchasing same or he can get the City Attorney to give his assistance in securing help from the County. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded authorizing the Secretary sell the Outboard Motor, which is in a bad state of repair, to the person offering the highest price for same. James Peace having offered \$20.00 for same.

(Over)

May 9, 1949

Canton, Texas.
May 23, 1949

The City Council of the town of Canton met in a called session this the 23rd day of May with the following members present: G. H. Hilliard, Sr. Mayor, T. R. Keahey, Angus Travis, Harvey Fincher, A. D. Davis, Glenn Scott, Aldermen and J. W. Terry, Secretary, when the following business was transacted:

The minutes of the meeting of May 9th were read and approved.

Motion was made by Harvey Fincher and seconded by A. D. Davis that the tapping fee be raised from \$5.00 to \$10.00 and that said \$10.00 tapping fee be paid to the City Secretary in advance of connection to the water system. Said tapping fee to be effective of this date. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Angus Travis and seconded by Glenn Scott that in case the water superintendent ties in a new water customer without the water customer having first paid his \$10.00 tapping fee that this fee be deducted from the water superintendent's salary for the current month. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Glenn Scott and seconded by A. D. Davis that the water rates be raised from \$.35 to \$.40 per one thousand gallons for all water used in excess of the minimum of 4000 gallons per water customer. Said rates to become effective as of April 15th and the new rates to be figured in on the bills to be paid June 1st. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

J. W. Terry
Secretary

G. H. Hilliard Sr.
Mayor

May 23, 1949

Canton, Texas.
June 13, 1949

The City Council met in a regular session this the 13th day of June 1949 with the following members present: G. H. Hilliard Sr. Mayor, T. R. Keahey, Angus Travis, A. D. Davis and Glenn Scott, Aldermen and J. W. Terry, Secretary when the following business was transacted:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A Motion was made by Glenn Scott and seconded by T. R. Keahey that the following men be appointed to serve on the Equalization Board to equalize the taxes of the town as per the value of the property owned by each individual: W. H. Morrison, C. A. Groves, Garth Slaughter and Foy Riley- Alternate. Motion carried.

Motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by A. D. Davis that the Masonic Lodge pay the same water rates as residences, \$2.85 per month for water and sewer. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Glenn Scott and seconded by T. R. Keahey that the Church of Christ not be charged for water used. Motion carried.

Motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Glenn Scott that the premium be paid on the insurance policy on the Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried.

After a lengthy discussion of the sanitary condition of the town, the meeting adjourned until called together by the Mayor. Probably 1 week from today.



Mayor



Secretary

June 13, 1949

The City Council met in regular session Monday night July 11, 1949 with the following members present: Mayor G.H. Hilliard, Sr., Aldermen: T. R. Keahey, Angus Travis, Harvey Fincher and A. D. Davis, Secretary, J. W. Terry when the following business was transacted:

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved.

A motion was made by Harvey Fincher and seconded by T. R. Keahey, that the landlord be billed and held responsible for all water and sewer bills due the city by the landlord and his or her tenants where they reside in the same house and some of the tenants refuse to pay their bills. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Mayor

Attest:

J. W. Terry
Secretary

July 11, 1949

Canton, Texas
Sept. 13, 1949

The City Council met in a regular session Tuesday Sept. 13, 1949 with the following members present: Mayor, G.H. Hilliard; Aldermen, Angus Travis, T. R. Keahey and A. D. Davis and Sec. J. W. Terry, when the following business was transacted:

The minutes of the meeting of August 8th were read and approved.

It was decided that the regular meeting night be changed back to second Tuesday night of each month since some of the councilmen would be in school on Monday nights.

A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by A. D. Davis that the secretary be authorized to pay the Republic National Bank of Dallas the amount due to pay bonds and Interest which become due Oct. 10, 1949. Motion carried.

After a general discussion of various city problems the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

G.H. Hilliard Sr
Mayor

J. W. Terry
Secretary

Sept 13, 1949

Canton, Texas.
Sept. 14, 1949

The City Council met in a called session in the office of Dr. T.R.Keahey with the following members present: G.H.Hilliard Sr. Mayor; and aldermen T. R. Keahey, Glenn Scott, A. D. Davis and Angus Travis.

After a discussion a motion was made by Angus Travis and seconded by A. D. Davis remit water bill and penalty to Mrs. D.H. Carpenter, since her husband has left her. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Glenn Scott accepting the resignation of O. E. Page as nightwatchman. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Glenn Scott employing W. O. Carpenter as nightwatchman beginning the night of the 15th of Sept. at the same salary as ~~xxxxx~~ has been paid to O. E. Page. Motion carried.

After a discussion of other matters the meeting adjourned until Sept. 15th at 1:00 o'clock.

G.H. Hilliard Sr.
Mayor

Attest:

J. W. Terry
Secretary

----- Sept 14, 1949 -----

Canton, Texas.
Sept. 15, 1949

a called meeting in
The City Council met in the office of the Secretary at 1:00 P.M. with the following members present: Mayor, G.H. Hilliard Sr; Aldermen A. D. Davis, T. R. Keahey, A. T. Travis and Sec. J. W. Terry.

A motion was made by Angus Travis and seconded by T. R. Keahey authorizing the Tax Collector to issue tax receipts to Lamar Sides for the years 1934-5-6-7 in lieu of services rendered as City Secretary ~~for~~ in past years. Motion carried. The Tax Collector is to receive no commission for writing tax receipts for same.

J. W. Elliott having resigned as water superintendent, a motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Angus Travis ~~accepting~~ to employ J. W. Stone Jr. as water superintendent on probation. He is to draw the same salary as the present Water Supt. Motion carried.

It was agreed that Dr. G.H. Hilliard Jr. be reappointed City Health Officer for a term expiring April 30, 1951 and that the secretary or Mayor notify the State Health Department.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

G.H. Hilliard Sr.
Mayor

Attest:

J. W. Terry
Secretary

Sept. 15, 1949

Canton, Texas.
Oct. 18, 1949

The City Council met in a regular session Tuesday Oct..18, 1949 in its regular meeting place with the following members present: G. H. Hilliard, Mayor; A. D. Davis, Glenn Scott, T. R. Keahey, Angus Travis, Aldermen; and J. W. Terry, Sec. when the following business was transacted:

The minutes of the last three meetings were read and approved.

A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by A. D. Davis that Carl Manufacturing Company be refunded \$10.75 for excess taxes paid for the year 1949. Motion carried.

A motion was made by A. D. Davis and seconded by Glenn Scott authorizing the secretary to pay Dyde Manning \$17.50 for surveying the Mack Kline lot in the city of Canton. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Glenn Scott and seconded by Angus Travis employing Dee Brown Walker of Dallas, Texas to collect delinquent taxes for the city of Canton as per agreement attached to these minutes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Glenn Scott that a sewer line be constructed from the back of Travis Coleman lot south to the Will Couch Barn and thence S.W. direction across Highway 19 to the E. N. Sides lot, a distance of 675 ft. provided E. N. Sides and Russess Eubank signed an agreement that five connections be made to said sewer line. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


G. H. Hilliard Sr. Mayor

Attest:


Secretary

Oct. 18, 1949

Canton, Texas.
Nov. 8, 1949

The City Council met in a regular meeting in its regular meeting place with the following members present: Mayor, G.H. Hilliard Sr., Aldermen, Angus Travis, A. D. Davis, Harvey Fincher, and T. R. Keahey and J. W. Terry, Sec.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

A motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by Harvey Fincher authorizing the secretary to pay one half of the expense of laying a sewer line from the now existing sewer line to the curb at the property line of A. L. Howell's lot. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Harvey Fincher and seconded by A. D. Davis that the secretary order a nightwatchman's clock and six key stations. Motion carried.

The Secretary was instructed to telephone Royce E. Wisenbaker about installing the 675 feet of new sewer line mentioned in the last minutes prior to this and also about some 4 inch watermain.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

J. W. Terry
J. W. Terry, Sec.

G.H. Hilliard
G.H. Hilliard, Mayor

Nov. 8, 1949

Canton, Texas.
Dec. 13, 1949

The City Council met in a regular meeting in its regular meeting place with the following members present: Mayor G. H. Hilliard Sr., Aldermen, Angus Travis, A. D. Davis and Harvey Fincher; and J. W. Terry, Secretary, when the following business was transacted:

A motion was made by Harvey Fincher and seconded by A. D. Davis that the secretary pay the Simplex Time Recorder Company \$110.00 for the Nightwatchman's Clock and 6 key stations etc as per statement. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Angus Travis and seconded by Harvey Fincher that the secretary be authorized to pay the membership dues to The League of Texas Municipalities for the year ending Nov. 30, 1950.

After a discussion of various matters pertaining to the betterment of the City, the meeting adjourned.


G.H. Hilliard, Mayor

Attest:


J. W. Terry, Secretary

Dec. 12, 1949