

Canton, Texas
January 8, 1947

Regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Courthouse
with the following members present:

Clint Ross,	Mayor
A.O. Loughmiller,	Councilman
Owen Springer,	"
Glen Scott,	"
W. H. Morrison,	"

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ross. Motion was made
by A. O. Loughmiller, seconded by Owen Springer that all local bill be
paid, or rather all outstanding bills. Motion carried.

After discussion and consideration, the Council acceded to
the long request or demand of the members of the Fire Department in reference
to omitting the water rent charges: Motion was made by A. O. Loughmiller and
seconded by Owen Springer, that the Council omitt the minimum water charge of
\$1.60 per month to a mxium number of twenty members of the Fire Department;
The motion carried. All present voting "Yea"

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Elsye Morrison, Secretary.

Jan. 8, 1947

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL WAS
HELD MARCH 27, A. D. 1947; WITH THE FOLLOWING

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Clint Ross,	Mayor
A. O. Loughmiller,	Alderman
Glen Scott,	Alderman
C. C. Reid,	Alderman
Owen Springer,	Alderman
W. H. Morrison,	Acting Secretary

ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR BALLOTS TO BE PRINTED
FOR THE CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD APRIL 1, 1947;
TO ELECT OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

MOTION WAS MADE BY A. O. LOUGHMILLER, SECONDED BY
GLEN SCOTT THAT THE BALLOTS CARRY AN AMENDMENT FOR OR AGAINST
RAISING NIGHT WATCHMAN'S SALARY BY TAXATION, WHEREAS THE
PRESENT METHOD IS THROUGH PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION. THE MOTION
CARRIED, ALL PRESENT VOTING "YEA"

THE MEETING ADJOURNED-

By W. H. Morrison
Acting Secretary.

March 27, 1947

Canton, Texas

April 2, 1947

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF VAN ZANDT)
CITY OF CANTON)

On this day came to be considered the election returns of the City Of Canton Election held on April 1, 1947, in the Asembly Room of the Courthouse for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Five Aldermen and Secretary and Treasury, which resulted as follows:

Willis Terry Received	124	votes for Mayor
Russell Eubank "	105	" " Alderman
Dr. T. R. Keahey"	112	" "
A. D. Davis "	99	" "
Glen Scott "	73	" "
L. F. Sanders "	82	" "
Angus Travis "	104	" Secretary &

Treasurer.

It is therefore ordered by the City Council that the above be and they are declared elected to serve until their successors are elected and qualified.

W. H. Ross

Mayor

Eloise Morrison
City Secretary.

April 2, 1947

Canton, Texas
April 2, 1947

The City Council meet in regular session in the Asembly Room
at the Courthouse with the following members present:

Clint Ross,	Mayor
Owen Springer,	Alderman
A. O. Loughmiller,	Alderman
Glen Scott,	Alderman
W. H. Morrison,	Acting Secretary

Members of the new elected officers present were as follows:

Willis Terry,	Mayor Elect
A. D. Davis,	Alderman, Elect
Glen Scott,	Alderman
L. F. Sanders,	Alderman, elect
T. R. Keahey,	Alderman, Elect
Angus Travis,	Secretary elect

The following business was transacted; Motion was made by Owne Springer, Seconded by Glen Scott, that the City of Canton, Texas grant the Southwestern States Telephone Company, Brownwood, Texas a amended franchise to operate telephone business in the City of Canton, Texas for a period not to exceed 28 years, this agreement will expire April 1975, and is only a revision of the present 50 year franchise. The Southwestern States Telephone Company agreeing and obligating them selves to pay the City of Canton 2 % of their gross income received from Canton exchange. Motion carried.

It was agreed that the outgoing members of City Council meet with new elected Council April 8, 1947, at this meeting the new Council will take the oath of Office thereby releiving the out going members of further responsibility and duties of office.

W. H. Morrison
Acting Secretary.

April 2, 1947

APRIL 11, 1947

Be it remembered that on this, the 11th day of April, 1947, at a meeting held in the Assembly Room of the Courthouse within the City of Canton, and with Clint Ross as Mayor, together with a majority of the Council, and after all of said Council had canvassed the returns of the City Election and finding that said election returns were in accordance with law, and by proper resolution declared the new city officials by said election to be:

Mayor, Willis Terry.
Aldermen: Russell Eubank
 Glenn Scott
 L. F. Sanders
 A. D. Davis
 T. R. Keahey
Secretary-Treasurer, Angus Travis.

And after all of the above named officials having taken their oath and qualified according to law, the new Council proceeded as follows:

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Eubank that Daniel Ayres be made City Marshall and nightwatchman, at the same salary previously set by the former council; that John Elliott be re-employed as at the same salary and be made Deputy City Marshall; that Mrs. Lamar Sides be employed as water and sewer collectory for the time being; that Mrs. W. H. Morrison be re-employed as Tax-Assessor and Collector for the City of Canton for the time being.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Scott, authorizing Mayor Terry to secure bids for at least one new water vat for the Canton City Lake.

, All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Davis authorizing the water superintendent and deputy City Marshall to hire additional labor not to exceed 60¢ per hour and not to cover more than a one month period, for one employee, to repair sewerage disposal plant and streets.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Keahey that all bills having the approval of the Mayor and Secretary-Treasurer, be approved and that the Treasurer be directed to pay same.

All members voting "Aye".

After all of the above business was transacted, a general discussion was had as to a general employee for the City to assist in reading meters, collecting tax, assessing tax, collectiong water and sewer bills, and to supervise and carry on the general business of the City, under the direction of the City Council.

April 11, 1947

APRIL 25, 1947

Be it remembered that on this the 25th day of April, 1947, the City Council of the City of Canton, all members being present, met in the County Court Room of the Courthouse of said County, and the following business was transacted:

Motion by Scott, seconded by Eubank, authorizing and directing Mayor Terry to contact such bondsmen as he deems necessary, requesting a survey of the City's financial condition and to recommend to said Council such amount of bonds as can be voted, not to increase tax rates.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Keahey, authorizing and directing Mayor Terry to employ Lintz Merchant or any other competent person to survey said city for a proposed sewer extension to each part of the city where the sewer line does not extend; and that said report be made to said Council at the earliest possible time.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Scott, authorizing and directing the opening of a certain street heretofore designated as a public street, connecting State Highways Nos. 19 and 198; said street having been heretofore named _____ Street.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Scott, directing and permitting an election to be had on the West side of the City of Canton, and the East side of the City of Canton, when said adjoining property owners have complied with the law, permitting said property owners to be made a part of the City of Canton, and that \$10.00 for each section or group be allowed as incidental expenses thereto; said motion further provides that all of said Statutes must be complied with before any further action is taken by said Council.

All members voting "Aye"

Motion by Keahey, seconded by Scott that the regular meetings for the City Council be on the second Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 o'clock P. M., in the County Court Room of the Courthouse at Canton, Texas.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Scott, that the water superintendent and deputy city marshall, John Elliott, purchase such repairs as necessary to install the new water pump, and that all bills having the approval of the Mayor and Treasurer be allowed and approved, and the Treasurer be directed to pay same.

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Scott, seconded by Davis that the first Tuesday of each month after first Monday, be designated as clean-up day, and that Mayor Terry be authorized to employ such help and vehicles as are necessary for said purposes.

All members voting "Aye"

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Eubank, authorizing and directing Mayor Terry to purchase asphalt and such other street material and having same used in the repair of such streets as the Mayor deems necessary.

April 25, 1947

All members voting "Aye".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Keahey that Mayor Terry be given authority to cash a certain water bond owned by the City of Canton.

All members voting "Aye".

April 25, 1947

June 10, 1947

The City Council, Canton, Texas, met in the County Court room, June 10, 1947, all members except the unfilled position, being present.

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Davis to reduce Southern Ice and Utilities Company's water bill \$25.00 due to error in water meter. The error in water meter. The error caused excessive charge for current month.

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Davis to authorize payment of all current bills.

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Keahey, authorized the raise of John Elliott's salary to \$130.00 per month.

Motion seconded by Scott authorized Mayor Terry to order two car loads of four inch water pipe.

All of the above motions were unanimously carried by vote.

Two engineers representing different companies appeared before the Council and discussed the proposal of sewer and water extensions. Also a filter plant for the water system was discussed. No official action was taken on the matters, but without vote, Mayor Terry was asked to hire one of the engineers to spend from one to three days at the city's expense observing and making recommendations to remedy some of the defects in the water supply.

J. W. TERRY.....Mayor

L. F. SANDERS

T. R. KEAHEY .

GLENN SCOTT

ALDERMEN

A. D. DAVIS

ANGUS TRAVIS.....Secretary

June 10, 1947

July 8, 1947

The City Council met in the County Court room Tuesday night, July 8, 1947, with Lamar Sides appearing before the Council and stated that he would not continue as water and sewer collector for less than \$60.00 per month.

Motion by Keahey, seconded by Glenn Scott to give the water and sewer monthly collection job to J. W. Terry at the present salary of \$45.00 per month. Aldermen Scott, Keahey, and Sanders voted "AYE"; Davis did not vote.

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Scott, authoring Mayor Terry to buy necessary stationary. All members voting "AYE".

Motion by Sanders, seconded by Keahey authorized payment of all current bills. All members voting "AYE".

Motion by Keahey, seconded by Scott, authorized concreting of sewer pit. All members voting "AYE".

Motion by Scott, seconded by Keahey, authorizing Mayor Terry to ask Homer Hilliard, B. A. Mitchell and ^{Charli Reed} Russell Eubank to sit on the board of Tax Equalization. All members voting "AYE".

J. W. TERRY.....Mayor
L. F. SANDERS
T. R. KEAHEY
A. D. DAVIS ALDERMEN
GLENN SCOTT
ONE VACANCY
ANGUS TRAVIS.....Secretary

July 8, 1947

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this the 25th day of July, A. D. 1947, at a meeting held in the Federal Land Bank office of Canton, Texas, the same being within the city of Canton, and with Willis Terry as Mayor, A. D. Davis, Glenn Scott, Dr. T. R. Keahey and L. F. Sanders, as aldermen, and Angus Travis as secretary, and after all of said Council had canvassed the returns of the city election and finding that Harvey Fincher had been elected city aldermen to fill the unexpired term of Russell Eubank, and by proper resolution, declared the said Harvey Fincher duly elected for said capacity, after which the said Harvey Fincher took his oath and qualified in accordance with law.

Motion by Dr. T. R. Keahey, seconded by Glenn Scott, that the salary of the Deputy City Marshall, John Elliott, be raised to \$150.00 per month and that the said John Elliott have every other Sunday off. All members voting "AYE".

Motion by L. F. Sanders, seconded by Dr. T. R. Keahey, authorizing Glenn Scott to employ such help as he deems necessary to completely clean, mow and level the city property in and near the Fire Station and water tower. All members voting "AYE".

Motion by L. F. Sanders, seconded by Glenn Scott that all bills on the Mayor's desk having the approval of the Mayor and Secretary, be allowed approved and paid. All members voting "AYE".

Willis Terry

WILLIS TERRY, Mayor

ATTEST:

ANGUS TRAVIS, Secretary

July 25, 1947

Upon proper motion and second the tax rate for the year of 1947 for the City of Canton be set as follows:

Bond Tax per \$100.00 assessed valuation.....\$.80.

Street and general tax per \$100.00 assessed valuation.....\$.70

Motion made by Dr. T. R. Keahey and seconded by L. F. Sanders that Dr. G. H. Hilliard be appointed City Health Officer for the City of Canton, Texas. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. G. H. Hilliard was sworn in as City Health Officer and took the following oath of Office:

"I, G. H. Hilliard, M. D., do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of City Health Officer for the ^{City} town of Canton, Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected. So help me God.

(S) G. H. HILLIARD, JR.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, on this the 19th day of August, 1947.

Seal

(S) J. W. TERRY, Notary Public in and for Van Zandt County, Texas

A copy of the above motion and a copy of the Oath of Office is being mailed to Texas State Board of Health, Austin, Texas, as requested by George W. Cox, M. D., State Health Officer.

Aug 19, 1947

CITY OF CANTON COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 28, 1947.

The City Council met in a called meeting with all members present. A discussion of the intake valves at the City Lake ensued but no official action was taken.

Motion was made by A. D. Davis and seconded by T. R. Keahey authorizing the nightwatchman's salary be raised from \$115.00 to \$125.00 per month.

Motion by L. F. Sanders and seconded by A. D. Davis to pay the mayor a salary of \$15.00 per month for keeping the City's books and paying the City's Bills. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

J. W. Terry, Mayor

Glenn Scott , Alderman
A. D. Davis , "
T. R. Keahey , "
Harvey Fincher, "
L. F. Sanders, "

Angus Travis, Secretary.

Attest:

J. W. Terry
Mayor

Secretary

Oct. 28, 1947

December 9, 1947

The City Council, Canton, Texas, met in the City Hall in a regular meeting with all members present, when the following business was transacted:

Motion was made by T. R. Keahey and seconded by A. D. Davis authorizing the Mayor to pay all current bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Glenn Scott and seconded by T. R. Keahey authorizing the installment of a street light at the Churchhoff Christ in the city of Canton. Motion carried.

Motion was made by L. F. Sanders and seconded by T. R. Keahey authorizing the mayor to pay W.P. Nixon for gravel purchased by officials of a previous administration that had never been paid. Motion carried.

J. W. Terry, Mayor

Harvey Fincher, Alderman

A. D. Davis, "

Glenn Scott, "

T. R. Keahey, "

L. F. Sanders, "

Angus Travis, Secretary

Dec 9, 1947