

JAN 13th 1953

THE CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT EXCEPT LLOYD TAYLOR.

MR. RAMSEY WITH T.P.&.LIGHT CO. MET WITH THE COUNCIL TO TALK ABOUT THE LIGHT COMPANY'S 1952 RENDITION, WHICH WAS 3,000.00. HE STATED THE COMPANY WAS WILLING TO PAY THIS AMOUNT FOR 1952 BUT WANTED SOME RELIEF FOR 1953 RENDITION.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY FINCHER THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADHERE TO THE CITY ORDINANCE WHICH WAS PASSED IN 1950 SPECIFYING WHAT KIND OF BUILDING OR BUILDINGS THAT SHOULD BE BUILT IN THE FIRE ZONE WHICH WAS SET UP AT THE TIME, AND THAT THE APPLICATION APPLIED FOR AT THIS TIME FOR A METAL BUILDING WITH WOODEN FRAME WORK BE DENIED, MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BARRON AND SECONDED RILEY TO HAVE THE PHONE MOVED TO THE CITY OFFICE, MOTION CARRIED,

AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S AFFAIRS THE MEETING ADJOURNED

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MAYOR

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CITY SECY

*Jan 13, 1953*

FEB ,10th 1953

THE CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH THE MAYOR AND ALL MEMBERS PRESENT ,

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY BARRON~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ TO ORDER AN ENCETION THE FIRST TUESDAY IN APRIL SAME BEING THE 7th DAY OF APRIL 1953 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR, TWO ALDERMEN, CITY SECRETARY AND CITY ATTORNEY.

MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS FURTHER VOTED TO HIRE J.R.MC KENZIE AS JUDGE OF SAID ELECTION AND MRS.FRANK DODSON AND MRS.W.P.NIXON AS CLERKS WITH MRS.WHITAKER AS ALTERNATE AND IN CASE SOME OF THE ABOVE COULD NOT SERVE THE CITY SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO HIRE SOMEONE ELSE IN THEIR PLACES.

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO HAVE PUBLISHED IN THE CANTON HERALD A FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CITY'S FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF FEB.2 1953 WHIHC WAS PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL FOR THEIR APPROVAL.

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS ORDERED TO BUY SOME 1000 FEET OF FOUR INCH PIPE FROM THE LONE STAR STEEL CO, AT A FRICE OF ~~XX~~ \$1.1 $\frac{1}{2}$  per ft DELIVERED.CANTON,

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS FURTHER INSTRUCTED TO BUY ANOTHER \$500.00 SEREIS K BOND FOR THE FIREMEN'S PENSION RELIEF FUND.

AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S AFFAIRS THE MEETING ADJOHNRED.

*G.H. Hilliard Jr.*  
MAYOR,

*W.A. Blankenship*  
CITY SECRETARY

FEB 10th 1953

A REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HAD, WITH ALL MEMBERS AND MAYOR PRESENT.

AT THE INVITATION OF THE MAYOR, MR. NORTON AND MILFORD WITH THE T.P.&.L.CO WERE PRESENT TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF INSTALLING 12 MERCURY VAPOR LIGHTS ON THE HIGHWAY AND AROUND THE SQUARE, AND AFTER A DISCUSSION BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL A MOTION WAS MADE BY BARRON AND SECONDED BY RILEY TO HAVE THESE LIGHTS INSTALLED, A DESCRIPTION OF SAID LIGHTS AND LOCATIONS ARE MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES AND AN ORDER GIVEN THE T.P.&.L.CO IS PINNED TO THESE MINUTES AND MADE A PART THEREOF.  
MOTION CARRIED.

AFTER A DISCUSSION OF THE FISHING AT THE CITY LAKE NO ONE OR FAMILY THAT HAVE PERMITS TO FISH THEREIN OR UPON SAID LAKE CANNOT CARRY ANYONE WHO LIVE WITHIN THE COUNTY OR OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY OR STATE CAN ~~BE~~ BE ALLOWED ONLY THE PAYMENT OF 50¢ PER DAY PER PERSON. IT WAS DECIDED WHEN AND IF THE STREETS WERE REMARKED TO HAVE A SPACE IN FRONT OF EACH BUSINESS MARKED FOR LOADING ZONE ONLY AND NO PARKING.

~~AFTER THE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S AFFAIRS THE MEETING ADJOURNED.~~

IT BEING REPORTED TO THE COUNCIL THAT THERE HAD BEEN SOME OUTBOARD MOTORS USED ON THE CITY LAKE BY OTHERS THAN THE REGULAR EMPLOYEES, IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT NO ONE BE ALLOWED TO USE THESE MOTORS BUT THE REGULAR EMPLOYEES IN TREATING THE LAKE.

*W. H. Hilliard Sr*  
MAYOR

*W. A. Blankenship*  
CITY SECY

THIS THE 10 TH DAY OF MARCH 1953

APRIL 14th 1953

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS <sup>held</sup> ~~HELD~~ WITH MAYOR AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL <sup>being</sup> ~~WERE~~ PRESENT.

MAYOR H.H.HILLIARD SR SWORE THE NEW MAYOR AND TWO ALDERMEN AND CITY SECRETARY IN AS SUCH.

THE ELECTION RETURNS WHICH WAS HELD ON APRIL 7th WERE CANVASSED AND ~~THE~~ THE FOLLOWING ELECTED:

JOE.M.HACKNEY RECEIVED	149 VOTES	<i>mayer</i>
ALDERMAN HARVEY FINCHER	153	::
GORDON WHITAKER	136	::
W.A.BLANKINSHIP CITY SECY	174	::
L.F.SANDERS CITY ATTY,	70	::

A.MOTION WAS MADE BY LLOYD A.TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY HARVEY FINCHER THAT THE ABOVE BE DECLARED ELECTED FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS

MOTION CARRIED,

IT WAS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL BY THE SECRETARY THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO BUY SOME TAX RECEIPTS AND ENVELOPS AND SOME STATIONARY FOR THE OFFICE AND A MOTION WAS MADE BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY FINCHER THAT THE SECRETARY BE INSTRUCTED TO PURCHASE ~~THESE~~ THESE SUPPLIES

AFTER A DISCUSSION OF SOME THAT ARE DELIQUENT ON THEIR WATER AND SEWER BILLS THE SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO SEND MR.F.H.STEGALL TO SEE THESE PARTIES AND ANY OF THEM REFUSE TO PAY THE BILLS THAT THE CITY ORDINANCE WHICH WAS PASSED SEVERAL YEARS AGO RELATIVE TO SUCH BE ~~STREN~~ STRICTLY ADHERED TO. AND CARRIED OUT.

THE CITY SECY WAS INSTRUCTED TO PURCHASE 200 SACKS OF SODA ASH AS THE PRICE WAS ADVANCING ON SAME.

THE CITY SECY, WAS INSTRUCTED TO WRITE MR.R.W.BAIRD WITH THE BAIRD ~~BANKIN~~ BANKING COMPANY DALLAS ASKING THAT IF AT ALL POSSIBLE HE STATION ONE OF TRUCKS HERE IN CANTON, *the*

AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S AFFAIRS THE MEETING ADJOURNED

*W.A. Blankinship*  
CITY SECY,

*H.H. Hilliard*  
MAYOR

*April 14, 1953*



MAY 12th 1953

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HAD WITH THE MAYOR AND ALL MEMBERS PRESENT,

MAYOR JOE M. HACKNEY	
HARVEY FINCHER	ALDERMAN
LLOYD TAYLOR	::
B.R. MAHAFFEY	::
FOY E. RILEY	::
GORDON WHITAKER	::

MR. J. W. STONE AND MR F. H. STEGALL MET WITH THE COUNCIL.

THE MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNCIL TOGETHER WITH THE CALLED MEETING WERE READ AND APPROVED.

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO WRITE SOME FIRMS AND GET PRICES ON 2 INCH GALVENIZED PIPE.

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO ORDER TWO METER READING BINDERS AND DIVIDE AS NEARLY AS POSSIBLE THE TOWN IN TWO PARTS SO THAT EACH OF THE EMPLOYEES COULD READ THE METERS EACH MONTH TAKING TURNS EACH MONTH OF THE DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE CITY.

IT WAS FURTHER DECIDED FOR THE CONNCIL TO MEET BACK ON MAY 26th TO DISCUSS ANY MATTERS THAT MIGHT PERTAIN TO THE CITY

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING ADJOURNED TO MAY THE 26TH 1953

W. A. Blankenship  
CITY SECRETARY

Joe M. Hackney  
MAYOR.

May-12, 1953

MAY 26th 1953

A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE WITH THE FOLLOWING BEING PRESENT:

MAYOR  
ALDERMAN

JOE.M.HACKENY  
FOY E RILEY  
HARVEY FINCHER  
BR.MAHAFFEY  
LLOYD A TAYLOR  
GORDON WHITAKER

THE MINUTES OF THE TWO PRECEDING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL WERE READ AND APPROVED

A MOTION WAS AMDE BY FINCHER AND SECONDED BY RILEY FOR THE FIRE DEPT, ~~GAS~~  
~~XXX~~ TO HAVE THE GAS AND OIL ETC USED IN THE FIRE TRUCKS CHARGED TO THE CITY  
AS HAS BEEN THE CUSTOM IN THE PAST M.C.

A MOTION WAS MADE BYT TAYLOR AND SECONDED FINCHER TO LET THE FIRE DEPT.  
RUN THE TRUCK OR TRUCKS TO FIRES AS THEY DEEM NECESSARY

MOTION CARRIED,

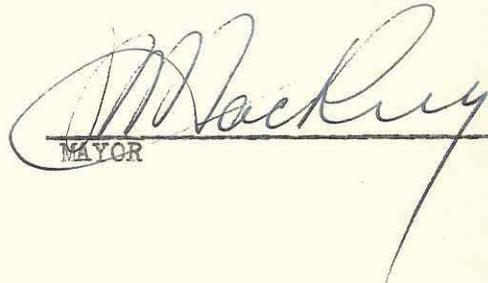
IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT ONE MAN BE SENT TO THE A & M SCHOOL FOR FIREMEN  
AT AUTSIN IT BEING LEFT TO THE FIRE BEPARTMENT TO SELECT THIS MAN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY FINCHER THAT THE CITY PAY  
\$ 100.00 TOWARD THE EXPENSE OF THIS MAN.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FINCHER AND SECONDED BY RILEY TO FIX THE SEWER FOR MR.ADAMS  
MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO TRANSACT THE MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET BACK  
JUNE 16TH 1953

  
CITY SECY

  
MAYOR

May-26, 1953

Canton, Texas  
May 26, 1953

Mr. Joe M. Hackney  
Mayor, City of Canton  
Canton, Texas

Dear Joe:

May we take this method of requesting you to present to the City Council at their next meeting the following.

We are in need of additional hose to equipt the old truck. The hose that is now on this truck is part of the original hose with the exception of about 200 ft. which was purchased when Pat Walker was Fire Chief and Mr. Z. W. Moore, Mayor. We only need the minimum amount that will pass the inspection of the Fire Insurance Commission.

We would like for the city council to set their policy as to the operation of the Fire Department. As you know in the past we have made small purchases for the Department, such as gas, oil, wash and grease jobs, repairs, expense for the maintanance of equipment, etc., and have had the bill sent to the city. Shall we continue to do this or do they desire us to follow another system? Please bear in mind that this is for miscelaneous purchases, not large amounts such as the hose mentioned in the first paragraph,

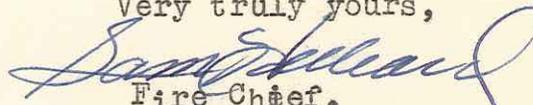
There has been several mention the fact about taking the old truck and making a tank truck out of it for the purpose of fighting grass fires. As Chief of the Department, we would appreciate this not being done until we find out the effect that it will have on the fire rate within the town.

In the past we have assisted in extinguishing fires in the rural area. Shall we continue to do this with the permission of the Council?

In general we would like for the Council to make any suggestion they desire as to our department and set the policy under which they desire to function, bearing in mind that it is a public service given by each and every member on the department.

Wishing the entire organization success in the coming years, we remain

Very truly yours,

  
Fire Chief.

JULY 21, 1953

A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD WITH THE MAYOR J.M. HACKNEY  
ALDERMEN TAYLOR  
FINCHER  
MAHAFFEY  
WHITAKER  
RILEY

~~THE~~ PRESENT,

MR. BARLOW, WHITE & SHAW MET WITH THE COUNCIL, A DISCUSSION WAS HAD  
RELATIVE TO FIXING AND HARDSURFACING BIG ROCK STREET,

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY TAYLOR TO ASSIST IN THE FIXING  
OF THIS STREET, THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT TO BE PAID BY THE CITY BEING \$1,000.  
MOTION CARRIED,

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO FIX THE CITY TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 1953  
AT \$1.00 PER HUNDRED,

MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY RILEY TO CHARGE EACH HOUSE WITH  
TWO OR MORE WATER BILLS WHERE THERE IS TWO OR MORE ~~KITCHEN~~ KITCHEN SINKS AND  
TWO OR MORE FAMILIES LIVING IN THIS HOUSE OR APARTMENT. EACH FAMILY TO BE CHARGED  
WITH WATER BILL, AND SEWER BILL.  
MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY FINCHER & SECONDED BY RILEY TO PAY J.W. STONE JR, A FULL MONTHS PAY FOR  
JULY 1953.

MOTION CARRIED,

IT WAS DECIDED TO PAY THE MAYOR \$5.50 FOR MEALS FOR ENGINEER, THIS BEING ALL ~~HE~~  
THE ENGINEER CHARGED FOR HIS SERVICES.

MOTION BY FINCHER & SECONDED BY TAYLOR TO BUY EIGHT ANIMALS FOR THE CITY LAKE  
SAID ANIMALS ~~XX~~ NOT TO COST MORE THAN \$100.00

MOTION CARRIED, MOTION BY RILEY & SECONDED BY TAYLOR TO PAY FRENCHIE \$200.00 PER  
MO. FOR THE TIME BEING, THEN \$190.00 PER MONTH, MOTION CARRIED.

W.A. Blankenship  
SECY.

J.M. Hackney  
MAYOR

JULY 21, 1953

July-21

# City of Canton



CANTON, TEXAS

JULY 22ND 1953

THE STATE DEPT OF HEALTH

AUSTIN, TEXAS

CONTINUED:

OUR WATER WORKS BURT, RESIGNED UNEXPECTEDLY AND THE COUNCIL HAS  
ELEVATED HIS HELPER WHICH HAS HAD SOME SCHOOLING IN THE PREPARATION  
OF THE WATER AND HAD A CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE IN THE OPERATION OF  
THE PLANT WHILE IN THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE CITY FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS.

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL AND IS READY TO COOPERATE WITH THE STATE HEALTH DEPT  
AS IN THE PAST TO HAVE PURE WATER AND SANITARY CITY BUT IT WILL TAKE A LITTLE  
WHILE TO <sup>MS</sup> TO GET BACK AS WE WERE.

I MIGHT ADD THAT WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY AND ALL INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR  
WATERWORKS SCHOOLS THAT MIGHT BE HELD IN THE FUTURE AND ANY OTHER HELP  
YOUR DEPARTMENT CAN GIVE US IN THIS MATTER.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOU SENDING US OR TELL US WHERE WE CAN GET THE  
NECESSARY FLUID TO TEST THE WATER FOR CHLORINE ETC. AS WE SEND OFF  
SAMPLES REGULARLY TO BE TESTED FOR ANY FOREIGN MATTER THAT MIGHT  
SHOW UP AND TO DATE IT HAS ALWAYS TESTED PURE.

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE AND FOR PAST FAVORS

VERY TRULY YOURS

*W.A. Blankship*

CITY SECT.

*Canton the Capital of the Free State of Van Zandt County*

AUG 6th 1953

A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD WITH THE MAYOR JOE M. HACKNEY

ALDERMEN

LLOYD TAYLOR  
B. R. MAHAFFEY  
HARVEY FINCHER  
GORDON WHITAKER

PRESENT, THE MINUTES OF THE TWO PRECEDING MEETINGS  
WERE READ AND APPROVED,

MOTION BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY TAYLOR TO PAY HERMIE TAYLOR THE AMOUNT  
\$29.75 FOR LABOR DONE AT DAVIS LAKE

MOTION CARRIED,

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WHITAKER AND SECONDED BY TAYLOR TO BUY A LOCK FOR THE  
WATER LOADING RACK, ONE KEY WAS TO BE LEFT IN THE CITY OFFICE AND ONE KEY  
TURNED OVER TO THE NIGHTWATCHMAN, SAID LOADING RACK WAS TO BE USED BY TRUCKS ONLY  
AND NOT TO BE ~~used~~ TO FILL BARRELS, MILK CANS ETC. INCLUDED IN THIS MOTION  
THAT ANY PERSON CAUGHT TAMPERING WITH A FIRE PLUG IN ANY MANNER OTHER THAN THE  
FIRE DEPARTMENT MEN WOULD BE FINED NOT LESS THAN \$25.00 AND WOULD BE DEALT  
WITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE LAW GOVERNING SUCH TAMPERING TO WHICH AN  
ORDINANCE HAS BEEN PASSED IN THE PAST GOVERNING SUCH.

MOTION CARRIED,

MOTION BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY TAYLOR THAT THE SECRETARY CONTACT THE NIGHTWATCHMAN  
AND ASK HIM TO MINIMIZE HIS RELIEF HELP

MOTION CARRIED,

A SECRET BALLOT WAS TAKEN REGARDING THE HIRING A MAN TO HELP THE WATER SUPT.  
MR. F. H. STEGALL, AND AMONG THE APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED MR. A. C. MILLER WAS HIRED BY  
UNANIMOUS VOTE ~~XXX~~ AT A SALARY OF \$150.00 PER MONTH THE CITY FURNISHING THE CITY HOUSE  
AND WATER FOR MR. COLE.

MOTION CARRIED.

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO HAVE PUBLISHED IN THE CANTON HERALD A NOTICE  
ABOUT THE CHANGE IN THE LOADING RACK, ALSO ABOUT TAMPERING WITH THE FIRE PLUGS OR PLUGS.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO TRANSACT THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

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MAYOR

*W. A. Blankenship*  
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SECRETARY

*aug 6-53*

SEPT 15 TH 1953

A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE WITH THE FOLLOWING PRESENT: :::

MAYOR JOE M. HACKNEY  
ALDERMEN RILEY  
TAYLOR  
MAHAFFEY  
WHITAKER  
FINCHER

MR. RAYMOND ~~ME~~ FINCHER MET WITH THE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS WITH THEM THE POSSIBILITIES OF ANOTHER PARTY PICKING UP THE GARBAGE AND RUBBISH OF THE TOWN, NO ACTION WAS TAKENED. IN THIS MATTER.

MOTION BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY RILEY TO PAY \$1.00 PER HOUR FOR HANDS TO SCRUB THE LARGE VAT AT THE CITY LAKE  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS DECIDED TO LET THE CANTON FOOTBALL FIELD HAVE WATER AT TWO THIRDS OFF THE CURRENT PRICE OF WATER, THIS APPLIED TO THE FOOTBALL FIELD ONLY.

MOTION BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY RILEY TO ACCEPT THE 1953 CITY TAX ROLL  
MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY RILEY AND SECONDED BY FINCHER TO TURN THE SALE OF THE CITY WATER FOR TRUCK HAULING OVER ~~THE~~ TO GORDON WHITAKER HE BEING RESPONSIBLE TO THE CITY FOR WATER THAT GOES THROUGH THIS METER TO BE INSTALLED AND HE THE SAID GORDON WHITAKER IS TO BE CHARGED AND AGREES TO PAY THE CITY .50¢ PER THOUSAND GALLONS OF WATER AS THE METER ~~SHOWS~~ SHOWS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY RILEY TO PASS A CITY ORDINANCE REGARDING FIRE PLUGS, METER BOXES, ALL EQUIPMENT AT THE CITY LAKE AND OTHERWISE BELONGING TO THE CITY A COPY IS ON FILE IN THE ORDINANCE BOOK # 1 FOR REFERENCE TO SAME AND IS HEREBY DECLARED SO PASSED.

MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

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MAYOR

*W. A. Blankenship*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY SECY.

SEP 15 1953

NOV 4th 1953

THE CITY COUNCIL MET IN SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING PRESENT:

MAYOR JOE M. HACKNEY  
ALDERMEN FINCHER  
WHITAKER  
RILEY  
~~AND~~ MAHAFFEY  
&  
TAYLOR

A COMMITTEE OF THE LYONS CLUB MET WITH THE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF PURCHASING SOME STREET MARKERS AND HOUSE NUMBERS

AFTER SOME DISCUSSION A MOTION WAS MADE BY WHITAKER AND SECONDED BY TAYLOR THAT IF THE LYONS CLUB WOULD PURCHASE THE ABOVE MARKERS THE CITY WOULD ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ERECTING SAME,

MOTION CARRIED,

IF BEING FURTHER DECIDED BY THE COUNCIL TO CLOSE THE CITY LAKE TO HUNTING AS THERE HAD SOME COMPLAINTS ON ACCOUNT OF THE HOUSES BEING ~~THE~~ SO CLOSE TO THE LAKE,

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY MAHAFFEY TO PAY FRENCHIE STEGALL \$200.00 PER MONTH INSTEAD OF \$195.00

MOTION CARRIED,

MOTION BY WHITAKER AND SECONDED BY FINCHER TO LET MR. HAVE THE GARBAGE & RUBBISH HAULING, HE MR. TO BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR HAULING THE RUBBISH AND GARBAGE OFF AND DISPOSAL, OF SAME AND THAT THE CITY WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE BILLS OR ~~IN ANY MANNER~~ ANYTHING THAT MIGHT HAPPEN IN THE COLLECTION OR DISPOSAL OF SAME,

MOTION CARRIED,

THE COUNCIL DECIDED TO MEET BACK IN SESSION ON NOV, 17th 1953 at 7:00 oclock A.M.

CITY SECY,

MAYOR

Nov-4<sup>th</sup> 1953

NOV 17th 1953

THE CITY COUNCIL MET IN SESSION WITH MAYOR JOE.M.HACKNEY

ALDERMEN: LLOYD A TAYLOR

B.R.MAHAFFEY

HARVEY FINCHER

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GORDON WHITAKER

PRESENT, FOY RILEY BEING ABSENT.

MR. WISNEBACKER MET WITH THE COUNCIL RELATIVE TO THE PURCHASE OF SOME ANIMALS FOR THE CITY LAKE BUT NO ACTION WAS TAKENED.

THE CITY SECRETARY WAS INSTRUCTED TO CONTACT MR. R. E. BLACKWELL RELATIVE OF HAVING SOME UP TO DATE MAPS MADE OF THE CITY.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY FINCHER TO PAY THE MAYOR, EACH ALDERMAN, CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY SECRETARY \$6.00 FOR EACH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL WHICH WAS A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$72.00 FOR EACH OFFICER,

MOTION CARRIED.

AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CITYS AFFAIRS IN GENERAL THE MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET BACK DEC. 8th 1953

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MAYOR,

*W. A. Blunk*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY

*Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 53*  
*Nov. 17, 1953*

CANTON, TEXAS 12/8/53

THE CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH:  
MAYOR JOE M. HACKNEY, ALDERMEN, FINCHER TAYLOR, MAHAFFEY  
AND WHITAKER PRESENT, RILEY ABSENT:

MR. B. B. WHITE AND J. E. BALLEW MET WITH THE COUNCIL RELATIVE  
OPENING UP A STREET FROM BUFFALO TO BIG ROCK STREET.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY FINCHER THAT THE  
CITY WOULD ACCEPT THE STREET AND WOULD AGREE IN RETURN TO  
PUT WATER AND SEWER MAINS THEREIN:

AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S AFFAIRS THE MEETING  
ADJOURNED UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE.

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MAYOR

W. A. Blankenship  
SECRETARY

Dec. 8, 1953

REQUEST FOR DATA ON 1953 CITY TAXES AND INDEBTEDNESS, EXCLUSIVE OF SCHOOL

Please Fill Out At Once and Return To The League of Texas Municipalities  
108 East 19th Street, Austin 1, Texas

- (1) City of CANTON, TEXAS Fiscal Year Begins JAN TO JAN,
- (2) Total Assessed Valuation for the Assessment Year 1953...\$ 1,156,905
- (3) Assessment Ratio--percentage of Assessed Value to Actual Market Value? 50 %
- (4) What Base Year is Used for As'm't. Ratio percentage shown in (3) above? 19 53
- (5) If other than year '53 is used in (4), estimate Ratio if '53 value used? \_\_\_\_\_ %
- (6) Tax Rate for Interest & Sinking Funds per \$100 Assessed Value, 1953....\$ .55
- (7) Tax Rate for General & Miscellaneous Funds per \$100 Ass'd Value, 1953..\$ .45
- (8) Total City Tax Rate per \$100 Ass'd Value [Item (6) plus Item (7)], 1953..\$ 1.00

CITY INDEBTEDNESS, EXCLUSIVE OF SCHOOL DEBT

DEFINITIONS: - By Tax Supported Debt is meant indebtedness that, according to the conditions printed on the face of the bonds or warrants, should be paid from tax monies. This is distinguished from Revenue Bonds or Revenue Warrants which, according to the conditions printed on the face of the bonds or warrants, should be paid from revenue derived from operation of the city-owned utility.

PLEASE give following information as of latest audit or other available report, indicating date of such report here: \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_.

CITY TAX SUPPORTED DEBT - See Definitions

- (9) City Bond & Warrant Tax Supported Debt, Total Outstanding. . . . \$ 45,000
- (10) Cash & Securities to Credit of Tax Bond & Warrant Sinking Funds.. \$ 6,453.19
- (11) Net Tax Supported Bond & Warrant Debt [Item (9) minus item (10)] .. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CITY REVENUE BOND & REVENUE WARRANT DEBT - See Definitions

- (12) Revenue Bond & Warrant Debt, Total Outstanding. . . . . \$ 73,000.
- (13) Cash & Securities to Credit of Rev. Bond & Warrant Snkg. Funds. . \$ 7,434.32
- (14) Net Revenue Bond & Warrant Debt [Item (12) minus item (13)] . . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(15) CITY OWNED UTILITIES, ETC.: - Please check those owned by city: - Waterworks ()  
Sewer () , Electric ( ), Airport ( ), Gas ( ), Market ( ), Abattoir ( ), Hospital ( ) ,  
Auditorium ( ) , Swimming Pool ( ) , Cemetery ( ) , Others \_\_\_\_\_

Date Answered DEC, 15, , 19 53 Signed W.A. Blumkinship  
Title City Secy.

NOTE: The extra copy of this Questionnaire is for your files, return the other at once. You will receive a copy of our report. Your helpful cooperation is appreciated.