

City Hall,
San Clemente, California.
March 15th, 1944.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 408 N. El Camino Real, San Clemente, California, WEDNESDAY, March 15th, 1944, at 8.00 o'clock, p.m. Mayor LeRoy M. Strang in the Chair.

PRESENT:
ABSENT:

On roll-call the following was the stated vote, to-wit:-
COUNCILMEN: Smith, Sturgis, Carrick, Palmer and Strang,
COUNCILMEN: None.

All rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The Minutes of the last regular meeting held Wednesday, March 1st, 1944, were read and approved as read.

WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from Ralph C. Groner, Assistant Vice President, Bank of America National Trust & Savings Association, L.A. Headquarters, P. O. Box 3609 Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, California, asking for Council's advice regarding their selling Lots 14-15-16 and 17, Tract 898 at this time or whether the Bank should hold them for expansion by the City later on of its water facilities; was read and referred to "New Business".

MAYOR STRANG
APPOINTED TO
SERVE ON COMMITTEE
OF STATE LEAGUE ON
REVENUE AND
TAXATION.

Communication from Richard Graves, Executive Secretary of the League of California Cities, advising that Lawrence E. Olson, Mayor of Glendale and President of the State League invites Mayor LeRoy M. Strang to serve as a Member of the League Committee on Revenue and Taxation and the Clerk reported that he had replied stating Mayor LeRoy M. Strang would be pleased to serve on said Committee.

REQUEST OF POLICE
COWGER FOR SIX
MONTHS LEAVE OF
ABSENCE ACCOUNT
SICKNESS.

Communication from Floyd E. Cowger, Chief of Police, requesting Six months Leave of Absence account illness and on his doctors recommendation; was read and referred to "New Business."

INVESTIGATION OF
TRAFFIC AT DEL MAR
101 INTERSECTION
NOT SUFFICIENT TO
WARRANT INSTALLAT-
ION OF SIGNAL DEVICES
BY STATE HIGHWAY
AUTHORITIES.

Communication from S. V. Cortelyou, District Engineer, Division of Highways, District VII, Los Angeles, informing the Council that after a traffic survey had been made by them of the intersection of Highway 101 and Del Mar Avenue, they found that the vehicular traffic volume, pedestrian traffic volume, vehicular movement, accident hazard, or any combination thereof, fell considerably short of meeting the minimum requirements for a signal installation or for the installation of other additional traffic control devices; was read and referred to "New Business."

Communication from the Reeves Rubber Inc., regarding bad condition of approach to their Plant in the Industrial District was read and referred to "New Business."

BAD CONDITION OF DIP IN STREET NEAR REEVES RUBBER INC PLANT IN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.

Councilman Palmer said he had been down looking over the street situation near the Reeves Rubber Company and while there he ran into Mr. Reeves. He told him to write a letter to the Council, which had just been read. Councilman Palmer said the street is not in such a bad condition as appears from their letter - the dip is the worst part. The water had stopped running today and the street was dry. He would suggest that for that one place at the dip we should give it a little shot of oil. The distance from the highway to the plant is about 2,000 feet and 50 feet between curbs. He was in favor of helping them out all we can. The street was no worse than the majority of the streets in town.

The matter was referred back to the Street Commissioner and Superintendent of Public Works to do everything they could to help the Reeves Rubber Inc.

ASKING COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SURVEY ON UNSANITARY CONDITION OF SANCHEZ PROPERTY.

James H. Bennett, Superintendent of Public Works, reported verbally on the condition of the Sanchez property.

After discussion the Clerk was directed to write a letter to the Orange County Health Department asking them to make another survey of the unsanitary and unsightly conditions existing which made the property a detriment to the Rubber Plant close by who had a large number of employees and also to other property owners in the immediate vicinity.

BID OF PERICLES STAVRON OF \$600.00 FOR LOT 77, TRACT 789 ACCEPTED.

The bid of Pericles P. Stavron, San Juan Capistrano, a married man, of \$ 600.00 for Lot 77, Tract 789, San Clemente, held over from last regular meeting of the City Council for further bids, acceptance or rejection, was considered, and it was

Moved by Councilman Sturgis, seconded by Councilman Smith, that the bid of Pericles P. Stavron, of \$600.00 for Lot 77, Tract 789, San Clemente, be accepted.

On roll-call the following was the stated vote, to-wit:-
 AYES : COUNCILMEN: Smith, Sturgis, Palmer and Strang,
 NOES : COUNCILMEN: Carrick,
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The Motion was declared carried.

PAYING BILLS.

Moved by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Palmer, that the following bills, as audited, be paid.

On roll-call the following was the stated vote, to-wit:-
 AYES : Councilmen: Smith, Sturgis, Carrick, Palmer and Strang,
 NOES : COUNCILMEN: None,
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None,

The Motion was declared carried.

Warrant #

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| 9958 | William Holmes | \$ 101.00 |
| 9959 | James Henry Bennett | 101.00 |
| 9960 | Verne D. Bailey | 83.20 |
| 9961 | Bertram H. Latham | 73.90 |
| 9962 | William Henry Stute | 63.90 |
| 9963 | B. Z. McKinney | 58.60 |
| 9964 | Julius H. Becker | 20.00 |
| 9965 | Floyd E. Cowger | 96.00 |
| 9966 | Arthur L. Daneri | 87.50 |
| 9967 | Ernest L. Collingsworth | 77.40 |
| 9968 | Wendell B. Lovell | 80.00 |
| 9969 | Marvin Crummer | 58.70 |
| 9970 | Henry L. Moore | 15.00 |
| 9971 | Edith Lovell | 5.00 |
| 9972 | Richard A. Parker | 53.10) |
| 9973 | Richard A. Parker | 40.00) |
| 9974 | Dewey N. Hoople | (22.40 |
| 9975 | Dewey N. Hoople | (57.50 |

**PAYING BILLS -
continued.**

| Warrant \$ | \$ |
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| 9976 John Avalos | 76.70 |
| 9977 Jose Villalobos | 76.70 |
| 9978 Roy Salyer | 74.70 |
| 9979 Floyd H. Ray | 83.50 |
| 9980 James Arthur Bennett | 20.00 |
| 9981 James Molitor | 7.50 |
| 9982 Charles S. ^{Ar} ricksen | 58.60 |
| 9983 Frank Carizosa | 79.90 |
| 9984 Verne D. Bailey-Withholding Tax | <u>116.70</u> |

TOTAL PAY ROLL FIRST HALF MARCH, 1944..... \$ 1,689.00

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| 9985 Petty Cash Expenditures | 50.57 |
| 9986 Barr Lumber Company | 202.95 |
| 9987 Braun Corporation | 9.95 |
| 9988 Calgon Inc | 55.11 |
| 9989 George Dunton | 35.18 |
| 9990 General Petroleum Corporation | 120.00 |
| 9991 Hockaday & Phillips | 30.56 |
| 9992 O. J. Madison | 4.89 |
| L.C.F. 9994 Orange County Auto Parts | 2.40 |
| 9995 Orange County 9995 Treasurer | 2.00 |
| 9996 Orange County Auto Parts | 19.68 |
| 9996 W. J. Patterson | 2.25 |
| L.C.F. 9997 W. J. Patterson | 87.33 |
| 9998 San Clemente Sun | 19.76 |
| 9999 San Juan Electric Company | 9.18 |
| 10000 Southern California Telephone Co | 31.80 |
| 10001 Southern Counties Gas Company | 27.55 |
| 10002 Standard Oil Company | 34.05 |
| 10003 W. W. Woods | <u>14.86</u> |

TOTAL WARRANTS ISSUED MARCH 15th, 1944.....\$ 2,449.07

Councilman Carrick said the Local Air Craft Warning Post went into operation last Tuesday evening when a practice drill was called by the Fourth Fighter Command. This was the first drill they had had in several weeks. Upon recommendation of the Fourth Fighter Command the Observation Post will in future be maintained at his home 410 Cazador Lane and the post telephone would be installed in the patio there as it could not be installed in a private home. He said the change will save time, gas and tires, in going to the post when a drill or alert is called. The present post building will remain at the reservoir and not moved to the new post quarters. He was wondering if this arrangement would be satisfactory to the Council. The Council agreed to the recommendation of the Fourth Fighter Command. The change would also eliminate the necessity for maintaining the building at the reservoir.

NEW BUSINESS.

LOTS 14-15-16 & 17 belong to BANK OF AMERICA NOT FIGURED ON IN EXTENSION OF CITY'S WATER FACILITIES & CAN BE SOLD BY BANK IF THEY WISH.

Regarding communication from Ralph C. Groner, Assistant Vice President of the Bank of America, Los Angeles, asking Council's advice regarding selling Lots 14-15-16 and 17, Tract 898, for which they had received an offer from Bill Ayer, it was moved by Councilman Carrick, seconded by Councilman Palmer, that the Clerk write the Bank of America it is their privilege to dispose of the lots in such manner as they see fit and thank them for calling the matter to our attention in case we needed the lots; also that this location is not figured in our plan of extension of water facilities. On roll-call the following was the stated vote, to-wit:-
 AYES : COUNCILMEN: Smith, Sturgis, Carrick, Palmer and Strang,
 NOES : COUNCILMEN: None,
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The Motion was declared carried.

AIR RAID CRAFT WARNING POST MOVED FROM PRESENT QUARTERS AT RESERVOIR TO PATIO OF CARRICK RESIDENCE 410 CAZADOR LANE ON INSTRUCTIONS OF FOURTH FIGHTER COMMAND

WANT
 COPY
 OF THE
 REPORT

**REQUEST OF CHIEF
OF POLICE COWGER
FOR SIX MONTHS
SICK LEAVE HELD
OVER TILL NEXT
REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL.**

Regarding the request of Floyd E. Cowger, Chief of Police, for a SIX MONTHS LEAVE OF ABSENCE on his doctors recommendation account sickness, it was Moved by Councilman Sturgis that Leave of Absence be granted to Chief of Police Cowger on account of sickness for a period not exceeding six months.

There was no seconder to the Motion.

Councilman Carrick stated that he had nothing personal against Chief of Police Cowger. He was a good Chief, and had conducted his department in an efficient manner. He, however, thought it an injustice to other members of the department for the Chief to take these extended leave of absences, and he would like to know who was going to be Acting Chief and conduct the department during this period etc. The department can not be run efficiently if a few men take leave every year and than come back and take over again. He thought the Chief should say whether he wants to stay definitely on the job or not in order to give other men a chance.

The matter was held over till the next regular meeting when they would have everything lined up for further discussion and consideration.

**STATE HIGHWAY TO
PAINT PAVEMENT
MARKINGS.**

Regarding the communication from S. V. Cortelyou, District Engineer, Division of Highways, it was Moved by Councilman Palmer, seconded by Councilman Sturgis, that the Clerk write a letter to the Department to have the pavement markings painted at their earliest convenience as mentioned in their letter.

On roll-call the following was the stated vote, to-wit:-

AYES : COUNCILMEN: Smith, Sturgis, Carrick, Palmer & Strang,
NOES : COUNCILMEN: None,
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The Motion was declared carried.

Moved by Councilman Carrick, seconded by Councilman Palmer, that the Clerk be directed to write a letter to the Bank of America calling their attention to the objectionable conditions of the highway by permitting the land in Block 851 to be farmed, which resulted in undesirable erosion and washing of the land on to the sidewalks creating a hazard to traffic and pedestrians.

On roll-call the following was the stated vote, to-wit:-

AYES : COUNCILMEN: Smith, Sturgis, Carrick, Palmer and Strang,
NOES : COUNCILMEN: None,
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The Motion was declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Sturgis, and carried, that the meeting adjourn.

William Holmes

City Clerk and ex-officio
Clerk of the City Council.

APPROVED: April 5th, 1944.

W. Sturgis
Mayor and President of the
City Council.