

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD JULY 10, 1945.

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 A regular meeting of the City Council of the Town of San Anselmo was held in the City Hall in said Town on the 10th day of July, 1945, at eight o'clock P.M.

Present: Councilmen von Rotz, Smith, Monte, Love and Kientz.

Absent: None.  
 Mayor von Rotz presiding.

It appeared to the Mayor that a large number of persons in the audience were present in connection with the equalization of assessments, the regular business of the City Council was postponed, and the regular order of business diverted from, and the Mayor declared that at that time the Council would sit as a Board of Equalization for the purpose of equalization of assessments as required by law.

There followed approximately two hours of discussion of the general problems of taxation and assessment of property by various people in the Council Chambers. Many persons spoke generally on the advisability and necessity for such increase in the tax rolls of the Town of San Anselmo, but no formal complaint or protest was filed as to any particular assessment appearing on the assessment rolls. The City Assessor had presented to the City Council his assessment rolls for the fiscal year 1945-46; and while no formal protest or complaint had been filed, the Council desired to further peruse the figures and assessments made by the City Assessor and therefore the Mayor announced that the Council would sit further as a Board of Equalization at 8 o'clock July 11, 1945.

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 The City Council continued at this point to-wit: 11:15 P.M. to carry on the regular meeting of the City Council of the Town of San Anselmo.

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 A petition was presented to the City Council signed by approximately twenty-nine residents of Magnolia Avenue and Pine Street in the Town of San Anselmo, requesting that the City Council give its permission to use the parking lot property leased from D.B. Ferrero during the hours from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M., each evening as a playground for the children of petitioners and others in the neighborhood.

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 Upon motion of Councilman Love, seconded by Councilman Monte, a resolution was duly passed and adopted giving permission to the children of that neighborhood to use the parking lot as a

place to play and carry on their games between the hours of 7:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. each evening until further order.

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At 11:20 P.M. Frank Monte, Fire Commissioner, left the Council table and attended a fire at Floribel Avenue, San Anselmo, California.

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A letter was received from the Chairman of the San Anselmo Library Board announcing the expiration of the terms of Dr. R. L. Taylor, Sr., and Mrs. O. W. Jones, as Library Board Trustees. The communication requested their reappointment.

On motion of Councilman Love, seconded by Councilman Smith, a resolution was duly presented and unanimously adopted reappointing the aforementioned persons as Trustees of the San Anselmo Library Board.

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The City Clerk reported that the recent census supervised and taken by Federal authorities had been completed and that the director J. C. Capt had made his report which was placed on file by the City Clerk, certifying the population as 7,125 on June 18, 1945. The City Clerk further announced that he had received a communication from the Department of Public Works stating that prior to June 30th said department had received the certified census and that the new census would be the basis of funds to be released to San Anselmo from that Department.

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A petition was received by the City Council requesting the re zoning of the property commonly known and designated as the Jordan property located at the intersection of Sequoia Park Drive and Redhill Avenue in the Town of San Anselmo. The Mayor instructed the City Clerk to hand the petition to the City Planning Commission for study and report back to the City Council.

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Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Kientz, a resolution was duly passed and adopted which fixed the fair market value of that certain lot commonly known and designated as Lot 47 San Rafael Heights at the sum of \$400.00; the resolution further authorized the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a deed to said property to Robert I. McPherson as Grantee and to deliver such deed upon payment of purchase price, and further authorizing the cancellation of all liens and assessments appearing on record against said parcel of property on City rolls.

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Unanimously passed. Monte absent

Upon motion of Councilman Love, seconded by Councilman Smith, a resolution was duly passed and adopted fixing the fair market value of that certain property described as Lots 1-2-3-12-13-14 in Block 12 in Sequoia Park #2, San Anselmo, at the sum of \$60.00, and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute and deliver to Hayden D. & Rosalya M. Henderson as Grantees a deed to said property, and, further, that all assessments, liens and tax liens of record appearing against said property should be waived and cancelled. *Unanimously passed, Monte absent*

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Kientz, a resolution was duly passed by unanimous vote fixing the fair market value of that certain property described as Lot 14 Block 6 Morningside Court #1, in San Anselmo, California, at the sum of \$750.00, and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute and deliver to Russell S. & Jessie W. Hannis as Grantees of said property a deed upon the payment of said purchase price in the amount of the fair market value, and said resolution further authorized the cancellation of all taxes and liens appearing on City records against that said property. *Unanimously passed, Monte absent*

The City Clerk announced that in the making of the deed to Robert S. Carey and his wife, certain property in the Rosenthal Tract, San Anselmo, that certain portions agreed to be sold to said Grantees had been inadvertently left out of a previous deed, and that the Town of San Anselmo was under obligations to transfer said property to said Robert S. Carey and his wife. Upon motion of Councilman Kientz, seconded by Councilman Smith, a resolution was duly passed and adopted authorizing the Mayor to make, execute and deliver to said Robert S. Carey and his wife, a good and sufficient deed to said property which had been inadvertently left out of the previous Grant Deed. *Unanimously passed, Monte absent*

RESOLUTION NO. 387: It appeared from the records of the City Clerk that property previously leased from D. B. Ferrero on Magnolia Avenue in San Anselmo contained an option after the lease for a certain period had been fully complied with. Upon motion of Councilman Love, seconded by Councilman Smith, a resolution was duly passed and adopted resolving to exercise the option set forth in said lease of premises and to accept title to said property and said resolution authorized the City Clerk to accept for the Town of San Anselmo, the deed to said property and directed said City Clerk to cause said deed to be recorded in the Office of the County Recorder in the County of Marin and said City Clerk was further authorized to obtain a policy of Title Insur-

ance for said property prior to the acceptance of said deed.

The City Clerk announced that the appraisers heretofore appointed to appraise that certain property located on NE line and about opposite #23 Pasadena Avenue, had reported and fixed the fair market value of said property to be in the sum of \$150.00.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Kientz, a resolution was duly passed and adopted fixing the fair market value of said property in the sum of \$150.00. This said resolution further authorized the City Clerk of the Town of San Anselmo, to offer said property for public sale and if there be no other bidders that the offer of Edward Brown which is in the sum of \$150.00 be accepted by said City Clerk and upon said acceptance, the Mayor and the City Clerk are authorized and directed to deliver to said Edward & Mary Brown upon the payment of said purchase price a good and sufficient deed to said property and it was further resolved by said resolution to cancel all taxes and assessments appearing of record against said property in the Town of San Anselmo.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Kientz, the fair market value of that certain property described as Lots 79-80-92-95 to 121 incl., Morningside Court #2, was fixed in the sum of \$8,000.00, and the City Clerk by said resolution was directed to sell said property as a unit to the highest bidder at a public sale and that if no bid was received in excess of the sum of \$8,000.00, an amount offered by Al. Signorelli for said property, then the City Clerk was authorized to accept said purchase price from Al. Signorelli, and said resolution further authorized and directed the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a good and sufficient deed in such case to said purchaser and that all taxes, liens and assessments appearing of Record in the Town of San Anselmo against said property should be and the same were cancelled.

The City Engineer reported that in his opinion that it would cost approximately \$5,000.00 to erect a new and proper bridge across Arroya Avenue in the Town of San Anselmo and that it would cost approximately \$2,800.00 to put in permanent abutments with a temporary span. The City Engineer was instructed to prepare preliminary plans and specifications so the Council could determine what materials and supplies might be necessary and whether or not it would be necessary and proper to call for

a public bid for the work and construction of said bridge.

04 Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman  
 Love, a resolution was duly passed and unanimously adopted author-  
 06 izing the expenditure of the sum of \$225.00 to the City Engineer,  
 or his agent, as the share of the Town of San Anselmo in the erec-  
 09 tion of a permanent monument on the City Limits line between the  
 City of San Rafael and the Town of San Anselmo and upon the condition  
 012 that the City of San Rafael should pay a like amount toward the  
 cost of this determination.

015 At 11:45 Councilman Frank Monte, Fire Commissioner, re-  
 017 ported back from the fire and took his place at the Council Table.

019 Mayor von Rotz announced the appointment of a Committee  
 021 consisting of Councilman Smith, Councilman Love and Chief of Police  
 Wood to study the matter of parking for commuter residents for the  
 Town of San Anselmo.

024 Upon motion of Councilman Love, seconded by Councilman  
 Kientz, a committee consisting of Councilman Smith and Councilman  
 Monte and City Attorney Myers was appointed to study the matter of  
 repair and construction of the Roll of Honor Board at the City Hall  
 of the Town of San Anselmo, and by said resolution duly passed and  
 adopted the foregoing committee was authorized to take such steps  
 as were necessary to complete the work of repair and construction.

027 Councilman Monte reported that he had a communication  
 039 from a Mrs. Adams on San Anselmo Creek in Agatha Court to the effect  
 that many large rats were appearing in that area and that he had  
 been requested on her behalf to present the matter to the City  
 Council. The Chief of Police, as head of the Health Department  
 043 reported that the use of Squill Rat Poison was most effective in the  
 eradication of said rodents and further stated that it had been  
 the practise in the past to require property owners to do this  
 work of eradication. The City Clerk was instructed to communicate  
 with Mrs. Adams to the effect that the Council did not feel the  
 046 responsibility to take initial steps in said work of eradication  
 at this time, and to inform Mrs. Adams that Squill Rat Poison  
 placed by the owners of the property might serve the purpose.

051 Mrs. Fred Carr, the owner of the property at 51 Tamal-  
 pais Avenue, requested that she be given financial assistance  
 053 in the removal of a tree situated in the sidewalk area as said  
 tree has become too large for its location and is breaking up  
 making it a hazard to life and property. It was pointed out that

it has been the custom for the property owner to do all necessary work in connection with sidewalks or trees in said area and that the Council at this time did not believe this policy should be changed.

The Mayor appointed a committee consisting of Councilmen Love and Kientz and Superintendent of Streets, Charles Beedle to study the problem of a proper location of a corporation yard in the Town of San Anselmo and to report back to the City Council at a later meeting

Mr. Vallerga the official City Garbage Collector, appeared before the Council and stated that he was having considerable trouble making collection of fees for garbage service rendered. He stated that he intended to open an office in the City for the purpose of making collections and requested that he be permitted to charge a penalty in the event that the bills for garbage service were not paid before the tenth of a subsequent month. The City Attorney was directed to review the present City Ordinances concerning garbage disposal and to determine and advise the Council at a later date if such a charge be permissible.

At this time the City Attorney called the attention of the Council to three ordinances of the Town of San Anselmo concerning the weed clearance problem from property in San Anselmo, namely Nos. 33-170-213, and after such discussion it was determined by the City Council that no further ordinance is necessary at this time.

Upon motion of Councilman Kientz, seconded by Councilman Love, a resolution was duly passed and adopted authorizing payment of Warrants #8863 to 8924 inclusive.

The City Council engaged in some conversation and discussion concerning the moving into the Town of San Anselmo of previously constructed buildings in possible violation of our City Building Ordinance. No action was taken in this connection.

At 12:50 A.M. on July 11, 1945, the regular meeting of the City Council of the Town of San Anselmo was adjourned to 8 o'clock P.M. on the 7th day of August, 1945, at the City Hall in the Town of San Anselmo.

Read and approved

21 August, 1945

Ray M. Overdick, Clerk.