Joint Board Meeting
April 29, 1941.

A joint meeting of the City Council and the Board of County Commissioners was held in the office of the Mayor, City Hall, at 11 o'clock A.M., Tuesday, April 29, 1941, for the purpose of discussing and approving joint City and County budget matters for the fiscal year 1941-42.

Present for the City: Mayor Douglas, Councilmen: Albee, Baxter, Hovis, Huntley, Little, Nance, Sides and Ward; also City Attorney Scarborough, City Manager: Armstrong and City Accountant McCorkle.

Present for the County: Chairman McAden, Commissioners: Cashion, Hamilton, McDonald and Price; County Attorney DeLaney, County Accountant Bradshaw and Asst. County Accountant Carter.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, who stated its purpose.

The following matters were then taken up and disposed of as shown:

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT.

Mr. Bradshaw read a list of salaries in this Department, showing a few minor increases, but the County Commissioners advised that they would like to have this budget held to $22,000.00. Whereupon, Councilman Sides moved that this Department be budgeted on the same basis as last year, at an amount not to exceed $22,000.00 for the fiscal year 1941-42. This motion seconded by Commissioner Cashion and carried.

TAX LISTING.

After a full discussion regarding the manner in which this joint account should be handled, the County asking that the City pay one-third of the cost of tax listing and the County two-thirds, Councilman Baxter made a motion that committees be appointed from each Board to work out this particular matter, with power to act, which was seconded by Councilman Ward, but Councilman Nance offered a substitute motion that the matter be left as it is, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter, but upon being put to a vote, the motion lost.

Councilman Sides then moved that the departmental expense be set up on a basis of one-third for the City and two-thirds for the County. This motion was seconded by Councilman Little and carried.

INDUSTRIAL HOME.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Baxter, this budget was approved on the same basis as last year, not to exceed $7405.00.
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HOSPITALIZATION.

After discussion, Councilman Baxter made a motion to adopt the Hospital budget not to exceed $29,000, but no second was received. Councilman Namee also made a substitute motion, that it not exceed $28,000.00, but this motion also received no second.

Councilman Albea then moved that the budget be adopted not to exceed $30,000.00 for the fiscal year 1941-42, on the same basis as last year, viz: the City to pay 65% of the cost of those patients living inside the City limits and the County to pay 35% of the cost for patients living within the City limits and all of the cost of patients living outside the City limits. Motion seconded by Councilman Sides and carried.

CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

After much discussion, Mr. McDonald, County Commissioner, moved that the County contribute the sum of $15,000 towards the operating costs of the City Health Department. No second.

After further discussion, Councilman Baxter made a motion that the County budget on a basis of fifty percent of the cost of operating certain divisions of the City Health Department, which are Administrative, Laboratory, General Clinic and Venereal Disease Clinic, in a sum not to exceed $80,273.95 for the County’s part. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

PAUPER BURIALS

In this Department the City pays the cost of all burial lots and grave digging and the County pays for the pauper coffins. Commissioner McDonald made a motion that, effective July 1, 1941, the County pay $7.50 for infant coffins, $22.50 for adolescent coffins and $20.00 for adult coffins. This motion seconded by Commissioner Cashion and carried.

Councilman Albea then moved that the joint operation of Pauper Burials be handled on the same basis as last year, as set out above, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Commissioner Cashion advised that certain weights and measures equipment were necessary for the efficient operation of this Department and that in order to purchase additional weights, trailer for hauling same, etc., it would be necessary to increase the cost of the Department to approximately $3300.00 for the fiscal year 1941-42. Councilman Huntley made a motion that this Department be handled jointly on the same basis as last year, at a cost not to exceed $3300.00. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cashion and carried.

JOINT RADIO ACCOUNT.

Councilman Ward asked for salary increases for the Chief Engineer and his two assistants in the Radio Division, and moved that the salary of the chief engineer be increased to $100.00 per month and the salary of the two assistants to $145.00 per month each, effective as of July 1st, 1941. Motion seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried.
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W.P.A. SEWING ROOMS.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Little, the W.P.A. sewing room joint account is to be handled on the same basis as last year.

FIRE SERVICE IN THE COUNTY.

Councilman Sides moved that the manner of handling fire service outside the city limits and within the county remain the same as last year, which was seconded by Councilman Ward and carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the meeting then adjourned.

Alice T. McCann
City Clerk

Clerk, Board of County Commissioners