

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL.  
REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
*Monday, October 9th, 1876—7½ o'clock P. M.* }

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, John Caven, in the chair, and the following members:

Councilmen Adams, Buehrig, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Craft, Difle, Izor, Kenzel, Morse, McGinty, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Steinhauer, Thalman, Thomas, Webster, Wright, Arthur L., and Wright, William G.—20.

Absent—Councilmen Darnell, Laughlin, McGill, Pouder, Reasener and Stratford—6.

The proceedings of the regular session, held October 2th, 1876, were read and approved.

## REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report :

*Indianapolis, October 9, 1876.*

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen*:—I herewith report the following estimates for work done:

A first and final estimate allowed James W. Hudson for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutter on the east side of Tennessee street, between Maryland and Chesapeake streets—

220 6 lineal feet bowldering at 49 cents.....	\$108 09
60 7 lineal feet curbing at 39 cents.....	23 67
Total .....	\$131 76
Less old bowlders furnished by city.....	2 50
Balance.....	\$129 26

Also, a first and partial estimate allowed Johnson & Christerson for building a fire cistern at the corner of Shelby and Beecher streets—

1,063 15 barrels at 35 cents.....	\$372 10
Less amount kept aback.....	172 10
Present payment.....	\$200 00

Respectfully submitted,

BERNHARD H. DIETZ,

City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed James W. Hudson for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutter on the east side of Tennessee street, between Maryland and Chesapeake streets, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Craft, Izor, Kenzel, Morse, McGinty, Schmidt, Steinhauer, Thalman, Thomas, Webster, Wright, Arthur L., and Wright, William G. —16.

Negative—None.

Also, the following report :

*Indianapolis, October 9, 1876.*

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen* :—I herewith report the following contracts and bonds for your approval :

Contract and bond of John L Hanna for grading and graveling the first alley north of Christian avenue, running from College avenue to Ash street.

Contract and bond of Irwin & Hanna for grading and graveling Third street and sidewalks, between the Central Canal and West street.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNHARD H. DIETZ,

City Civil Engineer

Which was received, contracts concurred in, and bonds approved.

The City Clerk submitted the following report :

*Indianapolis, October 9, 1876.*

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen* :—The City Clerk respectfully reports the following affidavits now on file in his office for the collection of street assessment, by precept, to-wit :

Holtz & Hennessee vs. Isaac D. Morton for. . . . .	\$ 4 80
Holtz & Hennessee vs. Henry C. Sailors for. . . . .	4 80
Holtz & Hennessee vs. James Francis for. . . . .	4 32
Irwin & Hanna vs. Thomas F. Ryan for. . . . .	19 17

And respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT,

City Clerk.

Which was concurred in, and precepts ordered to issue by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Craft, Izor, Kenzel, Morse, McGinty, Schmidt, Steinhauer, Thalman, Thomas, Webster, Wright, Arthur L., and Wright, William G.—16.

Negative—None.

#### INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES.

Mr. McGinty introduced special ordinance No. 116, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of West street, running from Merrill street to the first alley south of Merrill street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced appropriation ordinance No. 58, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money on account of the Street Repair Department of the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thomas introduced special ordinance No. 117, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Union street and sidewalks, from Hill street to Palmer street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Webster introduced appropriation ordinance No. 59, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money to pay sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of placing the above appropriation ordinances on their final passage.

Which motion to suspend the rules was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Craft, Diffley, Izor, Kenzel, Morse, McGinty, Ransdell, Schmidt, Steinhauer, Thalman, Thomas, Webster, Wright, Aarthur L., and Wright, William G.—18.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 58, 1876,

Was read the second time and engrossed.

Appropriation ordinance No. 59, 1876,

Was read the second time and engrossed.

Appropriation ordinances No. 58 and 59, 1876, were read the third times and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Craft, Diffley, Izor, Kenzel, Morse, McGinty, Ransdell, Schmidt, Steinhauer, Thalman, Thomas, Webster, Wright, Arthur L., and Wright, William G.—18.

Negative—None.

Mr. Thalman moved to reconsider the vote by which the bond of Gorge W. Buchanan for grading and graveling Potomac or west

Court street and sidewalks, between West and California streets, was approved at last meeting.

Which motion to reconsider was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Buehrig, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Craft, Diffley, Izor, Kenzel, Morse, McGinty, Ransdell, Schmidt, Steinhauer, Thalman, Tnomas, Webster, Wright, Arthur L., and Wright, William G.—19.

Negative—None.

Mr. Thalman moved that the contract be annulled and the bond rejected, the contractor having given his consent.

Which motion was adopted.

By consent, Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

*Moved,* That when this Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet on next Thursday evening at 7½ o'clock.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Schmidt offered the following motion :

*Moved,* That the Board of Police be, and are, hereby authorized and empowered to appoint as many special policemen as in their judgment may be necessary to preserve the peace during to-morrow's election.

Mr. Buehrig moved to amend by saying "one extra policeman."

Which was laid on the table.

The Mayor stated that at a meeting held in the afternoon, consisting of the Governor, Sheriff and himself, and ten gentlemen from each party, it had been agreed that the Sheriff should appoint five men and the Chief of Police five men, to be stationed at each voting precinct to preserve order, etc., also, that two hundred men

should be appointed, one hundred by the Sheriff, and one hundred by the Chief of Police, to be held in reserve to quell any out-break or riot that might occur.

Mr. Ransdell offered the following substitute for Mr. Schmidt's motion :

*Moved,* That the Police Board be authorized to appoint one hundred and sixty-five special policemen, and in case an emergency arises requiring a larger number to preserve the peace, that said Board shall be empowered to appoint as many as may be necessary.

Which was accepted by Mr. Schmidt, and was then adopted.

By consent, Mr. Ransdell offered the following motion :

*Moved,* That Ingram Fletcher have permission to construct a sewer along St. Clair street, from his residence to Illinois street, and to connect the same with the Illinois street sewer. This permit is hereby granted with the express condition that said Fletcher shall comply with an ordinance governing such cases.

Which was adopted.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

*J. Coaren* Mayor.

Attest :

*Benj. Wright* City Clerk.