

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF
THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Wednesday, May 23d, 1877—8 o'clock P. M. }

The Board of Aldermen met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

His Honor, the President, Horatio C. Newcomb, in the chair
and Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder,
Stratford, and Wiles—9. Absent—Alderman Wallace—1.

The proceedings of the adjourned session, held May 16th, 1877,
having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, the
reading of the same was dispensed with.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

On Contracts—Wiles, Wallace and Snyder.

On Streets and Alleys—Coburn, Krug and McGill.

On Accounts and Claims—Chandler, Coburn and Stratford.

- On Finance*—Wallace, Wiles and McGill.
On Judiciary—Wallace, Foster and Stratford.
On Sewers—Krug, Coburn and Snyder.
On Water Works—Foster, Chandler and McGill.
On Bridges—Coburn, Wiles and Stratford.
On Fire Department—Wiles, Coburn and McGill.
On Gas Light—Wallace, Coburn and Snyder.
On Railroads—Chandler, Krug and Stratford.
On Revision of Ordinances—Wallace, Wiles and Snyder.
On Public Schools—Wiles, Wallace and McGill.
On Markets—Coburn, Chandler and Stratford.
On Parks—Krug, Coburn and Snyder.
On Printing, Stationery, etc.—Foster, Wiles and Stratford.
On Public Buildings—Stratford, Coburn and Krug.
On Benevolence and Hospitals—Chandler, Wallace and Stratford.
On Board of Police—Foster, Coburn and Snyder.
On Opening and Laying Out Streets and Alleys—McGill, Wiles and Krug.
On Sellers Farm—Snyder, Coburn and Chandler.
On Tunnels—Krug, Coburn and Stratford.

On motion, the subject of printing the Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen was referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery, etc.

Alderman Wiles, from special committee, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

Indianapolis, May 23, 1877.

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We beg to report that the approaches to the bridge over the canal, at the Third street crossing, have already been filled sufficiently for the present.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. WILES,
 T. E. CHANDLER,
 Aldermen Second District.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Special ordinance No. 5, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Japan or East street, from Yeiser street to the first alley north of Yeiser street,

Was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special ordinance No. 8, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk on Mississippi street, between Tinker street and Herbert street,

Was read the second time, and amended by inserting in the ordaining clause the words, "and Board of Aldermen." The ordinance was then ordered engrossed.

Special ordinance No. 10, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of the first alley north of English avenue, between Cedar and Dillon streets,

Was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special ordinance No. 14, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for the improvement of Clifford avenue, between Massachusetts avenue and Pogue Run, by grading and graveling the street with good screened or raked gravel, and bowldering the gutters to a width of seven (7) feet,

Was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special ordinance No. 15, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Herbert street and sidewalks, between Illinois and Meridian streets,

Was read the second time, and amended by inserting in the ordaining clause the words, "and Board of Aldermen." The ordinance was then ordered engrossed.

Special ordinance No. 16, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Carlos street and sidewalks, from Ray street to Morris street,

Was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special ordinance No. 17, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of New Jersey street, between Washington and Market streets,

Was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special ordinance No. 8, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk on Mississippi street, between Tinker street and Herbert street,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Special ordinance No. 15, 1877, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Herbert street and sidewalks, between Illinois and Meridian streets,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

The following communication from the City Clerk was received:

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK,
Indianapolis, May 23, 1877. }

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit the following papers, passed upon by the Common Council, for your action upon same:

Report from City Civil Engineer, allowing two estimates for work done, and estimate resolutions accompanying said report—3 papers.

Opinion of City Attorney relative to proper procedure on part of city in the matter of condemnation and appropriation of fifteen feet off of east side of lot number five in Samuel Hanway's subdivision of lots nine and ten, in Ovid Butler's subdivision of part of the southeast quarter of section thirty-six, township sixteen, north of range three, for the purpose of opening Peru street.

Report from City Clerk, stating sundry affidavits had been filed in his office for collection of sewer and street assessments by precept.

Resolution, providing for a special electinn to fill the vacancy in the office of Councilman from the Sixteenth Ward.

Motion, instructing City Clerk and Committee on Printing to publish two hundred Standing Committee cards

Motion, instructing Street Commissioner to abate nuisance at the west end of Irwin street.

Motion, instructing Street Commissioner to clean the gutters on Tennessee street, between Ray and McCarty streets.

Motion, granting permission to Fred, Brocking to grade and gravel his sidewalk, at corner of Illinois and Ray streets; City Civil Engineer to set the grade stakes.

Special ordinance No. 123, 1876.

Special ordinance No. 134, 1876.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL—ACTION UPON.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, reporting a second and partial estimate in favor of James Mahoney, for improving Wabash

street between Alabama and Delaware streets; also, a first and final estimate in favor of John Flaherty for grading and graveling the first alley north of Second street, from Pennsylvania street to the first alley west, and the estimate resolutions accompanying said report [see Proceedings of Common Council, May 21, 1877, pages 33 and 34], were read, and the estimates concurred in and adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

The opinion of the City Attorney relative to the claim of Samuel Hanway on part of lot 5 in Hanway's subdivision of lots 9 and 10 in Ovid Butler's subdivision of part of the southeast quarter of section 36, township 16, north of range 3, condemned and appropriated by the city on account of the opening of Peru street [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, pages 34 and 35], was read, and, on motion of Alderman Stratford, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report of the City Clerk, stating that sundry affidavits, for the collection of street and sewer assessments by precept, were on file in his office [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, page 40], was read and concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

The resolution providing for a special election, to be held in the Sixteenth Ward, on the 20th day of June, 1877, for the election of

one Councilman from said ward [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, page 46], was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

The motion instructing the City Clerk and Committee on Printing to cause to be printed 200 committee cards [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, page 47], was read.

On motion by Alderman Foster, the motion was amended so as to include the committees of the Board of Aldermen.

The motion, as amended, was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

The motion instructing the Street Commissioner to abate the nuisance at the west end of Irwin street [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, page 47], was read, and, on motion of Alderman McGill, referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The motion instructing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters on Tennessee street, between Ray and McCarty streets [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, page 50], was read, and, on motion by Alderman McGill, referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The motion granting permission to Fred Brocking to grade and gravel, at his own expense, the sidewalk on the corner of Illinois

and Ray streets [see Proceedings of the Common Council, May 21, 1877, page 50], was read and adopted.

Special ordinance No. 123, 1876, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling California street and sidewalks, from Washington street to Maryland street,

Was taken up and read the first time.

Special ordinance No. 134, 1876, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Pearl street, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets,

Was taken up and read the first time.

Alderman Stratford moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of placing the above entitled ordinances on their second and third reading, and final passage; which motion was adopted, and the rules suspended by the following vote:

Affirmative—Alderman Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Special ordinance No. 123, 1876, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling California street and sidewalks, from Washington street to Maryland street,

Was read the second time, and amended by inserting in the ordaining clause the words, "and Board of Aldermen." The ordinance was then ordered engrossed, and read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Special ordinance No. 134, 1876, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Pearl street, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets;

Was read the second time, and amended by inserting in the ordaining clause the words, "and Board of Aldermen." The ordinance was then ordered engrossed, and read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, and Wiles—8.

Negative—President Newcomb—1.

ROLL CALL.

Alderman Foster offered the following resolution :

Resolved, by the Board of Aldermen (the Common Council concurring), That permission be, and is hereby, granted to J. W. Davis, to remove the Massachusetts Avenue M. E. Church from its present lot, north of Massachusetts avenue, between Oak and Plum streets, to Butler street, near Central avenue, by way of Arch street to Park avenue, on Park avenue to Butler street, and on Butler street to the new lot, northeast corner of Butler street and Central avenue.

Which resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snyder, Stratford, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Alderman Stratford offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Board of Aldermen recommend to the Mayor and Common Council the appointment of two or more experts, to examine the books of the City Treasurer and City Clerk, they never having been examined, or for many years at least.

Alderman Wiles moved to refer the motion to the Committee on Finance; which motion to refer was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, Wiles, and President Newcomb—6.

Negative—Aldermen McGill, Snyder, and Stratford—3.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen adjourned until Wednesday evening, May 30, 1877, at 8 o'clock.

HORATIO C. NEWCOMB,

President.

Attest :

GEO. T. BREUNIG,

Clerk of Board of Aldermen.