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PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF  
THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
*Tuesday, September 4th, 1877—8 o'clock P. M.* }

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session.

Present at roll-call—His Honor, the President, H. C. Newcomb, in the chair, and Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, and Wallace—8. Appeared subsequently—Alderman Wiles—1. Total present—9.

Absent during entire session—Alderman Stratford—1.

The proceedings of the adjourned session, held August 28th, 1877, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, the reading of the same was dispensed with.

No new business presenting itself, the message and papers from the Common Council were taken up, and considered.

## MESSAGE FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message from the Common Council was received :

*Indianapolis*, September 4, 1877.

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen* :—I herewith transmit certain papers, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its last regular session, held September 3d, 1877, for your action upon same.

Respectfully,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

## PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL—ACTION UPON.

Statement of the bonded indebtedness of the City of Indianapolis, and amount of warrants and city orders outstanding on May 1, 1877 [see Council Proceedings, page 386], was duly received.

Report from City Civil Engineer, giving a first and final estimate allowed James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley north of English avenue, between Cedar and Dillon streets; also, giving a second and final estimate to John Schier, for building a fire-cistern at the corner of Williams and Mississippi streets [see Council Proceedings, page 389], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in approving such report, was duly concurred in.

The concurrent resolution, allowing the first estimate, was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, and President Newcomb—8.

Negative—None.

Report from same officer, transmitting the contract and bond of J. J. McKnight, for grading and graveling Sixth street and sidewalks, between Delaware and Alabama streets; also, the contract and bond of E. B. Elliott, for grading and graveling Herbert street

and sidewalks, between Illinois and Meridian streets [see Council Proceedings, page 390], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in receiving such report, concurring in said contracts, and approving said bonds, was duly concurred in.

Report from City Clerk, giving the following list of affidavits, filed in his office, for collection of street assessments by precept, viz.:

John Schier vs. Abram R. Colborn, for.....	6 97
John Schier vs. Abram R. Colborn, for.....	9 13
John Greene vs. George K. Cameron, for.....	8 25

and recommending that precepts be ordered to issue [see Council Proceedings, page 390], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in such report, and in ordering the precepts to issue, was duly approved by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, and President Newcomb—8.

Negative—None.

Report from Street Commissioner, of work done in his Department during the month of August, 1877 [see Council Proceedings, page 391], was read, and the action of the Common Council in approving said report, was duly concurred in.

Report from Fire Board and City Attorney, in answer to a communication from the Water-Works Company—printed in Council Proceedings, page 361, and which had been referred to them—[see Council Proceedings, page 393], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said report, was duly approved.

During the reading of preceding paper, Alderman Wiles appeared, and took his seat.

Report from Council Committee on Streets and Alleys, recommending (1) that the Street Commissioner raise or lower the west gutter of Mississippi street; (2) that an ordinance be prepared for

re-graveling New York street, between Indiana avenue and the canal; (3) that the Street Commissioner fill the chuck-holes in New York street, between the canal and West street; (4) that the same officer fill the chuck-holes in Vermont street, between the canal and West street; (5) that same officer scrape the dust, and fill the chuck-holes in Ohio street, between Illinois and Alabama streets; (6) that same officer build a wooden culvert over east ditch on Cady street, from Lord street to the I., C. & L. R. R. tracks; (7) that same officer put in a wooden culvert on south side of North street, at crossing of California street; (8) that same officer clean the gutter of St. Clair street, between Broadway and Plum streets; (9) that same officer clean the gutters of Bismarck street, from Virginia avenue to Sullivan street [see Council Proceedings, page 403], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in the several clauses of said report, was duly approved.

Report from same committee, recommending (2) that the Street Commissioner repair the Delaware street pavement, from the south side of St. Clair street to Tinker street, at a cost not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five dollars [see Council Proceedings, page 405], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said clause, was duly approved.

Report from same committee, recommending (2) that the Board of Police be directed to instruct the sanitary policeman to notify property owners on alley running south from South street, between Madison avenue and Pennsylvania street, to immediately remove the ashes and cinders obstructing same [see Council Proceedings, page 407], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said clause, was duly approved.

The following ordinances were then read first time:

Ap. O. 62, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Fire Department.

Ap. O. 63, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of City Hospital and Branch.

Ap. O. 64, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station Houses.

Ap. O. 65, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

Ap. O. 66, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery, and Advertising.

Ap. O. 67, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money on account of the Street-Repair Department of the City of Indianapolis.

Ap. O. 68, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims incurred during the "Railroad Strike" of July, 1877, being for Supplies, etc., furnished the State Militia.

Appropriation ordinance No. 62, 1877, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 63, 1877, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 64, 1877, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Alderman Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 65, 1877, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 66, 1877, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 67, 1877, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—9.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 68, 1877, was then read the second time.

Alderman McGill moved to refer this ordinance to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney. Lost.

Said ordinance was then read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—7.

Negative—Aldermen McGill and Snider—2.

Motion, to instruct the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes on Ellsworth street, at a cost not exceeding fifteen dollars [see Council Proceedings, page 412], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, granting Conrad Bauer and W. A. Cox permission to lay a bowlder-crossing over sidewalk, at No. 111 W. New York street [see Council Proceedings, page 412], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the Street Commissioner to repair the floor of the bridge over the mill-race, on W. Washington street [see Council Proceedings, page 412], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in West street, between New York and North streets [see Council Proceedings, page 412], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, granting Scott & Coats permission to lay a stone-crossing over N. Illinois street, opposite their place of business, under the usual restrictions [see Council Proceedings, page 413], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, granting owners of property on the alley running north and south from Pearl to Maryland streets, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets, permission to improve the same, subject to usual restrictions [see Council Proceedings, page 413], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to instruct the Street Commissioner to fill the south and east sidewalks around the City Hospital Grounds, with gravel, up to grade of same, at a cost not exceeding twenty dollars [see Council Proceedings, page 413], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

At request, the City Attorney read his opinion on the legality and validity of the contract between the city and the Indianapolis Gas-Light and Coke Company [see Council Proceedings, pages 398—402].

The report of the Council Committee on Gas-Light, on the matter of discontinuing a large number of public gas-lamps [see Council Proceedings, page 397], was, also, read.

On Alderman Wiles's motion, the Aldermanic Committee on Gas-Light were instructed to confer with the Gas Company, to see whether an amicable arrangement can not be made with said company, either to reduce price for the public gas, to discontinue the use of a number of street lamps, or to diminish the hours of burning a portion of same.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

H. C. NEWCOMB, President.

Attest:

GEO. T. BREUNIG,

Clerk of Board of Aldermen.