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Council Chamber  
Indianapolis May 3, 1851

Council met - Present Messrs Loudon, Pitts, Durham, Woodward, Buchanan, Edwards, & Mr Cully President. \*

The object of the meeting being the election of the several officers of the city council, on motion of Mr Loudon the council proceeded to ballot for secretary, Durham & Buchanan acting as tellers - Dan B. Cully, was elected

On motion of Mr Woodard the council proceeded to the election of treasurer, Edwards & Pitts acting as tellers - A. F. Shortridge was elected

On motion of Mr Pitts the council proceeded to the election of Marshal, Woodward & Buchanan acting as tellers - Simms A. Colly was elected

On motion the council proceeded to the election of Street Commissioner, Edwards & Durham acting as tellers - Jos Butch was elected

On motion of Mr Loudon the council proceeded to the election of City engineer, Buchanan & Woodard acting as tellers - James Wood was elected

On motion of Mr Woodard the council proceeded to the election of city Attorney, Durham & Pitts acting as tellers - A. G. Porter was elected

On motion the council proceeded to the election of market master for the west market Woodward & Buchanan acting as tellers - Jacob Miller was elected

On motion council proceeded to the election of Market master for the east market - Durham & Buchanan acting as tellers - Jacob Miller was elected

On motion council proceeded to the election of sexton for public grave yard - Edwards & Pitts acting as tellers - Philip Socks was elected

On motion the council proceeded to the election of a weigh master. Buchanan & Woodward acting as tellers - Adam Haugh was elected

The committee to whom was referred the subject of adopting assessment of the county assessor, made the following report - viz -

Mr. President

The committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of adopting the county assessment for city purposes, would report that they have considered the case, & came to the following conclusions -

\* Mr A. A. Loudon of the 3rd Ward presented his credentials and took his seat

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1st The tax on dogs would be lost by adopting the county assessment  
2nd The tax list would have to be made upon the appraisal of real estate made 5 years since as the new assessment will not be returned in time

3rd The difficulty in making the distinction between property lying in the city and out of it, owned by the same person.

Your committee would therefore recommend that an assessor be elected, but as the county assessor has just been over the ground and made a very full assessment, would recommend to the council to elect the same person for city assessor as is now discharging the duties of county assessor

Respectfully submitted

C. Woodard

Geo. W. Pitts

Nathan Edwards

On motion of Mr Loudon, the report was concurred in, excepting that portion that recommends the appointment of county assessor

On motion the council adjourned to meet at 7. o clock P. M. on Monday next

Attest

Jos T. Roberts Secty

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