

Common Council Chamber
Indianapolis, April 4th, 1853

Council met. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, & Messrs Buchanan, Culley, Greer, & Pitts Councilmen.

The Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report read and accepted.

The Street Commissioner's report for month was read as follows:

Expended in 1st Ward \$2.20; 2d Ward \$1.65; 3d Ward \$20.15; 4th Ward \$110;
5th Ward \$22.55; 6th Ward \$1.65; 7th Ward \$21.17; \$70.47

Allowed Michael Rinney	Labor	8.35
" Patrick Griffin	"	8.80
" James Conley	"	2.75
" Peter Dolen	"	.55
" Michael Riley	"	1.65
" Michael Ward	"	.55
" Michael O'Brien	"	7.70
" Hugh Slaven	"	30.24
" Thos. Drauen	"	6.40
" Patrick Quinn	"	3.30
		<u>70.47</u>

Allowed Elgin Petty	Labor with team	2.00
" Lucinda Ward	do	2.00
" P. Michael heir	500 brick for public wells	2.50
" City Gas Company	do	2.00
" McCord & Wheatley	making 3 pumps boxes	7.50

The following communication was received from the Fire Association:

"At a regular meeting of the Indianapolis Fire Association held on Wednesday the 2nd day of March 1853 it was

"Resolved That the Common Council be recommended to appropriate to the Hook & Ladder Company the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of purchasing new apparatus. B.R. Sulgrove, Prest.

Attest: A. Graydon, Secy."

On Motion

Allowed The Hook & Ladder Co. for apparatus etc.	\$100.00
" Austin H. Brown Bill of printing to date	61.90

Mr. Greer from a Select Committee on that subject made the following report:

"Your committee to whom was referred the subject

Yours truly,
[Signature]

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of ordering Merrill & McCarty Street opened, have attended to that duty, and have ascertained that they are regularly laid out upon the original profile or plat of the city, and have never been vacated, they, therefore offer for adoption the following resolutions."

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to notify the owners of the property lying or bordering upon McCarty Street to open the said street immediately; also,

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to notify the owners of property lying or bordering upon Merrill Street to open the said Street immediately."

Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Greer, Buchanan, Culley & Fidler 4; Noes 0

Mr. Culley from a select committee on that subject reported the following ordinance:

"An Ordinance amendatory of the ordinance establishing the width of sidewalks, and for other purposes."

Section 1. Be it ordained and established by the Mayor and Common Council of Indianapolis, That on all streets ninety feet wide in said city the sidewalk shall be fifteen feet in width measuring from the inner edge of the pavement to the curb; on Streets sixty feet wide the sidewalks shall be twelve feet in width; & on streets less than sixty feet in width the sidewalks shall be ten feet wide as aforesaid.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall not effect the width of sidewalks on Washington Street, nor alter the inclination of sidewalks as fixed by ordinance, nor shall it disturb the location of shade trees already planted & growing.

Sec. 3. Sidewalks already paved and in good repair shall be extended to conform to the width hereby established when the same are repaved; and shade trees hereafter planted shall be placed at the outer edge of the curb.

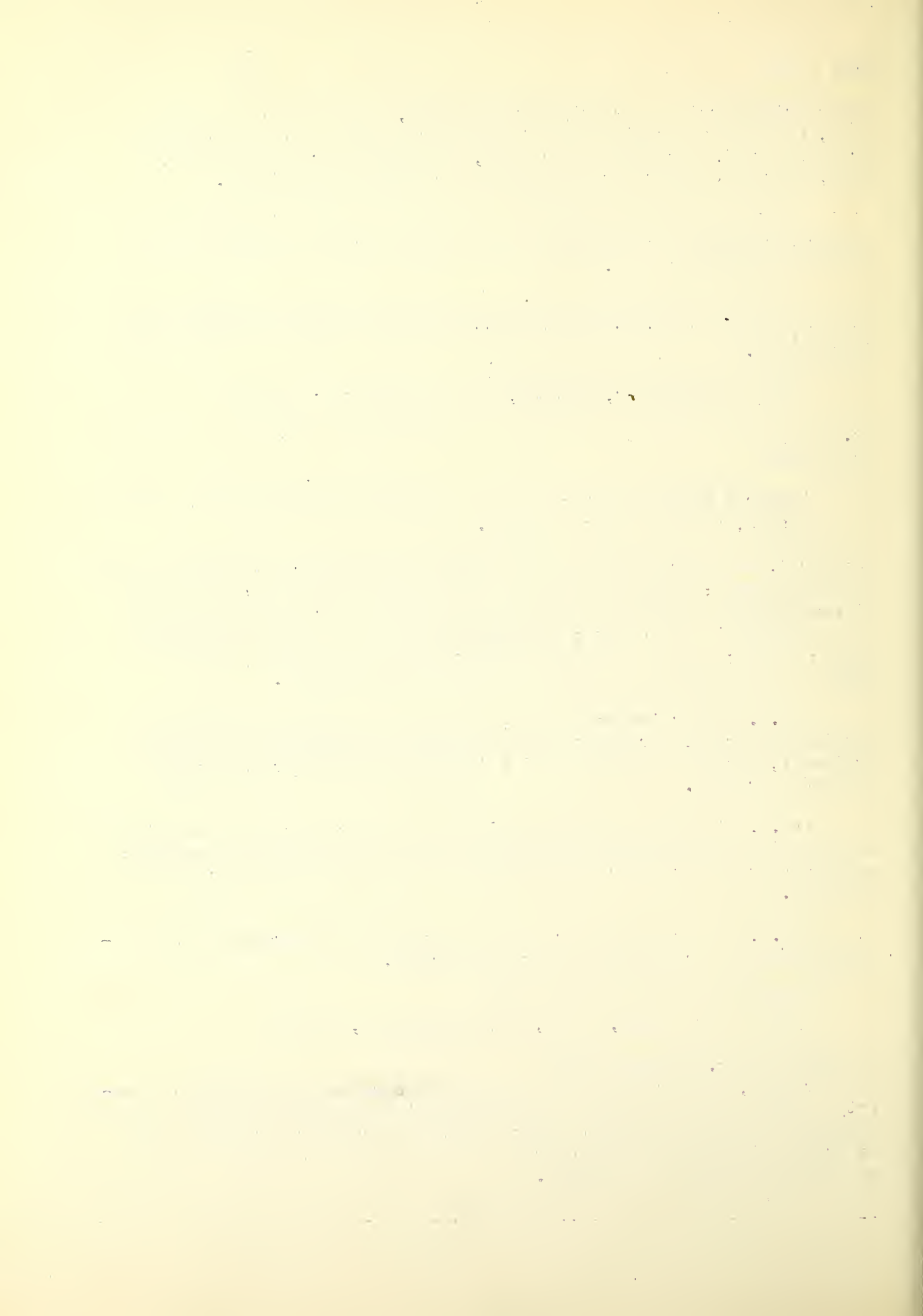
Sec. 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances contravening the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Greer, Culley, Pitts, Buchanan 4, Noes 0

On Motion by Mr. Buchanan it was

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the property holders on the West side of East Street between Washington & Louisiana street to complete their sidewalks heretofore ordered & that he proceed immediately to the grading & graveling of sidewalk in front of the School house in 7th Ward.



Mr. Greer offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Hook & Ladder Company be authorized to construct a house suitable for the new wagons and present their their bill to this Council for the same."

On Motion

Referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Greer, Culley & Buchanan.

Wm. Sheets appeared and orally petitioned the Council to affix a license tax upon the Masonic Hall to cover all exhibitions to be holden in said Hall for the space of one year.

On Motion referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Culley, Pitts & Louden.

On Motion adjourned to meet again on Wednesday the 13th inst.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor
Daniel B. Culley,
City Clerk

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Wednesday April 13th '53.

Council met. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Messrs. Pitts, Greer, Fitler, Buchanan, Delzell & Louden & Culley, Councilmen.

Allowed David Richart	hauling gravel 3d Ward	\$ 5.50
" Daniel Keely	laying pavement E. M. House	4.50
" A. F. Shortridge,	amt. paid as County & State tax for City	25.25

Mr. Delzell, Chairman of a Select Committee on that subject reported as follows:

The Committee to whom the account of Daniel Keely for gravel placed on Kentucky Avenue would report that the account is correct and recommend that the bill be allowed.

S. Delzell
J. B. Fitler
John Greer

Allowed Daniel Keely as above recommended	3.50
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Mr. Delzell presented the following petition:

To the Honorable the Common Council of Indianapolis,