

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1867, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, in the chair,
and the following members :

Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Geisel, Goddard,
Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Wood-
burn—12.

Absent—Councilmen Brown, Colley, Kappes, Schmidt and Stan-
ton—5.

Business was resumed in the order in which it was left off at last
regular meeting, viz :

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion by Mr. Geisel, special ordinance No. 61—1867, was
taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. MacArthur, special appropriation ordinance No.
49—1867, was taken up and read the second time, and ordered to be
engrossed.

On motion by Dr. Woodburn, special ordinance No. 66—1867, was
taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Dr. Woodburn, special ordinance No. 69—1867, was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Goddard, special ordinance No. 67—1867, was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Coburn, special ordinance No. 70—1867, was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Mr. MacArthur called up special ordinance No. 47—1867, entitled:
AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to the Indianapolis Benevolent Society.
Which was read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Burgess, Davis, Goddard, Henschen, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—8.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Coburn, Cottrell, Geisel and Jameson—4.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Goddard called up special ordinance No. 50—1867, entitled:
AN ORDINANCE to provide for the erection of lamp posts, lamps and fixtures complete to burn gas, except the service pipe—on Mississippi street, between Washington and Georgia streets.
Which was read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—12.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Coburn called up special ordinance No. 70—1867, entitled:
AN ORDINANCE to provide for the erection of lamp posts, lamps and fixtures complete to burn gas, except the service pipe—on Vermont street, between Meridian and Tennessee streets.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis,

Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—12.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Loomis called up special ordinance No. 33—1867, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling the alley running east and west, between Huron, Elm, Cedar and Pine streets.

Which was read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—12.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Dr. Jameson introduced general ordinance No. 99—entitled:

AN ORDINANCE amending an ordinance prescribing rules and regulations for the government of the Common Council, and so forth.

Which was read the first and second times, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on Bridges, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867.

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

Your committee to whom was referred the petition, for the construction of a foot bridge over Pogue's Run, on Mississippi street, have had the matter under consideration, and would respectfully report that said bridge is very much needed, and your committee would recommend that a bridge ten feet wide be constructed at that point.

J. W. DAVIS,
HENRY GEISEL,
JAMES BURGESS, } *Committee on Bridges.*

Which was concurred in.

Dr. Jameson presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We the undersigned citizens of the first ward, do hereby respectfully ask and petition your honorable body, to give Levi F. Wilmington, the appointment of day Policemen of the first ward, for the following reasons, to-wit:

1. He has served us well and faithfully as night Policemen for the last fourteen months, and given good satisfaction to all.

2. We recommend him because we think him worthy, and entitled in every way, and he should have the place on account of the diseased condition of his eyes.

3. We would recommend his promotion and appointment to the day run, for the reason, that when he was on the day run for three or four weeks this spring, he could be seen in every portion of the ward, while the present incumbent, Jacob B. Power, is rarely ever seen in the northern part of the ward, but may be seen more frequently along the line of Washington street or the Post Office than any other place. For the above reasons we present this petition, and would respectfully ask that your honorable board will hear and grant this petition.

Samuel A. Johnston,
W. J. Johnston,
David Munson,

C. H. Munson,
C. Fredgen,
And 34 others.

Which was referred to the Board of Police.

Mr. Goddard offered the following motion:

That the Street Commissioner be authorized to put a culvert on Tennessee and Maryland streets, at the crossing on Kentucky Avenue,

Which was adopted.

Mr. Burgess presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867.

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

Your petitioners respectfully represent that they are greatly annoyed and damaged, by the alighting and congregating of Pigeons on the roofs of their dwellings and other buildings on their premises, No's. 453 and 455 North Tennessee street, thus creating a nuisance which renders their cistern water unfit for use. We respectfully petition your honorable body to grant us permission to abate said nuisance, by giving us special authority to shoot any or all Pigeons that may alight on our premises, and greatly oblige

Your very obedient servants,

A. S. MOUNT.
E. W. SLOANE.

Which was referred to the City Marshall, with instructions to have the pigeons shot.

Mr. Seidenstieker, from the Judiciary Committee, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867.

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

Your committee to whom was referred a contract for grading and graveling Kentucky Avenue, with a proviso, that the city pay for the improvement of said Avenue, to be assessed upon the cemetery grounds, and a motion previously offered in reference to the same subject, respectfully report:

In examining the cemetery plats, we find that between the private lots in said cemetery and Kentucky Avenue, there is a public walk and alley of about four feet in width. This walk while it belongs to the cemetery is neither owned by the original owners, nor by the present lot owners, and whether the cemetery is a public ground or not, this walk certainly is, under

these circumstances we cannot doubt, that the city is liable for the street assessment, as far as Kentucky Avenue borders on the cemetery ground, and we therefore recommend the approval of the contract in its present form.

Respectfully,
A. SEIDENSTICKER, of *Judiciary Committee*.

Which was concurred in, and the contract approved, and bond accepted.

Mr. Davis offered the following motion:

That the street commissioner be, and is hereby directed to construct a foot bridge over Pogue's Run, on Mississippi street, the earliest possible period.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Geisel offered the following motion:

That the street commissioner be, and he is hereby instructed to erect a culvert on the east side of Meridian and Maryland streets.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Dr. Jameson, from the Finance Committee, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867.

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

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of George Hg, asking that taxes erroneously paid by him be refunded, would respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

P. H. JAMESON, } *Committee.*
THOMAS COTTRELL, }

Which was concurred in.

Dr. Jameson, from the Finance Committee, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867

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

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of F. Borst, asking the Council to order a duplicate order in place of one he had lost, would respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, *provided*, the petitioner file with the Auditor a bond, with security in double the amount of the lost order.

P. H. JAMESON, } *Committee.*
THOMAS COTTRELL, }

Which was concurred in.

The City Auditor made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 15, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The City Auditor respectfully reports the following:

1. First and final estimate allowed William Kown for grading and graveling Noble street and sidewalks between Washington and North streets.

2. First and final estimate allowed Cogill, Smock, and Cogill for grading and graveling East street and sidewalks between Bicking street and the Corporation line south.

3. First and final estimate allowed Thomas H. Williams for grading and graveling the alley running north and south through out-lot 40.

Respectfully,

JOHN G. WATERS,
City Auditor.

Which was concurred in.

The City Auditor offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Cogill, Smock and Cogill for grading and graveling East street and sidewalks between Bicking street and the Corporation line south 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.

The ayes and noes being taken under the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Davis, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—11.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the resolution was adopted.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Thomas H. Williams, for grading and graveling the alley running north and south through out-lot 40, 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.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Davis, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—11.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the resolution was adopted.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Wm. Kown for grading and graveling Noble street and sidewalks, between Washington and North 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.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were were Councilmen Burgess, Coburn, Da-

vis, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—11.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the resolution was adopted.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, August 15, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Permit me to report the following work finished according to contract:

William Kowin for grading and graveling Noble street and sidewalks between Washington and Northstreets.

Length of East side.....	2957 feet 1½ in.
Length of west side.....	2958 " "

Total length.....	5915 feet 1½ in.
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At fifty cents per lineal foot.....	50
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Total.....	\$2957.56¼
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Respectfully,

R. M. PATTERSON, *Civil Engineer.*

Which was concurred in.

On motion by Mr. Seidensticker, the Council adjourned to meet Friday evening, August 16, 1867, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor.*

ATTEST:

D. M. RANSELL, *City Clerk.*