

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1870, 7 O'CLOCK P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

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

Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Gimber, Harrison, Heckman, Ken-
nington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms,
Weaver, Whitsit Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Absent—Councilman Kahn—1.

The proceedings of the adjourned session held January 7, 1870,
and of the regular session held January 10, 1870, were read and ap-
proved.

The special order for the meeting being the consideration of the
report of the Committee on Public Buildings, made to Council Janu-
ary 10, 1870, said report was read, and the plans of Messrs. Daggett
& Enos were exhibited to the Council.

Mr. Newman moved to postpone the acceptance of plans and specifications for said building for one week.

The question being on postponement.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Gimber, Harrison, Newman, Pyle, Thalman, Weaver Wiles and Woodburn—8.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Shepherd, Thoms and Whitsit—9.

So the motion to postpone was lost.

Mr. Cottrell moved that the City Clerk advertise for proposals for building said house, according to the two plans submitted by Messrs. Daggett and Enos—the plan of Mr. Enos designating \$8,000 as the cost, and that of Mr. Daggett \$9,000.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote.

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Gimber, Harrison, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Woodburn—16.

Negative—Councilman Wiles—1.

The Committee on Public Buildings were instructed to notify the above-named architects to have their plans and specifications ready for reference upon the application of bidders.

The motion offered by his Honor, the Mayor, at the meeting of Council January 7, 1870, granting G. W. Allred the privilege of entering the Green Lawn Cemetery, to care for the property belonging to the Terre Haute Railroad Company, was called up.

The question being on the adoption of the motion.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Gimber, Harrison, Locke, Shepherd, Thalman, Weaver and Woodburn—9.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Heckman, Kennington, Newman, Pyle, Thoms, Whitsit and Wiles—7.

So the motion was adopted.

Dr. Woodburn introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 2, 1870, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money on account of repairs and out-fit of City Hospital.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Newman, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 17, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the petition of William Hadley, Esq., City Assessor, in relation to additional pay for increased labor in his office, in consequence of the annexation of additional territory to the city, thus greatly adding to his labor for the current year, beg leave to report, that your Committee have had that matter under consideration, and are of opinion that three hundred dollars, and twelve and one-half cents for each transfer, would be a sufficient sum, though not a large one, for the increased labor. Your Committee, therefore, recommend such an allowance to be made to Mr. Hadley, for such increase of labor.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. NEWMAN, }
J. H. WOODBURN, } Committee.
THO'S COTTRELL, }

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Harrison, from the Committee on Revision of ordinances, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 17, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Revision of Ordinances, who were instructed to report an ordinance to amend Rule 15 of the "Rules and Regulations," herewith report an ordinance, in compliance with said instructions.

Respectfully submitted,

TEMPLE C. HARRISON, }
ERIE LOCKE, } Committee.
THOMAS COTTRELL, }

Which was received.

Also, General ordinance No. 4, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance prescribing rules and regulations for the government of the City Council, its officers, and officers connected with the city government," ordained July 19, 1869.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Locke, from Committee on Public Schools, presented the following from the School Trustees :

OFFICE OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, }
Indianapolis, January. 17, 1870. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the School Fund, for the quarter ending December 31, 1869 :

1869.			
October 1.	To balance Special Fund on hand	\$ 5,431 50	
October 10.	To Prof. Feathers' Readings	20 15	
October 20.	To W. A. Bell, for office rent	40 00	
October 31.	By sundry expenditures for October		\$ 2,303 17
November 30.	By sundry expenditures for November		994 13
December 31.	By sundry expenditures for December		4,110 36
December 31.	Balance due Trustees	1,916 00	
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		\$ 7,407 66	\$ 7,407 66
October 1.	To balance Tuition Fund on hand	\$32,052 78	
November 11.	To amount received from County Treasurer	5,983 95	
December 10.	To A. C. Shortridge, for Tuition collected	138 85	
October 9.	By Paid Teachers Roll for month to date		\$ 4,261 65
October 29.	By Paid Teachers Roll for 20 days to date		4,387 14
November 26.	By Paid Teachers Roll for 20 days to date		4,476 39
December 24.	By Paid Teachers Roll for 20 days to date		4,673 32
December 31.	By balance Tuition Fund on hand		20,377 08
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		\$38,175 58	\$38,175 58

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. YOHN,
W. H. L. NOBLE, } Trustees.
JOHN R. ELDER, }

Which was received.

Mr. Kennington, from select committee, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 17, 1870.

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—The special committee to whom was referred the subject of

reconsidering the action of vacating the alley in Eckert's sub-division of out-lot 131, adjoining ground owned by the Glass Manufacturing Company, would respectfully report, that we believe that no action should be taken in that respect, as ample time was given to all parties interested to remonstrate against the vacation of said alley, during the pendency of the notice to vacate said alley, and also that the lot owned by the person now opposing said vacation does not touch the alley vacated by the Council.

The committee would now ask to be discharged from any further action in regard to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT KENNINGTON, }
FR. THOMS, } Committee.
THOMAS COTTRELL, }

Which was concurred in.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The Civil Engineer mace the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 17, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby report the following work finished according to contract:

Samuel Lefever—For paving and curbing with stone the sidewalks in front of the State building, on the corner of Washington and Tennessee streets.

530.9 superficial yards of pavement, at \$4 05 per yard	-	\$2150 14
217 lineal feet of curb, at 75 cents per foot	-	162 75
Total estimate,	-	\$2312 89

Also :

Samuel Lefever—A partial estimate on Ray street sewer.

2889.83 lineal feet of sewer, at \$5 25 per foot,	-	\$15,171 60
12 manholes at \$20	-	240 00
11 catchbasins at \$110	-	1,210 00
Total estimate,	-	\$16,621 60
Deduct 5 per cent.,	-	831 60
Total payment	-	\$15,790 00
Deduct former payment,	-	9,350 00
Present payment,	-	\$6,440 00

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, *Civil Engineer.*

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, }
Indianapolis, Jan. 17, 1870. }

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

The City Clerk respectfully reports to Council :

First, Contract and bond of Hanway & Lefever for grading and graveling Garden street and sidewalks, from Mississippi to Tennessee street.

Second, Contract and bond of Stacy, Renshaw & Stacy, for building an iron bridge over the waste way of the Central Canal, on the National Road, near Geisendorff's Woolen Factory.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. RANSDELL, *City Clerk.*

Which was concurred in, and contracts and bonds approved.

The City Clerk made the following report :

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, }
Indianapolis, Jan. 17, 1870. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully report that there are on file in my office the following affidavits for the collection of street assessment by precept, as follows :

Daniel Mahoney vs. Mary Tindall, for \$17 92.

R. P. Dunning vs. Amanda Calvert, for \$25 74.

R. P. Dunning vs. Jerry Buckley, for \$25 74.

And would respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL M. RANSDELL, *City Clerk.*

Which was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue.

The City Treasurer made the following report :

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, }
Indianapolis, Jan. 17, 1869. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to report, that until recently it has been the custom, by an ordinance, for contractors to collect from property holders the cost of gas posts erected in front of their property.

There now seems to be an ordinance requiring the city to pay said contractor for all gas posts so furnished, and await the collection from property

holders by said contractor. Under the operation of said ordinance, the City Treasurer has paid, on warrants drawn by the Clerk, over \$1,500, but has received no money into the Treasury in payment for said posts.

And I further respectfully report, that the lot owned by the city, on Maryland street, was leased to Mr. Peabody or Peacock, for the purpose of herding mules, for a consideration of \$15, till January 1, 1870, and that I have made a demand for said sum, without success of obtaining said money.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. FOSTER, *City Treasurer.*

The City Sexton made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan^y 17, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I want a stove for my office. The one I have has been used about twenty years, and is about gone up. As I am obliged to keep a fire in my office, and on many occasions am compelled to leave my office when there is a hot stove in it, the stove now in use being in such a shattered condition, it might fall down and burn the office. If you will get me one, I will agree that the expense will not exceed \$15.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. H. HEDGES, *City Sexton.*

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Printing and Advertising.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

Daniel Macauley
DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor.*

ATTEST:

S. M. Randall
~~S. M. RANDALL~~, *City Clerk.*