

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 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, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.  
Absent—None.

The proceedings of the regular session held November 14th 1870, were read and approved.

## ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Marsee introduced general Ordinance No. 65, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance to protect the hose belonging to the fire department of the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 218, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for planting shade trees on New York street, from Indiana avenue to Agnes street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Marsee introduced General Ordinance No. 66, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance to allow the Union Railway Company of Indianapolis, to double-track a part of Louisiana street, upon the removal of certain railroad switches, and providing certain penalties.

Which was read the first time.

## REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 21, 1870.

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

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

Richard Carr, for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk on Noble street, from Market street to Vermont street. Length, 1,153.06, at 70 cts. per foot ..... \$807 45

Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Fletcher avenue, running from Harrison street to pine street :	
North side.....	416.09
South side.....	440.00
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Total.....	856.09, at 22 cts per foot..... 188 48
Oliver Keely, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on Ohio street, from Meridian street to Noble street:	
North side.....	2100.11
South side.....	1468.04
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Total.....	3569.03, at 69½ cts. per foot..... 2,480 63
William Kowan, for grading and graveling New York street and sidewalks, from the west side of Blake street to Agnes street :	
North side.....	634.00
South side.....	637.00
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Total.....	1271.00, at 48 cts. per foot..... 610 08
Patterson & Dunning, for grading and graveling Pennsylvania street, from St. Clair street to the north side of First street :	
East side.....	1130.02½
West side.....	1130.06
Street crossings.....	74.06
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Total.....	2335.02½, at \$1 77.....\$4,133 25
Curbing.....	280.09, at 85 cts. per foot... 238 76
Stone crosswalks, 13 ; estimated at.....	627 56
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Total estimate.....	4,999 57
Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling Georgia street and sidewalks, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street :	
North side.....	420.00
South side.....	420.00
City.....	30.00
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Total.....	870.00, at 80 cts. per foot....\$696 00
Resetting fifty feet stone curb, at 20 cts. per foot...	10 00
Paving 16.6 yards with old brick, 15 cts. per yd...	2 49
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Total.....	708 49

James Mahoney, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on Georgia street, from East to Noble streets :

North side.....	800.00
South side.....	798.01
City.....	49.00

Total.....	1647.01, at 43½ cts, per foot.....	716 48
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James Mahoney, for grading, bowldering and curbing the outside edge of the sidewalks on Georgia street, from East to Noble streets :

North side.....	869.11½
South side.....	869.11
City.....	170.01½

Total.....	1910.00, at \$1 10 per ft.....	\$1910 00
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Curbing north side...	800.00
Curbing south side...	798.01
Curbing, city .....	40.00

Total.....	1638.81, at 20 cts. per ft.....	327 62
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Stone curb, 53 feet, 85 cts. per foot.....	45 05
Stone cross-walks, 3; estimated at.....	75 00
11 yards paving, 70 cts. per yard.....	7 70

Total estimate.....	2,365 67
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Wm. Yeager, for grading and graveling the first alley south of North street, running east and west from Noble to Liberty streets, through out-lot 49 :

North side.....	380.11
South side.....	380.11

Total.....	760.10, at 32 cts. per foot.....	243 78
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Greenleaf Manufacturing Co., for building iron bridge over Pogues run, where the same crosses Tennessee street :

Bridge .....	\$3,250 00
Flooring on railroad portion.....	31 95

Total.....	\$3,281 95
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Deduct former estimate.....	2,000 00
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Present payment.....	1,281 95
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Daniel Shear, for building bridge over Pogues run, on  
Garden street, 11,335, and timber at \$4 00 per 100 feet..... 453 40

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON,

Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 21, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: The City Clerk respectfully reports to Council:

Contract and bond of Samuel LeFevre, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk on Pratt street, from Meridian street to Illinois street.

Contract and bond of John Richardson, for building a bridge over Pogues run on McCarty street.

First and final estimate allowed Richard Carr, for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk on Noble street, from Market street to Vermont street.

First and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Fletcher avenue, running from Harrison street to Pine street.

First and final estimate allowed Oliver Keely, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on Ohio street, from Meridian street to Noble street.

First and final estimate allowed William Kowan, for grading and graveling New York street and sidewalks, from the west side of Blake street to Agnes street.

First and final estimate allowed Patterson & Dunning, for grading and bowldering Pennsylvania street, from the west side of St. Clair street to the north side of First street.

First and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling Georgia street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.

First and final estimate allowed James Mahoney, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on Georgia street, from East street to Noble street.

First and final estimate allowed James Mahoney, for grading, bowldering and curbing the outside edges of the sidewalks on Georgia street, from East street to Noble street.

Contract and bond of Samuel LeFevre, for grading and bowldering the gutter and curbing the outside edge of the sidewalk, with white oak plank, the east sidewalk on Delaware street, from lot 15 in out-lot 106, to first alley south of McCarty street.

First and final estimate allowed William Yeager, for grading and graveling the first alley south of North street, running from Noble street to Liberty street.

Contract and bond of Peter W. H. Johnson, for planting and boxing shade trees on California street, from Vermont street to St. Clair street; on Fayette street, from North street to St. Clair street; on North street, from Missouri street to Blake street, and on Vermont street, from Missouri street to Bright street.

Respectfully submitted,

DAN. M. RANSELL,

City Clerk.

Which was concurred in and the contracts and bonds approved.

Also, the following estimates :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Oliver Keely, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Ohio street, between Meridian and Noble 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Fletcher's avenue, running from Harrison street to Pine street, 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodbuan—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Richard Carr, for grading and paviing with brick the east sidewalk of Noble street, between Market and Vermont 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also the following :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Wm. Kowan, for grading and graveling New York street and sidewalks, from the west side of Blake street to Agnes street, 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following:

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Paterson & Dunning, for grading and bowldering Pennsylvania street, from St. Clair street to the north side of First street, 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following:

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling Georgia street and sidewalks, between Pennsylvania and Delaware 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.



Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following:

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed James Mahoney, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on Georgia street, between East and Noble 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following:

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed James Mahoney, for grading, bowldering and curbing the outside edges of the sidewalks with white oak curbing, on Georgia street, between East and Noble 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahu, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Rea-

gan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following:

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Wm. Yeager, for grading and graveling the first alley south of North street, running from Noble street to Liberty street, 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Negatives—None.

The Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 21, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to inform you that J. H. Robinson, contractor on the new channel for Pogues run has, up to the time he was released from such contract by the the Council, received \$561 85, and that this amount was payment in full for all work done by him under his contract.

The quantity of earth remaining in the channel and removed by the Street Commissioner after deducting as much as was required to fill certain portions of the old channel, was 2,836 yards.

The cost of moving this amount at 30 cts. per yd., is.....	\$850 80
The same amount of earth at 38 cts., (18 cts. contract price, and 20 cts. value of each to contractor,) is.....	1,077 58
Leaving a difference of .....	226 88

Very respectfully,  
R. M. PATTERSON,  
Civil Engineer.

I concur in the above report.  
A. BRUNER,  
Street Commissioner.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Harrison, Heckman, Locke, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—9.

Negative—Councilmen Cottrell, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Shepherd, Thoms and Weaver—9.

There being a tie vote, his Honor the Mayor, voted in the affirmative.

The City Clerk made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 21, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: The City Clerk would respectfully report to your honorable body that, there are on file in his office, the following affidavits for the collection of street assessment, as follows:

John Anderson & Co. vs. Andrew Wallace, for.....	\$1,418 62
John Anderson & Co. vs. Henry Brown, for.....	736 12
John Anderson & Co. vs. Wm. Wilkinson, for.....	490 75
John Anderson & Co. vs. Wm. Smith, for.....	981 50
John Anderson & Co. vs. Samuel Bristor, for.....	339 75
John Anderson & Co. vs. Huldah A. Stout, for .....	332 20
John Anderson & Co. vs. Margaret S. Coffman, for.....	604 00

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

DAN. M. RANSDELL,  
City Clerk.

Which was concurred in and the precepts ordered to issue.

And on motion by Dr. Woodburn, the City Clerk's report, made to the Council Nov. 14, 1870, recommending certain precepts to issue, was concurred in, with the exception of that part referring to the Meike's, which was stricken out.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 66, 1870, appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

The City Gas Inspector made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 21, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: Mr. Locke's motion, directing the Street Commissioner to place guard-posts about the public gas lamps at the corners of streets and alleys, having been referred to me, with instructions to report a plan and the cost of the same, I would now state:

That the only feasible system of protection which suggests itself to my mind, is one that will guard the lamps in three different directions, viz: from any danger approaching them along the lines of the streets or alleys at the corners of which they are erected, as well as from any dangers at the angles thus formed.

The lamps are placed only one foot inside the curbing. The angle guard, therefore, should be in the curbing itself, for there is no room at that point for the placing of an independent guard post. I would suggest that it would be a good idea, hereafter, to cause special angle-curbing to be used at those intersections of streets and alleys where lamps are likely to be erected, and that this angle-curbing project from one foot to eighteen inches above the top line of the other curbing, and have its two ends and outer edge beveled away so as to throw off the wheel of any vehicle approaching the lamp in a diagonal direction. The side lines of this angle-curbing should be about two feet each.

The guard posts suggested should be of locust or cedar, sufficiently high above the surface of the ground to catch the axle of any vehicle

threatening injury to the lamp, and set in the ground deep enough to sustain a very heavy blow. Probably five feet would be length enough for the posts, which would allow of two feet below and three feet above ground. These posts should be at least five inches in diameter above ground, and set not nearer than one foot of the lamp.

I have made no inquiry as to the cost of the proposed angle-curb-ing, as I considered it would be impracticable to attempt the carrying out of any such idea this season.

The wooden guard posts, with the labor of placing same as suggested, cannot be estimated at less than one dollar per pair, or lamp.

As it is now past the middle of November, it is scarcely possible that the weather which is usual at this season of the year would long permit the work of putting in any ground-posts whatever; I would, therefore, recommend that the Councilmen of the different wards be allowed to furnish lists of such lamps as they may consider peculiarly liable to breakage by runaways, and that the Street Commissioner be then authorized to protect the same, according to the plans suggested, so far as time and opportunity will permit.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. FLEMING,

City Gas Inspector.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas.

On motion, the matter of adopting a cast iron culvert for the city, was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. Kennington, Marsee and Reagan.

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Newman made the following report:

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

GENTLEMEN: Your Committee to whom was referred in conjunction with the City Attorney, the communication of Fred. Fells, and others, in reference to the opening of Dillon street, from Harrison street to Bates street, in said City, report: That they know of no reason why said Dillon street should not be opened as suggested. That if the damages occasioned by so opening said street, if any, have been paid, they present for adoption the accompanying resolution:

*Motion:* That the Marshal and the City Engineer [forthwith proceed to open Dillon street, in accordance with the order directing said street so to be opened, heretofore passed, by this Council.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY, City Attor'y.	} Committee.
JOHN S. NEWMAN,	
THOMAS COTTRELL,	
TEMPLE C. HARRISON,	

Which was concurred in and the resolution adopted.

On motion by Mr. Marsee, the Chief Fire Engineer was instructed to take the extra Steam Fire Engine and hose Reel, and fill the cisterns at the County Poor House.

Mr. Weaver made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 21, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: Having considered the motion offered by Mr. Marsee on last Monday evening, directing the City Gas Inspector to place a lamp post at the corner of the new Station House, we would now report:

That we find provisions have already been made for lamps over the Station House door on Alabama street and on Pearl street, and that bracket lamp of the style now used for lighting our alleys, if so placed, would afford more than double the light of a single post lamp; these bracket lamps would not be so liable to breakage as a post lamp, and, being connected with the meter in the house, could be lighted and burned without regard to the time-table governing the lighting and extinguishing of public gas lamps.

A post lamp, with all its appurtenances, would cost \$30; the two bracket lamps would cost \$15,50, and the expenses of putting them in position, which, in our judgment, ought not to be over \$4,50, making a total of \$20.

We would, also, recommend that a like bracket lamp be placed over the door on the east side of the building, so as to light the yard.

The total expense of erecting these three lamps, we have every reason to believe, will not exceed \$30.

We would, therefore, recommend that these bracket lamps be placed on the Station House, instead of a post lamp at the corner of said building; and that your gas officer be empowered to contract for and superintend the placing of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM W. WEAVER,  
JOHN PYLE,  
JAMES McB. SHEPHERD.

Committee.

GEO. H. FLEMING, Gas Inspector

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following:

Weekly report of the City Hospital for the week ending November 19, 1870:

Number of patients in Hospital at last report.....	43
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	7
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	1
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report....	5
Number of patients died in hospital since last report .....	...
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	46

Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Special appropriation Ordinance, No. 63, 1870.

Appropriating money for the use of the Hospital for the month of October, 1870, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Special Ordinance No. 66, 1870, appropriating money for Greenleaf & Co., for building bridge over Pogue Run, on Tennessee street, and to J. H. Robinson, for streightening Pogue Run, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, Special Ordinance No. 213, 1870, providing for grading and bowldering Louisiana street, from Illinois to Ten-

nessee street, was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney.

Mr. Marsee made the following report:

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

MR. PRESIDENT: Your Committee on streets and alleys, to whom was referred, the petition of Benjamin Hetherington & Co. asking the vacation of an alley, in out-lot 16, between Lots 8 and 9, would respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and find that the necessary notice was not given. We would, therefore, recommend that they be allowed to withdraw their petition.

ISAAC THALMAN,  
C. HECKMAN,  
J. L. MARSEE.

Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Brown presented the following communication:

MOVED: That the reports be referred to the City Attorney for his opinion as to the provisions of the law, governing the right to petition and remonstrate for and against vacating streets and alleys:

- 1st. As to who may petition.
- 2nd. Who may remonstrate.
- 3d. The effect of a proper remonstrance.
- 4th. What power has the Council to order a vacation in case of a remonstrance.
- 5th. And how is the power limited, by an objection in writing from a single property owner, whose property is in the immediate vicinity of the street or alleys proposed to be vacated,

Which was referred to the City Attorney.

On motion by Mr. Wiles, Valentine Butch was appointed as alternate Delegate to the Immigration Committee to be held in this city on the 23d and 24th inst.



## ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Special appropriation Ordinance No. 63, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance appropriating money to pay sundry claims on account of City Hospital for the month of October, 1870,

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Weaver, Thoms, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Special appropriation Ordinance No. 66, 1870. appropriating money to Greenleaf & Co. and J. H. Robinson,

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Locke, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Thalman, Weaver and Wiles—12.

Negative—Councilmen Kennington, Marsee, Shepherd, Thoms and Whitsit—5.

## CALL OF THE ROLL.

Mr. Brown presented the following petition :

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

GENTLEMEN : The undersigned, agents for the heirs of George H. Bicking, deceased, respectfully represent that the first alley east of Illinois street, immediately north of Georgia street, in rear of the Bicking House and Surgical Institute, is much of the time foul and unhealthy ; they further represent that they own all the ground bordering on said alley on the east side thereof, and 45 feet of the

ground on the west side of said alley ; and that they are desirous of having said alley graded and graveled, and would be willing to have the work done this fall if practicable.

JOHN S. SPANN & CO.,  
Agents for Bicking's heirs.

Which was received.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 219, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and gravel the first alley east of Illinois street, running north and south between Chesepeake alley and Georgia street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

*Moved* : That the Greenleaf Machine Works be allowed to raise the street to proper grade in front of their property, on South Tennessee street, between Merrill and Norwood streets ; said work to be done under the direction of the Civil Engineer. Said work to be done within 90 days from date, and at the expense of petitioners.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown introduced General Ordinance No. 67, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance regulating the manner of ordering improvements of streets and alleys of the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Harrison offered the following resolution :

WHEREAS, There are many instances in which contractors, erecting lamp posts, have not painted the posts erected by them as per contract, therefore,

*Resolved*, That the City Gas Inspector be, and he is hereby, directed to notify all such contractors to proceed at once to paint such

posts, and if the same is not done within twenty days after the service of this notice, then the Gas Inspector is hereby instructed to do said work, and report to this Council the cost of the same and the name of the contractor who should have done the work, in each case, in order that the city may proceed to collect the cost of the work from such contractors.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Mr. Heckman presented the following petition :

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

GENTLEMEN : We, the undersigned, petition your honorable body to grant us the right to grade and gravel the alley running between lots 32 and 33, in Hendricks' subdivision of out-lot 99 ; said alley running between our property from Daugherty street to the first allep south of Daugherty street, and that the City Engineer be directed to set proper grade stakes.

M. A. HUFFINGTON.  
JOHN FINN.

Which was granted.

Mr. Kennington presented the following petition :

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

GENTLEMEN : The Indianapolis Rolling Mill Company respectfully petition your honorable body for the privilege of grading and finishing, with cinder and other material from the mill, that portion of Tennessee street running in front of the property owned by the Rolling Mill Company.

J. M. LORD, President.

Which was granted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved:* That the Street Commissioner be directed to bowlder the crossing of Georgia street and Delaware.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Locke presented the following petition :

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

Your petitioners ask for the continuing of a plank walk in front of the livery stable occupied by Z. Hollingsworth, on West Washington street, instead of paving the said walk, as per order of the City Council, with brick or bowlders, as it is much better as long as said premises are occupied by a livery stable, and as the next occupant may want a brick pavement, therefore incurring the extra expense of repairing. The petitioners are satisfied that a plank crossing will be kept cleaner than any other crossing for a livery stable.

JOHN CARLISLE,  
JOHN DUNDON,  
C. E. GEISENDORFF,  
F. TAYLOR,

And 37 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report at once.

Mr. Shepherd offered the following motions :

*Moved:* That the Street Commissioner be ordered to fill the chuck holes on West Maryland street, also on South West street, from Washington street to Louisiana street.

*Moved:* That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to fill around the fire cistern on the corner of West and McCarty streets.

*Moved:* That the Street Commissioner be ordered to lower the platform to conform to the grade of the sidewalk in front of the Western Engine House.

Which were adopted.

By consent, Mr. Thalman made the following report :

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

GENTLEMEN : Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred a petition from John Carlisle and others in regard to laying wooden pavement, beg leave to report that we recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

ISAAC THALMAN,

JOHN MARSEE,

C. HECKMAN,

Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Thoms offered the following motions :

*Moved :* That J. J. Wenner, Wood Measurer at East Market, be permitted to erect an office at the city hay scales, at his own expense.

*Moved :* That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify Mrs. Mary McTaggart to repair the sidewalk in front of her property, on Market street, being lot No. 21, in square No. 41, within fourteen days, and if not done within that time to proceed with the work at her expense.

*Moved :* That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify Jacob Kane to repair the sidewalk in front of his property on Market street, being lot No. 10, in square No. 41, within fourteen days, and if the work is not done within that time, that he proceed to do it at the expense of the property holder.

Which were adopted.

Mr. Thoms offered the following motion :

*Moved :* That the Street Commissioner be instructed to build a suitable bridge or culvert over the water way on Highland street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr Weaver presented the following petitions :

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

The petitioner would respectfully show your honorable body that in the year 1868, she was assessed on \$756 of personal property more than she should have been, and paid her tax on the same before the error was discovered, and that said assessment was made without her knowledge or consent, and a return made by the Deputy Assessor without her signature. She represents that she has had the error corrected at the County Treasurer's office, and prays the Council to order the same corrected properly in the City Treasurer's office.

Respectfully submitted.

MARY H. ALVORD.

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

The undersigned would respectfully represent, that in the year 1868 he was doing business, as druggist, on the corner of Maryland and Illinois streets, and that in making his assessment for said year an error was made of one thousand dollars in his stock, which has never been corrected ; and that the same error occurred in the county assessment, which, on application to the County Commissioners, he had corrected and the tax refunded. He therefore prays the Council that they will examine into said assessment, and give him such relief as he is entitled to by law.

Respectfully submitted.

E T. MILLER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Whitsit offered the following motion :

*Moved:* That the Street Commissioner be instructed to change the gutter on Louisiana street, between East and Noble.

Which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Brown, the Council adjourned until Monday, December 5th, 1870, at 7 o'clock P. M.

DANIEL MACAULEY,

Mayor.

ATTEST :

DAN. M. RANSELL,  
City Clerk.