

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
April 16, 1894. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, April 16, 1894, at 8 o'clock, in regular meeting.

Present, Hon. Wm. H. Cooper, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 18 members, viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott and Young.

Absent, 2—viz: Messrs. Costello and Ryan.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Young moved that the further reading of the Journal be dispensed with.

Which motion prevailed.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
April 10, 1894. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved the following ordinances passed by your honorable body at your last regular and special meetings:

- App. O. No. 3, of 1894. An ordinance appropriating \$321,513.20 with which to pay certain maturing bonds and interest thereon.
- G. O. No. 11, of 1894. An ordinance authorizing the sale of personal property belonging to the City of Indianapolis.
- G. O. No. 25, of 1894. An ordinance changing the name of Ludlow Lane to Ludlow Avenue.
- G. O. No. 27, of 1894. An ordinance repealing G. O. No. 22, of 1892, providing for the sale of the Pest House property.
- G. O. No. 28, of 1894. An ordinance providing for the sale and conveyance of the Pest House property, etc.

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. DENNY,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
April 10, 1894. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—The Board of Public Works have called my attention to the fact that your honorable body has so far failed to pass any ordinance to regulate the making of private house connections with sewers, gas and water pipes, and compelling property owners to make such connections before permanent street improvements are made, and in default thereof to authorize the city to cause the work to be done at the expense of such owner, etc. Section 23 of the charter fully authorizes your body to legislate on this subject. I think a carefully prepared ordinance should at once be passed, fully covering the matters authorized by the provisions of the charter above referred to, and recommend that such action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. DENNY,
Mayor.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Ordinances, with instructions to report at next meeting.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Rauh, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred :

App. O. No. 4, 1894. An ordinance authorizing the transfer of one thousand dollars to a fund therein established and created, which is other than that for which it was originally appropriated, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Made the following report:

Mr. President :

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred App. O. No. 4, 1894, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully recommend the passage of the same.

HENRY RAUH.
GEO. MERRITT.
GEO. R. COLTER.
J. R. ALLEN.
ED. G. STOTT.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Murphy, on behalf of the Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred :

G. O. No. 6, 1894. An ordinance to provide for the appointment of an Inspector of Plumbing and House-drainage; prescribing his qualification, power and duties, and to prescribe the mode and manner of house-drainage and plumbing in the City of Indianapolis; prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the publication of the same, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Made the following report:

Mr. President :

We, the committee to whom was referred G. O. No. 6, beg leave to return the same without any report for the consideration of the Council.

O. M. MURPHY.
JOHN A. PURYEAR.
JAS. H. COSTELLO.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Drew, on behalf of the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred :

G. O. No. 72, 1893. An ordinance providing conditions under which persons, companies or corporations may open improved streets or alleys, for the purpose of laying water pipes, gas pipes, making sewer connections, repairing or making new railroads, or for any other purpose, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

Made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 16, 1894.

Mr. President :

Your committee to whom was referred G. O. No. 72, 1893, have given the matter consideration, and recommend that it be stricken from the files.

LUCIUS W. DREW.
GEO. W. SHAFFER.
WM. HENNESSY.
Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Puryear moved that the petition of Irwin & Sons, proprietors Great American Railroad Shows, be called from Finance Committee.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Allen submitted the following petition :

Mr. President :

We, the undersigned, members of the Common Council, who voted against the Alabama street ordinance at our last meeting, are not, as the papers and some of the public think, against street improvements. We are for street improvements, and want to see the Board of Public Works go ahead with them, but we do think property holders, that have to pay for all the improvements on their street, have rights that this body must respect. We think Alabama street is different from most streets, as it has both of the natural gas companies' main lines besides artificial gas and water pipes, and the street will be torn up more or less all the time on this account. The property holders petitioned for what we think is a good street, namely, the best cedar block (laid on a broken stone foundation), instead of asphalt. If they had merely remonstrated against improving the street, we should have sustained the Board of Public Works. There was no politics in this, or threats from the Alabama street property holders causing us to vote as we did. But as over two-thirds of them asked for cedar block instead of asphalt, we voted as we did.

W. H. COOPER.
GEO. W. SHAFFER.
JOHN A. PURYEAR.
A. A. YOUNG.
J. R. ALLEN.
JOHN H. SCHMID.
HENRY MAGEL.
OLIVER M. MURPHY.
ED. G. STOTT.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

Mr. Young submitted the following petition :

WEST INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 16, 1894.

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

We, the undersigned residents, resident property owners and non-resident property owners of West Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, respectfully petition to have said West Indianapolis annexed to the City of Indianapolis.

[Signed.]

Which was referred to Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Rauh, the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read second time, ordered engrossed, and then read the third time:

App. O. No. 4, 1894. An ordinance authorizing the transfer of one thousand dollars to a fund therein established and created, which is other than that for which it was originally appropriated, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES 17—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott and President Cooper.

NAYS 2—viz: Messrs. Puryear and Young.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the following entitled ordinance was taken up for consideration:

G. O. No. 6, 1894. An ordinance to provide for the appointment of an Inspector of Plumbing and House-drainage; prescribing his qualification, power and duties, and to prescribe the mode and manner of house-drainage and plumbing in the City of Indianapolis, prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for the publication of the same, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Mr. Murphy moved that G. O. No. 6, 1894, be referred back to Committee on Public property with instructions to confer with City Attorney.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Drew, the following entitled ordinance was taken up for second reading:

G. O. No. 72, 1893. An ordinance providing conditions under which persons, companies or corporations may open improved streets or alleys, for the purpose of laying water pipes, gas pipes, making sewer connections, repairing or making new railroads, or for any other purpose, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

And was stricken from the files by the following vote :

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Young moved that the petition of Irvin & Sons be referred to Committee on Ordinances.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Allen, the Common Council, at 8:30 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

H. H. Cooper

President.

ATTEST:

Benjamin

City Clerk.