

## REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
October 15, 1894. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, October 15, 1894, at 8 o'clock, in regular meeting.

Present, Hon. Wm. H. Cooper, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 13 members, viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid and Shaffer.

Absent, 7—viz: Messrs. Hennessy, Krauss, O'Brien, Ryan, Stein, Stott and Young.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Schmid 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,  
October 13, 1894. }

*To the President and Members of the Common Council:*

GENTLEMEN—I have this day approved the following ordinance and resolution of your honorable body, to-wit:

G. O. No. 50, of 1894. An ordinance requiring the C., C., C. & St. L. R'y Co., and the Lake Erie & Western R'y Co. to station and maintain a flagman at the crossing of Vermont street.

A resolution (No. 14, 1894,) directing the Finance Committee to consider the advisability of the city purchasing the plant of the Indianapolis Water Company.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY,  
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

Communication from City Comptroller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.  
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., October 15, 1894. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I would respectfully ask the appropriation, for the Department of Finance, of funds with which to repay temporary loans outstanding and interest thereon, as follows:

Loan dated August 20, 1894, Indiana National Bank . . . . .	\$70,000 00
Interest thereon at 3½ per cent. per annum . . . . .	462 77
Loan dated October 3, 1894, Indiana National Bank . . . . .	17,500 00
Interest thereon at 3 per cent. per annum . . . . .	48 12
Loan dated October 3, 1894, S. A. Fletcher & Co. . . . .	17,500 00
Interest thereon at 3 per cent. per annum . . . . .	48 12
Total . . . . .	<u>\$105,559 01</u>

I also enclose a communication from the Board of Public Works, asking the transfer of funds now standing to the credit of Garfield Park, as follows, viz:

For addition to Station House . . . . .	\$500 00
Improvement of old hay market space . . . . .	750 00

I recommend that the transfer be made should your body approve of the work contemplated.

Very respectfully,  
P. C. TRUSLER,  
City Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
October 13, 1894. }

Mr. P. C. Trusler, City Comptroller, City:

DEAR SIR—We herewith transmit to you an ordinance prepared for transferring the sum of \$1,250 from the "Garfield Park" fund to a fund to be used for "Addition to Station House" (\$500), and for the sum of \$750 to a fund to be used for the "Improvement of the Old Hay Market Space."

Will you kindly submit this ordinance to the Council with a recommendation that it pass?

Very respectfully,  
ANDREW KRAMER,  
F. J. MEYER,  
Board of Public Works.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

The following communication was received from the Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
October 15, 1894. }

Hon. W. H. Cooper, President of the Common Council:

DEAR SIR—We herewith respectfully submit to your honorable body for consideration and action thereon "An ordinance in relation to improved streets and to prohibit the injuring of the surface thereof by building fires thereon and providing a penalty for violation thereof."

Very respectfully,  
ANDREW KRAMER,  
F. J. MEYER,  
Board of Public Works.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Ordinances.

The following communication was received from the Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
October 15, 1894. }

GENTLEMEN—Our predecessors in office entered into a certain contract with the Sun Vapor Street Light Company for furnishing vapor lights to the city; also with the Indianapolis Gas Company for certain lights. Said contracts appear in full in the third annual report of this Department to the Mayor.

You have made appropriations to this Department for the four months ensuing from August 31st, and for the fiscal year ensuing from December 31, 1894, for public lights, and for vapor and gas lights. The estimates furnished by us for these appropriations were made upon a basis contemplating the payment of maturing bills under said contracts.

The City Attorney in opinion to Finance Committee has held that the Vapor Light contract is void. If so, there is also a question as to the validity of the contract with the Gas Company. In the meantime said companies are furnishing light to the city pursuant to said contract, and the city has received the benefit of such lights, and continuance of said lights is needed by the city and is a public necessity.

We respectfully ask that we be authorized to pay from said appropriations all matured bills for light so furnished by said companies, and which may be in future furnished by them, until such time as we shall be able to enter into new and valid contracts for such necessary gas and vapor lights.

Respectfully,  
ANDREW KRAMER,  
F. J. MEYER,  
*Board of Public Works.*

Which was read and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following ordinances were introduced:

By Mr. Rauh:

App. O. No. 13, 1894. An ordinance appropriating funds to the Finance Department with which to pay certain temporary loans due November 5, 1894, and interest thereon.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the funds in the treasury of the city of Indianapolis, the sum of one hundred and five thousand five hundred and fifty-nine and  $\frac{1}{100}$  dollars (\$105,559.01) to pay temporary loans due November 5th, 1894, and the interest thereon, as follows, to-wit:

Indiana National Bank, loan of date August 29th, 1894 . . . . .	\$70,000 00
Interest . . . . .	462 77
Indiana National Bank, loan of date October 3d, 1894 . . . . .	17,500 00
Interest . . . . .	48 12
Fletcher & Co., loan of date October 3d, 1894 . . . . .	17,500 00
Interest . . . . .	48 12

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Rauh:

App. O. No. 14, 1894. An ordinance authorizing the transfer of twelve hundred and fifty dollars to certain funds other than that for which it was originally appropriated, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works of the city of Indianapolie requires the sum of \$500 for an "Addition to Station House" fund, and the sum of \$750 for an "Improvement to the old Hay Market Space" fund; therefore:

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, That the City Comptroller be and he hereby is authorized and directed, out of moneys heretofore appropriated for the use of the Department of Public Works for "Garfield Park" to transfer and charge the sum of \$500, to a fund to be known and designated as "Addition to Station House." And said City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed, out of moneys heretofore appropriated for the use of said department for said "Garfield Park" to transfer and charge the sum of \$750 to a fund to be known and designated as "Improvement of the Old Hay Market Space."

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

#### INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following ordinances were introduced:

By Board of Public Works:

G. O. No. 59, 1894. An ordinance authorizing payment for vapor lights and gas lights furnished to the city.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That payment of bills for gas and vapor lights heretofore furnished to the city by the Indianapolis Gas Company, and the Sun Vapor Light Company, under the provisions of the respective contracts heretofore assumed to have been entered into between said companies, and the Board of Public Works, be and is hereby authorized, such payment to be from the funds heretofore appropriated to the Department of Public Works for such purpose; and payment from said funds for such gas and vapor lights as may be furnished by said companies pursuant to said supposed contracts in the future, and until new valid contracts shall be entered into by said board is also hereby authorized: *Provided, however,* That said Board of Public Works shall not hereby be deemed authorized to incur liability for such lights beyond the amount of existing appropriations therefor, and, *Provided, also,* this action by the Council shall not be deemed or taken as ratification of said contracts or either of them.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Board of Public Works:

G. O. No. 60, 1894. An ordinance in relation to improved streets and to prohibit the injuring of the surface thereof by building fires thereon, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis,

Indiana, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to burn any leaves, paper, rubbish or other materials on any street or alley in said city paved with asphalt, vulcanite, cedar block or any other smooth street pavement.

SEC. 2. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall, on conviction, be fined in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars.

SEC. 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in *The Sun*, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana.

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

By Mr. Drew :

G. O. No. 61, 1894. An ordinance in relation to Pendleton Pike and the changing of the name thereof.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the name of the street extending northeast from the end of Massachusetts avenue, at or near Clifford avenue in said city to the present city limits at Rural street, the same being Pendleton Pike, and being a continuation of Massachusetts avenue, be and the same is hereby changed to Massachusetts avenue.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Which was read first time and referred to Committee on Ordinances.

On motion of Mr. Shaffer, the Common Council, at 8:10 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

*W. H. Cooper*  
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President.

ATTEST:

*Lee Nixon*  
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City Clerk.