

SPECIAL MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
June 6, 1895. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Thursday evening, June 6, 1895, at 8 o'clock, in special session, pursuant to the following call:

To the Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—You are hereby requested to meet in special meeting in the Council Chamber at 8 o'clock P. M., June 6, 1895, to transact such business as may come before said meeting.

W. H. COOPER,
President.

I, Lee Nixon, Clerk of the Common Council, do hereby certify that I have served above notice upon the President and each member of the Common Council prior to the time of meeting, pursuant to the rules.

LEE NIXON,
City Clerk.

Present, Hon. Wm. H. Cooper, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 17 members, viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stott and Young.

Absent, 3—viz: Messrs. Hennessy, Krauss and Stein.

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

Which motion prevailed.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business, the following ordinance was introduced:

By Mr. Magel:

G. O. No. 33, 1895. An ordinance defining a part of the boundary line of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, so as to extend the same, and annexing to the City of Indianapolis certain territory contiguous thereto; providing for the publication thereof, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the boundary line of the City of Indianapolis, from a point in the middle of Rural street and the north line of the right of way of the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Company's right of way, be, and the same is, hereby defined and extended so as to include the following described territory contiguous to said City of Indianapolis, Indiana, whether platted or not, which said following described contiguous territory is hereby annexed to and made a part of the territory constituting and forming the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, said territory so annexed being described as follows: All that territory bounded as follows: Commencing in the middle of Rural street at its point of meeting with the north line of the right of way of the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Company's railroad, and thence eastwardly on the north line of said railway company's right of way to its point of intersection with the west line of the right of way of the Indianapolis Union Railway Company's railroad, commonly known as the Belt Railroad; thence northwardly on said west line of said Indianapolis Union Railway Company's right of way to its intersection with the middle of East Ohio street; thence west in the middle of East Ohio street to the point of its bisection with the middle of Watt street; thence north in the middle of Watt street to the point of bisection with the middle of East Michigan street; thence westwardly in the middle of said East Michigan street to the point of its bisection with the middle of Rural street, and then south in the middle of Rural street and on the line of the present eastern boundary of the City of Indianapolis to the place of beginning.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication for two consecutive weeks in the Sun, a daily paper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana.

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

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

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

G. O. No. 32, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the improvement of the roadway of Ft. Wayne avenue in the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, State of Indiana, from the west property line of Alabama street to the south end of Central avenue, excepting the space between the rails and tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad Company, by grading and paving the roadway for a width of 15.2 feet on each side of the tracks of said railroad company with the best quality of Standard Asphalt Sheet Pavement, made with the best quality of Standard Trinidad Asphalt (commonly known as Pitch Lake Asphalt, mined directly from Pitch Lake in the Island of Trinidad), or asphalt of a quality equal in all respects or superior thereto; by putting a marginal stone finish at street and alley intersections; curbing with new stone the gutters thereof, and paving and curbing the wings of all connecting streets and alleys between the above named points.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES 18—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Costello, the following entitled ordinance was called up for third reading:

G. O. No. 20, 1895. An ordinance defining a part of the boundary line of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, so as to extend the same, and annexing to the city of Indianapolis certain territory contiguous thereto, providing for the publication thereof, and fixing the time when it shall take effect.

Mr. Young offered the following amendment to G. O. No. 20, 1895:

Mr. President:

I move that General Ordinance No. 20, 1895, be amended by striking out of lines twenty-one (21) and twenty-two (22) of section 1, respectively, the words "Pennsylvania" and inserting in each place in lieu of the word stricken out the word "Meridian."

Which amendment was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 12—viz: Messrs. Allen, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, Puryear, Schmid, Shaffer, Stott and Young.

NAYS, 6—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, O'Brien, Rauh, Ryan and President Cooper.

On motion of Mr. Young, G. O. No. 20, 1895, was then ordered engrossed as amended, read a third time, and was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 11—viz: Messrs. Allen, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Puryear, Schmid, Shaffer, Stott and Young.

NAYS, 7—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Murphy, O'Brien, Rauh, Ryan and President Cooper.

Mr. Ryan asked for a verification of the vote on G. O. No. 20, 1895.

President Cooper ordered the roll re-called, which resulted as follows, Mr. Shaffer changing his vote from the affirmative to the negative, defeating the ordinance, it not receiving a constitutional majority:

AYES, 10—viz: Messrs. Allen, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Puryear, Schmid, Stott and Young.

NAYS, 8—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Murphy, O'Brien, Rauh, Ryan, Shaffer and President Cooper.

Mr. Young offered the following:

Mr. President:

I give notice that I will move to reconsider the vote on G. O. No. 20 at the next meeting of the Council.

President Cooper ruled that no member could change his vote on verification, and declared G. O. No. 20, 1895, duly passed.

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

G. O. No. 22, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the improvement of the roadway of Massachusetts avenue, in the City of Indianapolis, in Marion County, State of Indiana, from the end of the present improvement at Bellefontaine street to the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company's tracks, excepting the area between the rails and tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad Company, by grading and paving the roadway to a width of sixteen (16) feet on each side of the street railroad tracks with the best quality of Standard Asphalt Sheet Pavement, made with the Standard Trinidad Asphalt (commonly known as Pitch Lake Asphalt, mined directly from Pitch Lake in the Island of Trinidad), or Bermudez Asphalt, or asphalt of a quality equal in all respects or superior thereto; by putting a marginal finish at street and alley intersections; by curbing with new stone the gutters thereof; and paving and curbing the wings of all connecting streets and alleys between the above named points.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

Mr. Merritt offered the following motion:

I move that General Ordinances Nos. 30 and 31, 1895, be referred back to the Board of Public Works, and that we respectfully request said Board of Public Works to immediately prepare and pass proper resolutions for the improvement of Meridian street for its original width, from New York street to Seventh street, with red cedar or white pine blocks laid on a broken stone foundation.

Mr. Drew moved to lay Mr. Merritt's motion on the table.

The ayes and nays being called for, Mr. Merritt's motion was laid on the table by the following vote:

AYES, 13—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid and Shaffer.

NAYS, 5—viz: Messrs. Allen, Merritt, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

On motion of Mr. Drew, the following entitled ordinance was taken up and read a second time:

G. O. No. 30, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the improvement of the roadway of Meridian street, in the city of Indianapolis, in Marion County, State of Indiana, from the south property line of New York street to the north property line of St. Clair street, by grading and paving the roadway for a width of 40 feet, from curb to curb, with rectangular red cedar or select white pine blocks, laid on a six-inch Portland cement concrete foundation; by putting a marginal stone finish at street and alley intersections; by curbing with new stone the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof; and paving and curbing the wings of all connecting streets and alleys between the above named points.

Mr. Young offered the following motion :

I move that General Ordinances Nos. 30 and 31, 1895, be referred back to the Board of Public Works, and that we respectfully request said Board of Public Works to immediately prepare and pass proper resolutions for the improvement of Meridian street for its original width, from New York street to Seventh street, with red cedar or select white pine blocks.

The ayes and nays being called for, Mr. Young's motion was lost by the following vote :

AYES, 6—viz: Messrs. Allen, Koehring, Merritt, Puryear, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS, 12—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer and Stott.

On motion of Mr. Drew, G. O. No. 30, 1895, was then ordered engrossed, read a third time, and failed of passage for want of a constitutional majority, by the following vote :

AYES, 12—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Ryan, Schmid and Shaffer.

NAYS, 6—viz: Messrs. Allen, Merritt, Rauh, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

Before the vote was announced, Mr. Drew changed his vote from the affirmative to the negative, and offered the following :

Mr. President:

I give notice that at the next regular meeting I will call for a reconsideration of the vote on the passage of General Ordinance No. 30.

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

G. O. No. 31, 1895. An Ordinance authorizing the improvement of the roadway of Meridian street, in the City of Indianapolis, in Marion County, State of Indiana, from the north property line of St. Clair street to the south property line of Seventh street, by grading and paving the roadway for a width of 34 feet from curb to curb with rectangular red cedar or select white pine blocks, laid on a six-inch Portland cement concrete foundation; by putting a marginal stone finish at street and alley intersections; by curbing with new stone the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof, and paving and curbing the wings of all connecting streets and alleys between the above named points.

And failed of passage for want of a constitutional majority, by the following vote :

AYES, 10—viz: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Ryan and Schmid.

NAYS, 8—viz: Messrs. Allen, Magel, Merritt, Rauh, Shaffer, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

Before the vote was announced, Mr. Drew changed his vote from the affirmative to the negative, and offered the following :

Mr. President:

I give notice that at the next regular meeting I will call for a reconsideration of the vote on the passage of General Ordinance No. 31.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The resignations of Herman^uHabich and Ed. Harris, as Judges of election in the Fourth School District, having been tendered and accepted, Mr. Kaiser offered the following resolution :

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That Thomas Messick and Allen Sims are hereby appointed Judges of the School District No. 4, vice Herman Habich and Ed. Harris, resigned; election June 8, 1895.

Which was adopted by the following vote, Mr. Ryan being excused from voting :

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

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Schmid, the Common Council, at 9:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

M. H. Cooper

President.

ATTEST:

Lee Nixon

City Clerk.