

SPECIAL MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
January 19, 1898. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Wednesday evening, January 19, 1898, at 8 o'clock, in special session, pursuant to the following call:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 17, 1898.

Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council:

Dear Sir—You are hereby requested to call a special meeting of the Common Council, to meet in the Council Chamber, Wednesday, January 19, 1898, at 8 o'clock P. M., to transact such business as may come before said meeting.

JOHN M. HIGGINS.
JOHN A. VON SPRECKELSEN.
FRANK S. CLARK.
JAS. H. COSTELLO.
E. W. LITTLE.
EDWARD E. BERNAUER.
RICHARD MERRICK.
ALBERT HARSTON.
ROBERT M. MADDEN.
JOHN H. CRALL.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 17, 1898.

To the Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In pursuance of the above call you are respectfully requested to meet in the Council Chamber, Wednesday, January 19, 1898, at 8 o'clock P. M.

JNO. H. MAHONEY,
President.

I, Charles H. Stuckmeyer, 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.

CHARLES H. STUCKMEYER,
City Clerk.

Present, Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 17 members, viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Bowser, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Scanlon, Shaffer and Smith.

Absent, 3—viz.: Messrs. Clark, Colter and Von Spreckelsen.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Bernauer 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 :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 19, 1898.

Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council:

Dear Sir—I have this day approved G. O. No. 73, 1897, the same being “An ordinance concerning vapor lights, and ratifying, confirming and approving a certain agreement made and entered into on the 13th day of December, 1897, between the City of Indianapolis, by and through its Board of Public Works, and the Sun Vapor Street Light Company, and matters connected therewith, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.”

Respectfully,

T. TAGGART,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

Communication from Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD,
INDIANAPOLIS, January 19, 1898. }

Hon. John H. Mahoney, President, and Members of the Common Council City:

Gentlemen—The undersigned, the parties to a certain contract, made and entered into on the 3d day of January, 1898, by and between the City of Indianapolis and the Indianapolis Desiccating Company, whereby said company is granted permission and authority to lay a railroad track in Sellers farm, hereby consent to a modification of said contract, by the insertion, in Item 2, of said contract, the figures “\$1.00” in place of the figures “\$2.00” wherever the same occurs in said Item 2.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this 19th day of January, 1898.

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,

By M. A. DOWNING,
W. SCOTT MOORE,
T. J. MONTGOMERY,

Board of Public Works.

INDIANAPOLIS DESICCATING COMPANY,

By F. M. BACHMAN,

President.

S. E. RAUH,

Treasurer.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Contracts and Franchises.

Communication from Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD,
INDIANAPOLIS, January 19, 1898. }

Mr. E. M. Johnson, City Comptroller:

Dear Sir—The board directs me to ask that you recommend to the Common Council an appropriation for the Department of Public Works, of the sum of \$43,976.61. Of this amount, the sum of \$37,327.58 is needed to complete the new Police Station, and \$2,640 to complete the two new engine houses; the balance remaining, \$4,009.03, is required to pay legal assessments made against the city owing to the construction of the White river intercepting sewer through Greenlawn cemetery.

The board asks that you kindly indorse this request.

Very respectfully,

BART PARKER,
Clerk Board Public Works.

I hereby approve and endorse the above request.

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

Mr. E. M. Johnson, City Comptroller:

Dear Sir—The following is a statement of the cost of work and amount of contracts let for the completion of the new Police Station building to date:

Cost of real estate upon which building is constructed	\$ 20,250 00
Tearing out old buildings	175 00
Excavation and stone work.....	5,423 00
Main building	54,980 00
Vault.....	545 00
Cells.....	7,334 00
Steam heating, plumbing and gas piping	7,968 00
Copper work. (Extra, ordered by Board).....	488 00
Architect's commission.....	3,000 00
Combination gas and electric fixtures.....	1,700 00
Electric wiring.....	1,030 00

Stationary furniture.....	\$1,095 00
Incidental expenses, including Inspector's salary, cost of coal, etc.....	2,000 00
Total	\$ 106,038 00
In addition, cost of two new engine houses.....	11,027 00
Cost of engine house lot, Sixteenth and Ash streets.....	1,000 00
Total	\$ 118,065 00

Very respectfully,

BART PARKER,
Clerk Board Public Works.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

Communication from Board of Public Safety:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
INDIANAPOLIS, January 19, 1898. }

Mr. E. M. Johnson, City Comptroller:

Dear Sir—The Board of Public Safety would respectfully request you to recommend to the Common Council the passage of an ordinance appropriating to this department the sum of \$41,826.31 for the purchase of police patrol apparatus, and putting same in operation, and equipment of the central and sub-stations.

Yours truly,

C. MAGUIRE,
Chairman.

I recommend the passage of the above.

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Merrick, on behalf of the Committee on Accounts and Claims, to which was referred:

App. O. No. 1, 1898. An ordinance appropriating the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) with which to pay a certain claim made by virtue of Section 8, of an act entitled "An act to better regulate and restrict the sale of intoxicating and malt liquors," etc., approved March 11, 1895, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 19, 1898.

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Accounts and Claims have had App. O. No. 1, 1898, under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully,

RICHARD MERRICK,
EDWARD E. BERNAUER,
JOHN H. CRALL,

Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Moffett, on behalf of the Committee on Public Health, to which was referred:

G. O. No. 3, 1898. An ordinance regulating the location of morgues and undertaking establishments in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 19, 1898.

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Public Health have had G. O. No. 3, 1898, under consideration, and recommend its passage.

Respectfully,

E. D. MOFFETT,
JOHN M. HIGGINS,

Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

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

By Mr. Costello:

App. O. No. 2, 1898. An ordinance appropriating the sum of forty-three thousand nine hundred and seventy-six dollars and sixty-one cents (\$43,976.61) for the use of the Department of Public Works of the City of Indianapolis, and the sum of forty-one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six dollars and thirty-one cents (\$41,826.31) for the use of the Department of Public Safety of the City of Indianapolis, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That there be and is hereby appropriated out of any sums in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of forty-three thousand nine hundred and seventy-six dollars and sixty-one cents (\$43,976.61) for the use of the Department of Public Works during the fiscal year ending December 31, 1898, to be applied as follows:

For the payment of legal assessment against said city for the construction of the White river intercepting sewer through Greenlawn cemetery, the sum of four thousand and nine dollars and three cents (\$4,009.03).

For the completion of the two new engine houses now under course of construction, the sum of two thousand six hundred and forty dollars (\$2,640.00).

For the completion of the new Central Police Station, the sum of thirty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty-seven dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$37,327.58).

Sec. 2. There is also hereby appropriated for the use of the Department of Public Safety, the sum of forty-one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six dollars and thirty-one cents (\$41,826.31), the same to be expended for the purchase of police patrol apparatus, putting same in operation and the equipment of the new central and sub-stations.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Which was read a 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 Mr. Madden:

G. O. No. 7, 1898 An ordinance regulating hauling and transportation of sand, gravel and dirt; defining what shall constitute a load for two horses; providing a penalty for the violation thereof, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That one yard of gravel, sand or dirt shall constitute a load for two horses, to be drawn by said two horses from and out of any river, creek, bar or pit, or over any street in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana; and it shall be unlawful for anyone to haul, at one time, more than one yard of gravel, sand or dirt with two horses only, out of any river, creek, bar or pit, or over any street in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sec. 2. Anyone violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not less than one dollar nor more than fifty dollars, to which may be added imprisonment for any period not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication once a 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 a first time and referred to Committee on Public Safety and Comfort.

By Mr. Little:

G. O. No. 8, 1898. An ordinance providing for a standing committee on parks and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the President of the Common Council shall, at the next regular meeting thereof after the taking effect of this ordinance, appoint a standing committee on parks to be composed of three members, to which committee shall be referred all matters pertaining to parks.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

President Mahoney announced the appointment of the following named members as the Special Committee to consider G. O. No. 74, 1897, in compliance with Mr. Smith's motion: Messrs. Von Spreckelsen, McGrew and Crall.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

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

G. O. No. 3, 1898. An ordinance regulating the location of morgues and undertaking establishments in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mr. Higgins offered the following amendment to G. O. No. 3, 1898:

I move to amend Section one (1) of G. O. No. 3, 1898, by striking out in said section after the word "square" the words "three-fourths" in the fifth line and substituting therefor the words "two-thirds."

Also by striking out after the word "establishment" in the nineteenth line the word "already" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "heretofore;" also by striking out in the twentieth line of said section after the word "square" the word "at" and substituting therefor the words "for a period of three months prior to," so that said section when amended shall read as follows:

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That it shall not be lawful for any person to locate, build, construct, maintain or keep or continue to maintain or keep in any block or square of any street in the City of Indianapolis, State of Indiana, in which block or square two-thirds of the buildings on both sides of the

street are devoted to exclusive residence purposes, any morgue or undertaking establishment within two hundred feet of any such residence, on either side of such street, unless the owners of a majority of the lots in such block or square fronting or abutting on such street consent in writing to the location, construction, maintenance or keeping of such morgue or undertaking establishment therein. Such written consent shall be filed with the City Clerk before a permit shall be issued by the Comptroller for the erection or repair of any building to be used for such purpose and before any person shall be permitted to keep or maintain or continue to keep or maintain any such morgue or undertaking establishment in any such block or square: Provided, however, That this ordinance shall not apply to any morgue or undertaking establishment heretofore established and doing business on any such block or square for a period of three months prior to the time of the passage of this ordinance.

JOHN M. HIGGINS.

Which amendment was read, and, on motion of Mr. Higgins, adopted.

Mr. Rauch moved that G. O. No. 3, 1898, be referred back to Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Higgins moved to lay Mr. Rauch's motion on the table.

The ayes and nays being called for by Messrs. Rauch and Bowser, the roll was called, which resulted in the adoption of Mr. Higgins's motion by the following vote:

AYES 11—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett and President Mahoney.

NAYS 7—viz.: Messrs. Bowser, Knight, McGrew, Rauch, Scanlon, Shaffer and Smith.

On motion of Mr. Higgins, G. O. No. 3, 1898, was then ordered engrossed, as amended, read a third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES 12—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett and President Mahoney.

NAYS 6—viz.: Messrs. Bowser, McGrew, Rauch, Scanlon, Shaffer and Smith.

Mr. Higgins moved for a reconsideration of the vote by which G. O. No. 3, 1898, was passed.

Mr. Rauch moved to lay Mr. Higgins's motion on the table.

Which motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYES 17—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Bowser, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Scanlon, Shaffer and President Mahoney.

NAYS 1—viz.: Mr. Smith.

On motion of Mr. Bowser, the Common Council, at 8:55 o'clock, P. M., adjourned.

Geo. H. Mahoney

President.

ATTEST:

Chas. H. Stuckmeyer

City Clerk.