

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
April 3, 1899. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, April 3, 1899, at 8 o'clock, in regular meeting.

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

Absent—3, viz.: Messrs. Bowser, Costello and Scanlon.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Rauch 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,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 23, 1899. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I have this day approved the following ordinances:

App. O. No. 6, 1899. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$2,000 for the use of the Department of Public Health and Charities of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

G. O. No. 10, 1899. An ordinance to amend section four of "An ordinance regulating pawnbrokers and second-hand dealers," the same being known as G. O. No. 47, 1896.

G. O. No. 12, 1899. An ordinance transferring funds heretofore appropriated to the Department of Public Works for park purposes to and for the use of the Department of Public Parks.

G. O. No. 64, 1898. An ordinance providing that patrolmen and firemen shall receive their regular salary during the time they are disabled by sickness; that patrolmen shall receive 20 cents per hour for extra work; that firemen be allowed one day off each week with pay; and that bicycles be furnished bicycle patrolmen by the city.

Respectfully submitted,

T. TAGGART,

Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

Communication from City Comptroller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Herewith I send you petition of a committee appointed by the Grand Army Posts of this city, asking for a donation of two hundred dollars (\$200) for expenses Memorial Day.

I respectfully recommend that an appropriation be made of two hundred dollars (\$200) for such purpose, provided any unexpended balance be refunded to the city.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. JOHNSON,

City Comptroller.

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

Your petitioners, the undersigned, respectfully represent that they have been appointed a committee by the various Grand Army Posts of this city to petition that you make an appropriation of two hundred dollars (\$200) to be expended in defraying the expenses of the proper observance of the next Memorial Day.

It will be enough to remind you of the fact that many of the surviving veterans of the late civil war are now old and infirm, and while not lacking in devotion to the memory of their comrades who have gone on to the last camping ground, they have a hard struggle to provide themselves with the necessaries of life, and they feel that they have a right to call upon their fellow-citizens to contribute to the expenses incident to the proper and creditable observance of the day when all the nation does honor to the memory of those who helped to preserve it in the hour of its darkest gloom.

The appropriation we ask is a small one, and we feel quite sure that no

citizen of this prosperous city will object to it, especially in view of the fact that the State at large has done so much to erect the splendid monument that does such credit to it and adds so much to the beauty of our city.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. MAKEPEACE,
DANIEL WAIT HOWE,
WM. H. LESTER,
JNO. W. WOOD,
H. C. MEGREW,
Finance Committee.

W. H. ARMSTRONG,
Chairman General Memorial Committee.

P. ZINN,
Secretary General Memorial Committee.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

Communication from Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899. }

Mr. E. M. Johnson, City Comptroller:

Dear Sir—We ask that you recommend that an appropriation for the use of this department in the sum of \$4,200 be made by the Common Council, for the purpose of improving the space east of the Market House.

Very respectfully,

M. A. DOWNING,
W. SCOTT MOORE,
T. J. MONTGOMERY,
Board of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I recommend that the above appropriation be made as requested.

Very respectfully,

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

Communication from Board of Public Safety:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
OFFICE OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899. }

Mr. E. M. Johnson, City Comptroller:

Dear Sir—The Board of Public Safety has received official notification of the passage by the Common Council of an ordinance providing that the wheels for the bicycle patrolmen shall be purchased by the city. The Board believes that the city should pay for these wheels, but the lack of funds for this specific purpose has prevented it from providing the wheels. The Board therefore respectfully requests that you recommend to the Council the appropriation of \$400 for "bicycles and repairs."

Yours truly,

EDWARD H. DAVIS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I recommend that the above appropriation of \$400 for "bicycles and repairs" for the station house be made as requested.

Very respectfully,

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

Communication from Board of Park Commissioners:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 31, 1899. }

Mr. E. M. Johnson, City Comptroller:

Dear Sir—This Board has passed a resolution, deeming it necessary to purchase four and one-half acres of land at the northwest corner of Garfield Park, and respectfully request that you present an ordinance with your recommendation to the City Council next Monday night for an additional appropriation of three thousand one hundred dollars (\$3,100), which, in addition to other funds now in control of this Board, will enable this Board to acquire the property.

Respectfully,

WM. E. ENGLISH,
GEORGE MERRITT,
ISAAC KING,
CHARLES E. COFFIN,
Board of Park Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I recommend that the above appropriation be made as requested.

Very respectfully,

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Colter, on behalf of the Committee on Contracts and Franchises, to which was referred:

G. O. No. 11, 1899. An ordinance approving a certain contract, granting M. O'Connor & Company the right to lay and maintain a switch or side-track across Missouri street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 30, 1899.

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on Contracts and Franchises, have had under consideration G. O. No. 11, 1899, and respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

GEO. R. COLTER.
JOHN H. SCANLON.
GEO. W. SHAFFER.
JOHN A. VON SPRECKEISEN.
ALBERT E. RAUCH.
ROBERT M. MADDEX.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Colter, on behalf of the Committee on Contracts and Franchises, to which was referred:

G. O. No. 13, 1899. An ordinance approving a certain contract, granting Bartholomew D. Brooks the right to lay and maintain a switch or side-track across the first alley north of Sample street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 30, 1899.

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on Contracts and Franchises, have had under consideration G. O. No. 13, 1899, and do respectfully recommend that same do pass.

GEO. R. COLTER.
 JOHN H. SCANLON.
 E. W. LITTLE
 JOHN A. VON SPRECKELSEN.
 ALBERT E. RAUCH.
 GEO. W. SHAFFER.
 ROBERT M. MADDEN.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Colter, on behalf of the Committee on Contracts and Franchises, to which was referred:

G. O. No. 7, 1899. An ordinance ratifying, confirming and approving a certain contract and agreement made and entered into on the 20th day of February, 1899, between the City of Indianapolis, by and through its Board of Public Works, and the Chenoweth Light and Power Company, of said city, whereby said company is authorized to construct and operate an electric lighting, heating and power plant within a certain part of the City of Indianapolis, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 30, 1899.

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on Contracts and Franchises, have had under consideration G. O. No. 7, 1899, and do respectfully recommend that the same do not pass.

GEO. R. COLTER.
 JOHN H. SCANLON.
 ALBERT E. RAUCH.
 E. W. LITTLE.
 W. W. KNIGHT.
 JOHN A. VON SPRECKELSEN.
 GEO. W. SHAFFER.

Which was read and concurred in.

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

G. O. No. 15, 1899. An ordinance to prohibit the owners, agents, servants or employes of express wagons or other vehicles used for carrying freight or passengers within said city, from soliciting business at other places than therein provided, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3, 1899.

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys, have had G. O. No. 15, 1899, under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass after the same has been amended as follows:

That there be added to section one (1) after the word "City," the following: "Provided, That if any owner of any such express wagon or other public vehicle have an office in any place, such owner, or his agents or servants, may solicit business within the building and premises where such office is located."

That section three (3) be stricken out and the following two (2) sections inserted in lieu thereof:

Sec. 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication one day each week for two consecutive weeks in the Indianapolis Sentinel, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

JOHN M. HIGGINS.

E. D. MOFFETT.

JOHN A. VON SPRECKEISEN.

Which was read and concurred in.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following ordinances were introduced:

By Mr. Clark:

App. O. No. 7, 1899. An ordinance appropriating the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) to the Department of Finance, to be expended towards defraying the expenses attending the proper observance of Memorial Day, May 30, 1899, at Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, 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 there be and is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the treasury of the City of Indianapolis not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200), or as much thereof as may be necessary, to the Department of Finance, for the purpose of defraying the expenses attending the proper observance of Memorial Day, May 30, 1899, at Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, and the City Comptroller is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the treasury of said city for the above-named sum.

Sec. 2. 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.

By Mr. Clark:

App. O. No. 8, 1899. An ordinance appropriating the sum of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200) for the use of the Department of Public Works 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

funds in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200), for the use of the Department of Public Works of the City of Indianapolis, to be expended in improving the space east of the present Market House, at the corner of Market street and Alabama street, for market purposes.

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

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

By Mr. Clark:

App. O. No. 9, 1899. An ordinance appropriating four hundred dollars (\$400) for the use of the Department of Public Safety for the City of Indianapolis, 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 there be and is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400), to be expended for bicycles and repairs.

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

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

By Mr. Knight:

App. O. No. 10, 1899. An ordinance appropriating the sum of three thousand one hundred dollars (\$3,100) for the use of the Department of Public Parks 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 funds in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three thousand one hundred dollars (\$3,100) for the use of the Department of Public Parks, said sum to be applied to the purchase of real estate for park purposes, and to be credited to the fund known as "New Park Purchase, Real Estate."

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

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

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

A petition from S. D. LaFuze, M. Robinius and Lee P. Finehout, of the Ninth Ward, asking that Councilman Frank S. Clark be unseated, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Colter, thrown in the waste basket.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

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

G. O. No. 15, 1899. An ordinance to prohibit the owners, agents, servants or employes of express wagons or other vehicles used for carrying freight or passengers within said city, from soliciting business at other places than therein provided, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Mr. Higgins moved that the amendments to G. O. No. 15, 1899, as recommended by the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys, be adopted.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Higgins, G. O. No. 15, 1899, was then ordered engrossed, as amended, read a third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES 18—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Clark, Colter, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Shaffer, Smith, Von Spreckelsen and President Mahoney.

NAYS—None.

Mr. Scanlon, absent at roll-call, now arrived.

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

G. O. No. 7, 1899. An ordinance ratifying, confirming and approving a certain contract and agreement made and entered into on the 20th day of February, 1899, between the City of Indianapolis, by and through its Board of Public Works, and the Chenoweth Light and Power Company, of said city, whereby said company is authorized to construct and operate an electric lighting, heating and power plant within a certain part of the City of Indianapolis, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

And, on motion of Mr. Colter, was stricken from the files by the following vote:

AYES 18—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Clark, Colter, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Scanlon, Shaffer, Smith, Von Spreckelsen and President Mahoney.

NAYS 1—viz.: Mr. Madden.

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

G. O. No. 13, 1899. An ordinance approving a certain contract, granting Bartholomew D. Brooks the right to lay and maintain a switch or

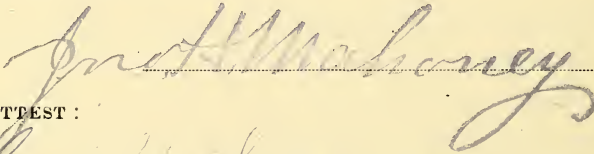
side-track across the first alley north of Sample street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Clark, Colter, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Scanlon, Shaffer, Smith, Von Spreckelsen and President Mahoney.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Harston, the Common Council, at 9:00 o'clock P. M., adjourned.



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President.

ATTEST:

 Clerk.