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Council Chamber
April 24, 1858

Council met at 7 P.M. Present the Mayor and all members of the Council except Mr. Harvey.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

- Petitions -

By Mr. Vandegrift,

A petition from C. H. Lintner & Co. asking permission to erect an awning in front of his store on the corner of Illinois and Indiana Avenue.

On Motion by Mr. Cottrell,

The petition was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Cottrell,

We the undersigned do petition to the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis to have the sidewalk on the east side of Delaware street, between Merrill and Duncan streets remain as it is, for the reason that we had it graded once and paid for it, and we understand it to be the city grade, and we now protest against having the grade changed.

Ellis L. Aker	22 feet
William Raling	110 "
C. Stanbery	22 "
C. Harmening	22 "
Charles Butterworth	44 "
Ind. & Ill. Cent. R. Way Co.	44 "
J. M. Sharpe	53 "

On Motion by Mr. Cottrell,

The petition was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and Engineer.

By Mr. Locke,

A petition from the Chief Fire Engineer, asking council to set apart the old 4th ward school house for the use of the Rover Fire Co.

Referred to Finance Committee.

Reports

Mr. Porter from Judiciary Committee, made the following report.

Mr. President,

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Frederick Kissel and others for grading and graveling of Liberty street and sidewalks, between the limits therein mentioned, report the following ordinance.

Albert G. Porter

L. Dunlap

Com.

An ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of Liberty street and the sidewalks thereof, between Washington and New York streets.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, that Liberty street and the sidewalks thereof, between Washington street and New York street, shall be properly graded, and that the sidewalks, to the width of 5 feet respectively, from the eastern and western lines of said street, be graveled to the depth of six inches with good pit gravel, and that 14 feet in width of the centre of said street, (between the limits aforesaid) be graveled with good pit gravel to the depth of twelve inches in the centre, and sloping by a regular grade to a depth of six inches on each side.

Sect. 2. The expense of the grading and graveling such street and sidewalks as aforesaid, (except so much thereof as is occupied by the crossings of streets and alleys) shall be assessed against and collected from the owners of the lots bordering on said street, between the limits aforesaid, according to the provisions of sections 66 to 69 inclusive of the city charter.

Sect. 3. The Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes, and also advertise by publication for ten days successively in the Indianapolis Daily Journal, and by posting up printed notices in not less than five of the most public places in the city, that sealed proposals will be received by the Common Council at their next regular meeting for the execution of said work.

Sect. 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

The ordinance was read the first and second times, when the rules were suspended by the following vote.

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Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 12 Noes None.

The ordinance was then read the third time, and ordained by the following vote.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13
Noes - None.

Mr. Porter, from same committee, reported an ordinance for the grading and graveleing of Illinois street between Washington street and Indiana Avenue.

Which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Porter, from same committee, reported back an ordinance for the grading and paving of the gutters on Illinois street, with several amendments.

Which was read the third time, and laid on the table.

Mr. Porter from same committee, reported an ordinance in relation to the sale of fish.

Which was read the first time, and on motion by Mr. Fletcher, referred back to the same committee to select a location for a fish Market.

Mr. Cottrell, from committee on Streets and Alleys, made a verbal report that the grade on New York street could not be changed, and that James B. Mann was the lowest bidder on Chatham street, and recommended that I. Shea be allowed to complete his contract for the improvement of Louisiana street.

All of which was concurred in.

Mr. English, from committee on Fire Department, presented a communication from the Fire Association, recommending the council to appropriate certain sums to the fire department.

Which was, on Motion by Mr. North,
Referred back to the Fire Association.

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The annual report of the Chief Fire Engineer was presented and read, and on motion by Mr. English, The Chief Engineer

was directed to have seven hundred copies printed.

From the Civil Engineer

To the Mayor and Council

The Civil Engineer in compliance with your orders, has advertised for proposals to grade and gravel Noble street between Market and South streets, also, South street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets, also, for building stone culverts over Pogues Run on Pennsylvania and Washington streets, also, for building stone culvert over the bayou on Virginia Avenue, near the intersection of Noble street, and received the following bids which are herewith presented. I have made a profile of Virginia Avenue, between South and McCarty streets, and also for South street between East and Noble streets, which are herewith presented.

759. M. L. Coyner has Virginia Avenue graded and graveled at the crossing of South street, and is justly entitled to receive for the same from the city, \$130.00. Samuel G. Wiles for crossings on Alabama street \$136.70. There is still \$30.00 reserved of the city's portion to secure the filling up of the pit on North street, which was made in the finishing up of Alabama street. I recommend payment of the above claims.

D. B. Hesbrook
Civil Engineer

Bids for grading and graveling Noble street, between South and Market

I. Russell	grading	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	graveling	22
Henry Peel & Saml. G. Wiles	"	15	"	40
Michael O'Conner	"	19	"	25
Michael O'Sullivan & Co	"	18	"	24 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wm. & Robert Johnson	"	20	"	45
Thomas Ferriter	"	15	"	25
Morrison & Doherty	"	20	"	50
Jeremiah Shea	"	20	"	25
Thos. Kiner	"	25	"	75

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Bids for grading and graveling South street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware street.

P. K. Farrell	grading	15	graveling	22
Wm. Vale	"	15	"	22
Thomas Wrin	"	13	"	21 $\frac{1}{2}$
I. Russell	"	15 $\frac{3}{4}$	"	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Andrew Maynihan	"	14	"	21
Henry Peel & Saml. G. Wilde	"	17	"	40

Bids for culvert on Washington street

Wm. M. Richter	stone work	7.25	Excavation	18	Timber	
					1.40 sq	
Jno. B. Stumph & Co	"	6.50	"	20	Timber	
					10.00 sq.	
Martin L. Coyner	"	5.00	"	24	Timber	
					12.50 sq.	
J. F. Richter	"	7.15	"	16	Timber	
					1.35 for	
					100 Sq. ft.	
Jeremiah Shea	"	9.00	"	25.40	Timber	
					19.20 for	
					100 sq. ft	

Bids for culvert on Pennsylvania street

Martin L. Coyner	"	5.00	"	21	Timber	
					12.50	
Jeremiah Shea	"	8.50		25.40	Timber	
					19.20	
Jno. B. Stumph & Co	"	6.50	"	20	Timber	
					10.00	

Bids for culvert on Virginia Avenue

Jno. B. Stumph & Co	pr cubic yard			8.00
Jeremiah Shea	" " "			6.50
Wm. Richter	" " "			6.00
M. L. Coyner	" " "			4.50

On Motion, The report was received and the accounts allowed, the bids for street improvement to be referred to the committee on Streets and Alleys and Engineer, to let the contracts to the best bidders, and the bids for culverts were referred to the Committee on Bridges and Engineer to report the cost of the same, and on motion the profiles of Virginia Avenue and South streets were adopted.

From the Street Commissioner

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To the Hon. City Council.

The undersigned submits the following report for repairing, filling and raising bridges, filling mud holes and making foot bridges in different parts of the city.

Geo. Heninger	9 days	13.50
Michael Shea	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	10.87
Jno. Shop	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	7.12
Thomas Shea	3 "	4.50
James R. Shea	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	6.75
Daniel Mediner	3 "	4.50
M. Faley	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	1.87
1946. Henry Iepson	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	1.87
Hiram Lewis	hauling	10.00
Mrs. Conway	"	9.75
Samuel G. Wiles	Making crossings	20.00
Cash paid for hauling		5.50
		<u>96.23</u>

Henry Colestock
Street Commissioner

Resolutions

By Mr. Dunlap,
Resolved, That the following sums due for building and repairing school houses, and improving the school lots of the city, and for fuel furnished, &c., to wit

Wm. Tinsley	architect	75.00
R. A. Taylor	Brick work 7th ward school house	185.84
	Issued 145.84	
	May 13th 1858	
& Redeemed School	order 145.84 No 987	
Smith & Larue	plastering 7th ward school house	107.34
Jno. L. Avery	Repairs	590.83
Enos & Kurtz, \$90.	Carpenter work 7th ward school house	265.30
A. Fisher	painting & glazing	59.55
John Smith	improving lot	8.00
J. & W. C. Burk	coal.	351.81
Smith, Stevenson & Co	"	121.88
2367. Chas Cox.	pipes &c. for school houses	54.45
William Patterson	painting	146.00
H. Tutewiler	plastering	8.00
J. Stevens	Rent	83.26
A. Bird	"	100.00
H. Adams	"	33.00
W.M. Adams	"	50.00
Munson & Johnson	stoves &c.	176.80
Stewart & Bowen	Books & Stationery	50.65
		<u>2467.71</u>

624. Charles Mayer	Mats	17.10
623. Werden & Chamberlain	Books & Stationery	24.30
S. Wainwright	Tin ware	12.50
J. R. Griffith	furniture	21.66
W. W. Roberts	Brushes	5.20
896. J. H. Vagin	Hardware	47.25
S. A Fletcher Jr	Wood	52.82
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		2648.54

be paid out of the general fund, the same to be refunded to the general fund out of any money hereafter levied and collected for the purpose or purposes for which such debts were contracted.

Adopted.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Durham, English Fletcher, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North and Vandegrift - 10

Noes - Messrs. Dunlap, Greenfield, and Porter - 3

By Mr. North

Resolved, That a vote of thanks is hereby tendered A. Wallace for efficient services and faithful discharge of his duties as Chief Fire Engineer.

Adopted.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13

Noes - None.

By Mr. Durham,

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to erect plank crossings over the gutters at the crossings of Noble and Market streets.

Adopted.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13

Noes - None.

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By Mr. Geisendorff,

Resolved, That Richard Ashworth be authorized to grade and gravel the sidewalk in front of his property on the west side of West street on the corner of Maryland street, and that the Engineer be directed to set the necessary stakes.

Adopted.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English
Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb,
North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13.
Noes - None.

By Mr. Cottrell,
Resolved, That the property holders on South street
between Alabama and New Jersey streets be permitted to grade
and gravel the sidewalks and street between the limits afore-
said, at their own expense, and that the city Engineer be
directed to set stakes for the same.

Adopted,
Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English,
Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb,
North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13
Noes - None.

By Mr. McNabb,
Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to
open the gutters on the east side of Kentucky Avenue from
Washington street to the canal, at the expense of the pro-
perty holders.

Adopted,
Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English
Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb,
North and Vandegrift - 12
Noes - None.

By Mr. Vandegrift
Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to
make an estimate of the work on Kentucky Avenue, in favor
of R. A. Looker, contractor.

Adopted.

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Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher
Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter
and Vandegrift - 13
Noes - None.

By Mr. North
Resolved, That the property holders on the East side of
Illinois street between Georgia street and the alley between
said Georgia street and Maryland street be permitted to grade
and pave the gutters in front of and bordering their property,
under the direction of the city Engineer, and at their own
expense.

Adopted

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 12
Noes - None.

By Mr. North

Resolved, That the City Engineer is hereby directed to make out an estimate in full for S.G. Wiles, so far as to the private property, for grading and graveling Alabama street and sidewalks, between Vermont and North streets.

Adopted -

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13
Noes - None.

By Mr. English

Resolved That the Street Commissioner be directed to gravel the sidewalks on the west side of New Jersey street across North street.

Adopted -

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13
Noes - None.

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By Mr. Fletcher,

Resolved, That when the council adjourn, it adjourn to meet on next Wednesday evening.

Adopted.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13.
Noes - None.

By Mr. Cottrell,

Resolved, That Charles John be permitted to grade and gravel the sidewalk in front of his lot on the south side of Washington street, between East and Noble streets, at his expense, and that the city Engineer be directed to set the grade stakes for the same.

Adopted.

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13
Noes - None.

Miscellaneous Business

Mr. Dunlap introduced the following.

An ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of Maryland street and sidewalks, between Alabama and West street.

Sect. 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, that the whole width of Maryland street between Alabama and West streets, be properly graded, and that thirty feet in width of the centre of said street, be graveled with coarse river gravel to the depth of twelve inches in the centre, and sloping to eight inches at either edge; and that the sidewalks of said street, between the limits aforesaid, be properly graded, and graveled to the depth of six inches; and that the expense of grading and graveling such street and side walks as aforesaid, (except so much thereof as is occupied by the crossings of streets and alleys) be assessed against and collected from the owners of the lots bordering on said street, between the limits aforesaid, according to the provisions of sections 66 to 69 inclusive of the city charter.

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Sect. 2. The Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes, and also advertise by publication for ten days in the Indianapolis Daily Journal, and by posting up printed notices in not less than five of the most public places in the city, that sealed proposals will be received by the Common Council at their next regular meeting for the execution of said work.

Sect 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

The ordinance was read the first and second times, when the rules were suspended by the following vote.

Ayes - Messrs. Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North Porter and Vandegrift - 12

Noes - Mr. Cottrell.

The ordinance was then read the third time, and ordained by the following vote

Ayes - Messrs. Cottrell, Dunlap, Durham, English Fletcher, Greenfield, Geisendorff, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift - 13

Noes - None

On Motion of Mr. Locke,

The following ordinance was taken from the table,

and read the third time.

An ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of the north west diagonal, and a part of the side walks thereof, between the canal and the corporation line.

Sect. 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, That the whole width of the north west diagonal from the canal to the corporation line, be properly graded, and that twenty feet in width of the centre of said street, be graveled with coarse pit gravel to the depth of twelve inches in the centre, and sloping to the depth of eight inches at either edge; and that the sidewalks of said street between the points aforesaid, (except so much of said sidewalk as has been improved and laying upon the south side of said street, between the east side of west street and the corporation line,) be properly graded, and graveled to the

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depth of six inches; and that the expense of the grading and graveling such street and sidewalks as aforesaid, (except so much thereof as is occupied by the crossings of streets and alleys) be assessed against and collected from the owners of the lots bordering on said street between the limits aforesaid, according to the provisions of sections 66 to 69 inclusive of the city charter.

Sect. 2. The Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes, and also to advertise by publication for ten days in the Indianapolis Daily Journal and Free Press, and by posting up printed notice in not less than ten of the most public places in the city, and also along the line of said street, that sealed proposals will be received by the Common Council at their second regular meeting in May, for the execution of the said work, to be completed by the first day of September next.

Sect. 3. This ordinance shall be established and take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

The ordinance was then adopted by the following vote.

Ayes - Messrs. Dunlap, Durham, English, Fletcher
Greenfield, Geisendorff, Locke, McNabb, North and Vandegrift -

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Noes - Messrs. Cottrell, Hadley and Porter - 3

Mr. English presented "an ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of Washington street and sidewalks between Alabama and New Jersey streets."

Which was read the first time, and on Motion by Mr. Dunlap Laid on the table.

On Motion by Mr. McNabb,

The reward offered for the detection of persons injuring the school houses, was given to William Bretny and Harvey Maguire.

Mr. Durham moved, That Sibert have permission to use a part of the wall of No. 2 engine house, provided that said wall may be built upon, changed, or moved at the pleasure of the council.

Which motion prevailed.

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Mr. Mapes, Deputy Marshal, presented a communication asking council to make an allowance to him in city orders, sufficient to make his salary equal to cash.

On Motion by Mr. English, Laid on the table.

The following accounts were allowed.

493. J. Botticher	printing &c.	16.25
1466. James Smith	400 feet of hose &c.	444.00
711. Williamson & Haugh	latches for circle gates	6.00
610. J. Londen	Coal	18.00
494. T. V. Hyde	Making fastenings for circle gates	10.75
620. Denopass A. Palmer	Tally paper	5.50
514. R. A. Looker	paving gutters &c	57.75
526. Stewart & Bowen	Books & Stationery	8.88
595. Stephen Smith	posting bills	4.75
597. Hart, Mepother & Co	50 Maps	250.00

On Motion

Council adjourned

Attest

Geo. H. West
City Clerk

Wm J. Wallace
Mayor
