

Common Council Chamber
Indianapolis, Indiana, June 8th

Council met. Present: Messrs. Bradshaw, Edwards, Carlisle, Dunlap, Karns, McCarty, Nelson, Newcomb, Pitts, Strickland, and Wingate, & Mr. Scudder, Mayor.

The President announced the object of the meeting to be to take into consideration the petition of Evansville, Indianapolis, & Cleveland Straight Line Railroad Company."

On Motion the consideration of the subject was postponed for a few minutes for the purpose of presenting other business.

Mr. Dunlap offered for adoption the following:

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to measure the bridge timbers, planks, etc. of a bridge recently erected over Alabama Street by McCord & Comegys, and report said measurement to the Council at next meeting.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes:- Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, McCarty, Nelson, Newcomb, & Wingate - 6

Noes. Messrs. Carlisle, Edwards, Karns, Pitts, & Strickland - 5.

Mr. Karns from the Committee on Bridges made the following report:

"The undersigned, committee on bridges, respectfully report that they have examined the plan and specifications of a bridge now on file in the office of City Clerk, and find the same to be, in their opinion, unsuited for Indiana Avenue, and would, therefore, offer for adoption the following resolutions:

D. Carlisle)	
W.H. Karns)	Com.
E.H. Wingate)	

Resolved, That the resolution heretofore passed by the Common Council adopting the plan and specifications of a bridge known as Haskell's be rescinded.

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer furnish a suitable plan & specifications of a bridge to be erected over canal at Indiana Avenue."

The report was received, and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Bradshaw, Carlisle, Dunlap, Karns, McCarty, & Wingate. - 6

Noes: Messrs. Edwards, Nelson, Newcomb, Pitts, & Strickland - 5

Mr. Pitts from a committee on cisterns made the report:

"The undersigned committee on cisterns respectfully report that they have examined the account of O. Rice for pumps furnished and find his account to be Sixty dollars and five cents, & recommend the he be allowed Thirty dollars & five cents, which with a former allowance of Thirty dollars will satisfy said demand.

George W. Pitts.)
Wm A. Bradshaw) Com.
George Pitts.)

Allowed, O. Rice Bal for pump acct. \$30.05
(1122)

On Motion by Mr Dunlap,

The petition of the Evansville, Indianapolis, & Cleveland Straight Line Railroad was taken from the table, read, and

On Motion by Mr. Newcomb,

The following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the petition of the Evansville, Indianapolis & Cleveland Straight Line Railroad Company be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report an ordinance in accordance with the prayer of the petition of said company, incorporating therein such provisions for the protection of the interests of the city and its inhabitants, as to them shall seem just and proper, and report the same to the Council at next meeting."

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Messrs. Bradshaw, Carlisle, Dunlap, Edwards, Karns, McCarty, Nelson, Newcomb, Pitts, Strickland, & Wingate - 11.

Mr. Carlisle offered the following resolution:

Whereas, There are sundry lots near the center of the city, which are used as public commons, in consequence of remaining unfenced, and therefore become a source of annoyance and probably productive of disease; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City Attorney be required to inquire into the legality of requiring the owners of all vacant lots between East & West Streets, and between Maryland & New York Streets to have the same enclosed with suitable fences."

Which failed by the following vote:

Those who voted in the affirmative was: Messrs. Carlisle 1

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, Edwards, Karns, McCarty, Nelson, Newcomb, Pitts, Strickland, and Wingate - 10.

The following petition was received:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned, owners of lots fronting on Washington Street, North side, in square No 56, between Pennsylvania and Meridian Streets would respectfully ask your Honorable Body to procure a suitable number of posts and lamps not less than three - to light said front with gas between the points aforesaid and that an order be passed to assess the cost of said posts and lamps, and the expense of furnishing the same with gas, from month to month, as also, for repairing, lighting, and extinguishing the same, upon the lots fronting as aforesaid, as provided in an ordinance on that subject, and as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

June 4th, 1853. Signed by L.A. Fletcher, 28 ft. A. Knodle 12 ft. Chas Garner 17 feet Daniel Yandes 28½ feet, Wm Hannaman 20 feet, Hannaman & Paxton 25 feet, I.N. Phipps 20 feet, S .G. Patterson 8½ W.H. Morrison about 32 feet, W.H. Talbott about 32 feet. -

On Motion,

The petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report on ordinance in accordance with the prayer of the petitioners, and report the same to the Council at the next meeting.

On Motion

The Council adjourned.

Caleb Scudder Mayor

Attest:

Daniel B. Culley
City Clerk