

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
MONDAY, MARCH 14TH, 1864, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, John Caven, in the chair;
and the following members:

Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher,
Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11.

Absent—Councilmen Blake, Colley, Coburn, H. A. Fletcher,
Staub and Thompson—6.

The minutes of the regular session, held March 7th, 1864, and
of the adjourned session, held March 8th, 1864, were read and
approved.

By His Honor the Mayor—Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 14th, 1864.

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

We, the undersigned members of the Police Force of the City
of Indianapolis, respectfully petition your honorable body for an
increase of pay, from \$1 75 per day to \$2 50 per day.

G. W. SMOCK,
W. W. LOUCKS,
GEORGE THOMAS,
WILLIAM WILLIAMS,
W. S. JOHNSON,
JAMES STEWART,
SAMUEL BUSER,
WILLIAM COVERT,

JONATHAN GRAY,
D. I. THOMPSON,
THOMAS S. WILSON,
WILLIAM BRETNEY,
J. P. DUVALL,
ROBERT REDMOND,
ROBERT B. BARBEE,
JACOB B. POWER,

HENRY PAUL,
STEPHEN WILSON,
H. S. ADAMS,
ANDREW UNVERSAW,
JEPHHA W. BRADLEY,
A. E. CATTERSON,

J. R. COTTON,
W. F. BRUNNEMER,
M. W. E. DORAN,
FRANK FORD,
D. B. HAY,
JOHN S. BRAY.

Which, on motion of Mr. S. A. Fletcher, Jr., was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Emerson presented a communication from the property owners on Washington street and the National Road, between Missouri and Blake streets, remonstrating against the improvement of said street, and asking the Council to repeal the ordinance providing for the said improvement.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report an ordinance repealing the ordinance to grade and gravel Washington street and the National Road, between Missouri and Blake streets,

Dr. P. H. Jameson, Chairman Committee on Revision of Ordinances, reported back the ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE establishing a Board of Public Improvements for the City of Indianapolis, defining its Powers and Duties, and regulating the construction of Buildings within the City Limits.

Which, on motion of Mr. Brown, was read the second time and laid upon the table.

On motion of Dr. P. H. Jameson, Chairman Committee on Revision of Ordinances, the ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE regulating the Lighting of the City.

Was taken from the table and read a second and third time and put upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—10. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

Dr. P. H. Jameson, Chairman Committee on Revision of Ordinances, reported back the ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE prohibiting Dairies, and regulating the keeping and feeding of Cows, Cattle, and Hogs, within the City Limits.

Which was read the second time, and, on motion, was read a third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted

in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—9. Councilman Allen voting in the negative—1.

So the ordinance passed.

Dr. P. H. Jameson, Chairman Committee on Revision of Ordinances, reported back the ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to prohibit the exhibition of Animals, Deformed Persons or Monstrosities within buildings, or on grounds fronting on certain streets; and, also, to prohibit certain exhibitions, in any room or building wherein intoxicating liquors are sold.

Which was read the second time, and, on motion, was read a third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—10. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

Dr. P. H. Jameson, Chairman Committee on Revision of Ordinances, reported and ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance further defining the duties of the City Assessor, and increasing his salary, and repealing an ordinance."

Which was read the first time, and on motion, was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Jameson, then moved that the rules be suspended, and the ordinance read the third time now.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—10. Noes, none.

So the rules were suspended and the ordinance read a third time.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—10. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

From the City Clerk—Report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 7th, 1864.

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

Gentlemen—The Clerk would respectfully report that affidavits

have been filed with him for the collection of street assessment by precept as follows :

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| H. Timmerman vs. A. P. Williams, amounting to..... | \$22 00 |
| M. Shea, for Cox, Lord & Peck vs. S. Hetselgesser, amounting to..... | 9 37½ |
| M. Shea, for Cox, Lord & Peck vs. Mary Coffin, amounting to..... | 9 67 |
| M. Shea, for Cox, Lord & Peck vs. Almed Bell, amounting to..... | 5 62½ |
| C. W. Catterson vs. Elizabeth Williams..... | 29 94 |

I would respectfully ask that your honorable body order precepts on the above affidavits.

Respectfully,

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*

Which, on motion, was accepted, and the City Clerk directed to issue the precepts.

Mr. Brown introduced an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 23 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance regulating and protecting Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks, Gutters, Shade Trees, &c.," passed December 28, 1863.

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Brown then moved that the rules be suspended, and the ordinance read a third time now.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11. Noes, none.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance read a third time.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown, introduced an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE supplementary to an ordinance entitled : "An ordinance regulating and protecting Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks, Gutters, Shade Trees, &c." passed December 28th, 1863.

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Brown then moved that the rules be suspended, and the ordinance read a third time now.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11. Noes, none.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance read a third time.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

By Mr. Brown—Motion :

That the City Clerk issue an order in favor of the Street Commissioner for two hundred dollars, to be expended by him in cleaning the streets of the City.

Which motion was adopted.

By Mr. S. A. Fletcher, Jr.—Motion :

That the Committee on Revision of Ordinances be instructed to report an ordinance permitting the continuance of hitching-posts, with bars or chains, along Washington street.

The ayes and noes being called for, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Lefever and McNabb—8.

Those who voted in the negative, were Councilmen Brown, Cook and Jameson—3.

So the motion was adopted.

By Dr. Jameson :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient for the City Council to order improvements, or the building of bridges, or any other improvement to be paid for, in whole or part, by the city during the present year, except when the same shall be necessary to prevent the destruction of property belonging to the city.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

His Honor the Mayor presented the following resolutions, and asked their passage :

1. *Resolved*, That the sum of Five Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-five Dollars, or so much thereof as may be required, is hereby appropriated for the maintenance, protection and support of

the families of veteran volunteers of the 17th Indiana Regiment, and those depending on them for support.

2. That whenever proof is produced to the Mayor to his satisfaction, that any volunteer, or any number of volunteers not exceeding two hundred and four, belonging to said Regiment, and being veterans re-enlisted prior to this date, and duly credited to the City of Indianapolis, the said Mayor shall certify the same to the Clerk, who shall issue and deliver to the Mayor a warrant or warrants on the Treasury, in such sum or sums as the Mayor may designate, not exceeding the sum of \$26 25 to each volunteer; and it shall be the duty of the Mayor to pay over to each of such volunteers such sum as may be realized in cash on said warrant, taking the proper receipt therefor.

3. *Resolved further*, That the Council hereby pledges its faith to such as may become holders of said warrants, that at the same time at which the Council will proceed to fix the amount and rate of tax to be levied for general purposes within the City of Indianapolis, they will further cause to be levied and assessed, and cause to be collected a special *ad valorem* tax of not less than one-tenth of one per centum on all property subject to state and county taxation within said City, and that said special tax, when collected, shall be appropriated exclusively to the redemption of such warrants, and the interest thereon, and to no other purpose, until all of said warrants and interest are so redeemed.

4. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Finance are hereby instructed to prepare and report an ordinance such as may be necessary to carry out the purposes contemplated by the above resolutions.

The question being on the passage of the resolutions, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey and Jameson—9.

Those who voted in the negative, were Councilmen Lefever and McNabb—2.

So the resolutions passed.

By Dr. Jameson:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of issuing and selling bonds for the liquidation of the floating debt of the City.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Boaz, Cook, Emerson, S. A. Fletcher, Jr., Glazier, Haughey, Jameson, Lefever and McNabb—11. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. S. A. Fletcher, Jr.—Motion :

That the Mayor be instructed to confer with the County Commissioners in regard to the propriety of changing the Township lines, so that the boundary lines of Centre Township would be the same as the Corporation line of the City.

Which motion was adopted.

On motion the Council adjourned.

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor*

Attest:

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*