

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

MONDAY, December 16, 1907.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, December 16, 1907, at 7:30 o'clock, in regular session, President Frederick W. Eppert in the chair.

Present: The Hon. Frederick W. Eppert, President of the Common Council, and 18 members, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey, Hamlet, Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Uhl, Stickelman, Hartmann, Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilkenne, Wright and Henry.

Absent, 2, viz.: Messrs. Davis and Portteus.

Mr. Wood moved that the reading of the Journal be dispensed with.

Mr. Royse called for the ayes and noes.

The roll was called and the reading of the Journal was dispensed with by the following vote:

Ayes, 16, viz.: Messrs. Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Uhl, Stickelman, Hartmann, Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilkenne, Wright, Henry, and President Frederick W. Eppert.

Noes, 3, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey and Hamlet.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 5, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I return herewith with my approval General Ordinance No. 95, 1907, being "An ordinance authorizing and empowering the Board of Public Works of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, to improve Seventeenth Street from west property line of first alley east of Talbott Avenue to west property line of Central avenue, excepting the crossings of Delaware, Alabama and New Jersey streets with asphalt roadway."

General Ordinance No. 104, 1907, being "An ordinance authorizing and empowering the Board of Public Works of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, to improve Maryland Street from west property line of West Street to east property line of Blackford Street, with brick roadway and curbing."

I have the honor to remain,

Yours very truly,

C. A. BOOKWALTER,
Mayor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 7, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I return herewith with my approval the following resolutions:

Resolution No. 20, 1907.

Resolution No. 21, 1907.

I have the honor to remain,

Yours very truly,

C. A. BOOKWALTER,
Mayor.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

From City Controller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY CONTROLLER,
Indianapolis, Dec. 16, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit for your approval the official bond of Edward J. Robison, treasurer-elect of Marion County, and *ex-officio* City Treasurer of the City of Indianapolis, the penalty of the bond being in the sum of \$300,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. T. BREUNIG,
City Controller.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Edward J. Robison, as principal, and

HIRAM W. MILLER,
LEVI P. HARLAN,
JAMES R. HENRY,
WILLIAM S. LOCKMAN,
EDWARD G. HERETH,
GRANVILLE S. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL W. SMITH,
PEARSON MENDENHALL,
AUG. M. KUHN,
J. E. CHRISTIAN,

as his sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Indiana, and for the benefit of the City of Indianapolis and all persons concerned or aggrieved, in the penal sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, without relief from valuation or appraisement laws, we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 16th day of December, 1907.

The condition of the above obligation is as follows, viz.:

Whereas, the above-named and bounden Edward J. Robison has been duly elected and commissioned County Treasurer in and for Marion County in the State of Indiana, aforesaid, for the term of two years from the first day of January, A. D., 1908, and by virtue of such election and the laws of the State of Indiana, said Robison is *ex-officio* treasurer of said city of Indianapolis;

Now, if the said Edward J. Robison shall honestly and faithfully perform and discharge the duties of his office, so far as they may relate to or affect said city, and safely keep and properly account for and pay over on demand to the persons entitled or authorized to receive the same, all moneys and property that may come into his hands as such treasurer of said city during his continuance in office; and further, that the Legislature may change, modify, or repeal any law now in force and enact any and all laws during the existence of the above obligation at the pleasure of said Legislature, without in any way or manner releasing the said officer of his said sureties on said bond; then, and in that case, the above obligation shall cease and be null and void; otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue in law.

EDWARD J. ROBISON	(Seal)
HIRAM W. MILLER	(Seal)
LEVI P. HARLAN	(Seal)
JAMES R. HENRY	(Seal)
WILLIAM S. LOCKMAN	(Seal)
EDWARD G. HERETH	(Seal)
GRANVILLE S. WRIGHT	(Seal)
SAMUEL W. SMITH	(Seal)
PEARSON MENDENHALL	(Seal)
AUG. M. KUHN	(Seal)
J. E. CHRISTIAN	(Seal)

State of Indiana,
Marion County.

ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the foregoing named Edward J. Robison and

HIRAM W. MILLER,
LEVI P. HARLAN,
JAMES R. HENRY,
WILLIAM S. LOCKMAN,
EDWARD G. HERETH,
GRANVILLE S. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL W. SMITH,
PEARSON MENDENHALL,
AUG. M. KUHN,
J. E. CHRISTIAN,

who jointly and severally acknowledge the execution of the foregoing bond to be their voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this 16th day of December, 1907.

ROBERT S. McMEANS,
Notary Public.

(Seal)

My commission expires April 25, 1911.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY CONTROLLER,
Indianapolis, Dec. 16, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I herewith present two communications from the superintendent of the City Hospital. The one requesting that the salary or compensation of the custodian of the so called "annex" be increased to \$30.00 per month from \$10.00 per month, as now paid; and the other requesting that the salary of the head laundryman be increased from \$35.00 per month to \$50.00 per month.

The Finance Committee of your honorable body now having an ordinance before it, providing for readjustment of salaries for the City Hospital, and believing that the City Hospital authorities should be given all reasonable assistance to properly carry out the purposes for which such hospital is conducted, I respectfully recommend the reference of the subject matter contained in these two communications to said Finance Committee for their consideration, with my approval of such requests.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. T. BREUNIG,
City Controller.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 10, 1907.

Geo. T. Breunig, City Controller, City:

I am directed by the Board of Health to call your attention to the condition and management of the so called "Annex", for contagious diseases. This comprises a cottage of seven rooms, which has been

looked after by a custodian, at the munificent salary of ten dollars (\$10) a month; the custodian is an unfortunate paralytic colored man; even though he were tideness itself, his paralytic condition makes it utterly impossible for him to keep this in order, and even to look after his own personal appearance is an effort. The Annex and its keeping is a perpetual joke; it is not fit under the present conditions, for the abiding place of a cleanly man, much less persons who are ill. Last month a traveling man was taken from one of the hotels with the suspicion of diphtheria; I apologized to the man for being compelled to place him in our Annex, and assured him I would remove him from there as soon as it was clearly shown that he was not suffering with contagious disease. This man was from Chicago, and you can imagine what he thought of the provision made by the City of Indianapolis to care for such cases, and I don't believe the authorities could force those suffering of contagious diseases to occupy this building under the present conditions. I have recommended to the Board of Health, that the custodian's salary of the Annex be thirty dollars (\$30) per month, with the object in view of employing a woman to take charge of the same, and I shall then endeavor to put this place in the condition that at least one could not recover damages for having been an inmate of the same.

Owing to the shortness of time the Board of Health directed that I should take this up with you personally, that you might recommend to the Common Council at their meeting Monday night, next, such a change in the Custodian's salary.

Respectfully,

J. L. FREELAND,
Supeintendent.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 12, 1907.

Geo. T. Breunig, City Controller, City:

Dear Sir—The average wages of the head laundryman, in the leading hospitals, in the United States and Canada, is \$44.18 per month, and quarters.

I herewith enclose you letters from laundrymen of our city. We need more efficient service, and cannot secure it at the present salary. Would you kindly recommend to the Council, that laundryman receive \$50.00 per month.

Respectfully,

J. L. FREELAND,
Superintendent.

At 8:05 o'clock p. m., Mr. Portteus entered the Council Chamber and took his seat.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—Your Finance Committee to which was referred Resolution No. 19, 1907, providing for compensation to the City Clerk for

preparing an index to the proceedings of the Common Council for the year 1907, begs leave to report that it has had the same under consideration and recommends that said resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. ROYSE
W. A. RHODES.
ALBERT E. COTTEY
JAS. F. SULLIVAN.
JACOB H. HILKENE.
J. H. HAMLET.
W. O. BANGS

Mr. Royse moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

Mr. Royse moved that Resolution No. 19, 1907, be adopted.

The roll was called and Resolution No. 19, 1907, was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 20, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey, Hamlet, Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Uhl, Stickelman, Hartmann, Portteus, Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilkene, Wright, Henry and President Frederick W. Eppert.

Noes, none.

From Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—Your Finance Committee to which was referred General Ordinance No. 114, 1907, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the transfer of the sum of \$2,000.00 to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect," begs leave to report that it has had said ordinance under consideration and recommends that said ordinance do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. ROYSE
W. A. RHODES.
ALBERT E. COTTEY
JAS. F. SULLIVAN.
JACOB H. HILKENE
J. H. HAMLET
W. O. BANGS

Mr. Royse moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

From Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—Your Finance Committee to which was referred General Ordinance No. 100, 1907, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the transfer of certain funds heretofore appropriated to the Department of Public Works," begs leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and recommend the following substitute in lieu of said General Ordinance No. 100, to-wit:

"An ordinance providing for the transfer of certain funds from certain funds to certain funds, to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, 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 sum of eleven thousand (\$11,000.00) dollars be, and the said sum hereby is transferred from the funds heretofore appropriated to and for the use of the Department of Public Works for repairs to permanently improved streets; that the sum of thirty-five thousand (\$35,000.00) dollars (being the unexpended balance of the sum of \$150,000.00, heretofore transferred out of the unexpended balance of the moneys heretofore appropriated under and by Appropriation Ordinance No. 21, 1906, and by Appropriation Ordinance No. 3, 1907), be and the said sum of thirty-five thousand (\$35,000.00) dollars hereby is transferred from said sum heretofore transferred for the purpose of acquiring, by purchase or condemnation, or both, real estate suitable for the erection of a city hall building for the public uses of said city, said transfer being made under and by virtue of General Ordinance No. 92, 1907; that the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) be and the said sum hereby is transferred from the unexpended balance of moneys heretofore appropriated under and by virtue of Appropriation Ordinance No. 21, 1906, and Appropriation Ordinance No. 3, 1907, appropriated to the Board of Public Works, for the construction of a city hall building, containing offices for the several departments of the city government and an auditorium suitable for public meetings of the citizens of the city of Indianapolis, etc.; that all of said sums, heretofore above mentioned be, and the same hereby are transferred to and for the use of the Department of Public Works to be expended for the purposes hereinafter set forth, and not otherwise.

Section 2. The various sums and amounts herein transferred to and for the use of the Department of Public Works shall be expended by said Department of Public Works as follows, to-wit:

For new building and equipment for a laundry at the City Hospital, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.....	\$15,000 00
For furnishing the new service building at the City Hospital the sum of ten thousand dollars.....	10,000 00
For a heating system in the old building at the City Hospital the sum of eight thousand dollars.....	8,000.00
For a heating system and for plumbing in the new service building at the City Hospital the sum of five thousand seven hundred dollars.....	5,700 00
For remodelling the interior of the old building at the City Hospital the sum of six thousand dollars.....	6,000 00
For installing a new elevator at the City Hospital the sum of	

two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
For installing an ice machine, or refrigerating plant at the City Hospital the sum of two thousand eight hundred dollars ..	2,800 00
For sewer and sewer connections at the City Hospital the sum of one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
For plumbing in the new boiler house, the purchase of coal cars and incidentals, the sum of five hundred dollars...	500 00

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

Your Finance Committee begs leave to recommend that said substitute ordinance be passed, in lieu of said General Ordinance No. 100.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. ROYSE
W. A. RHODES.
ALBERT E. COTTEY,
JAS. F. SULLIVAN
JACOB H. HILKENE,
J. H. HAMLET
W. O. BANGS.

Mr. Royse moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

From Committee on Public Property and Improvements:

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 4, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Public Property and Improvements to which was referred General Ordinance No. 113, 1907, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing and empowering the Board of Public Works of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, to improve Tenth street from WPL West street, to NEPL Indiana avenue, with brick roadway and curbing."

Begs leave to report that it has had the same under consideration and recommends that the same do pass.

B. A. BROWN.
HARRY E. ROYSE
J. L. DONAVON.

Mr. Brown moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

From Committee on Public Property and Improvements:

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 4, 1907.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Public Property and Improvements to which was referred General Ordinance No. 112, 1907, entitled,

"An ordinance authorizing the Board of Public Works of the City

of Indianapolis, Indiana, to improve Arsenal avenue, from NPL Roosevelt avenue to SPL Nineteenth street, with brick roadway and curbing." Begs leave to report that it has had the same under consideration and recommends that the same do pass.

B. A. BROWN.
HARRY E. ROYSE
J. L. DONAVON.

Mr. Brown moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

By Mr. Uhl:

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 115, 1907.

An ordinance repealing "An ordinance providing for the appointment of an Inspector of Cellars, defining his duties and powers, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect." designated as General Ordinance No. 91, 1907; approved October 23d, 1907, 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 General Ordinance No. 91, 1907, of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, entitled "An ordinance providing for the appointment of an Inspector of Cellars, defining his duties and powers, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect," approved October 23d, 1907, be and the same is hereby repealed.

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

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Royse:

RESOLUTION NO. 22, 1907.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16, 1907.

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis that the bond of Edward J. Robison, treasurer-elect of the city of Indianapolis in the penal sum of Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.00) dollars with sureties as follows, to-wit: Hiram W. Miller, Levi P. Harlan, James R. Henry, William S. Lockman, Edward G. Hereth, Granville S. Wright, Samuel W. Smith, Pearson Mendenhall, August M. Kuhn and J. E. Christian, conditioned for the faithful per-

formance of his duties as said treasurer of said city of Indianapolis, be and the same is hereby, in all respects approved.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Royse called for General Ordinance No. 100, 1907, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Royse moved that General Ordinance No. 100, 1907, be amended as recommended by the committee. Carried.

Mr. Royse moved that General Ordinance No. 100, 1907, be ordered engrossed as amended, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 100, 1907, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 20, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey, Hamlet, Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Uhl, Stickelman, Hartmann, Portteus, Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilke, Wright, Henry and President Frederick W. Eppert.

Noes, none.

Mr. Royse called for General Ordinance No. 114, 1907, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Royse moved that General Ordinance No. 114, 1907, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 114, 1907, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 20, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey, Hamlet, Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Uhl, Stickelman, Hartmann, Portteus, Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilke, Wright, Henry and President Frederick W. Eppert.

Noes, none.

Mr. Bangs called for General Ordinance No. 113, 1907, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Bangs moved that General Ordinance No. 113, 1907, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 113, 1907, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey, Hamlet, Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Stickelman, Hartmann, Portteus Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilkene, Wright and Henry.

Noes, 2, viz.: Messrs. Uhl and President Frederick W. Eppert.

Mr. Brown called for General Ordinance No. 112, 1907, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Brown moved that General Ordinance No. 112, 1907, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 112, 1907, was read a third time and failed to pass by the following note:

Ayes, 20, viz.: Messrs. Brown, Cottey, Hamlet, Wood, Neukom, Smither, Rhodes, Bangs, Uhl, Stickelman, Hartmann, Portteus, Royse, Donavon, Sullivan, Hofmann, Hilkene, Wright, Henry and President Frederick W. Eppert.

Noes, none.

On motion of Mr. Bangs, the Common Council, at 8:35 o'clock p. m., adjourned.

Frederick W. Eppert

.....
President.

ATTEST:

James M. Mully
.....
City Clerk.