

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—FEBRUARY 9, 1885.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, February 9th, A. D. 1885, at seven o'clock, in regular session. •

PRESENT—Hon. Henry J. Prier, President *pro tem.* of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Pritchard, and Tallentire—7.

ABSENT, 3—viz. President Rorison, and Aldermen Cobb, and Cox.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session, held January 26th, 1885, having been printed and placed on the desks of the the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its regular session held February 2d, 1885.

For the Common Council:

Geo. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds (see page 60, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon was concurred in.

The following report was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 61, *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—On December 15th, 1884, and January 12th, 1885, you directed us to procure plans for an Engine House, to be built upon the city's Prospect street lot. We desire to report that we have had prepared the plans and specifications complete, ready to receive bids upon, and the same are herewith submitted for your approval. We desire to report further, that the cost of preparing the plans, has been seventy-five dollars (\$75.00), which we have endorsed, and recommend the same be inserted in the appropriation ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

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The following report from the City Clerk (see page 63, *ante*), was read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Ordinances:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following entitled affidavit now on file in my office for the collection of street improvement assessment, by precept, to wit:

David A. Haywood vs. John Wands, for..... \$13 20
Respectfully submitted, GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The report from the City Attorney, showing the condition of sundry cases (see pages 63 and 64, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council therein, was concurred in.

The report from the Chief Fire Engineer, giving the names of the members of the Fire Department (see pages 64 and 65, *ante*), was read, and the appointments confirmed.

The following report from the Board of Public Improvements was read and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 66 *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Board of Public Improvements to whom was referred the motion directing the Street Commissioner to proceed to open Shelby street to uniform width of sixty feet, in accordance with the proceedings of the City Commissioners, recommend that the same be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,
Isaac Thalman,
Board of Public Improvements.

The following was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 67, *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—On November 24, 1884, the contract for grading and bouldering the first alley west of Illinois street, between Maryland and Georgia streets; also for paving with brick the east sidewalk of Madison avenue, between Nebraska street and Lincoln Lane, were awarded to me. The time given to complete said contracts was January 1, 1885. It has not been possible for me to do the work this winter. On December 15 I asked an extension of 120 days time, and only 30 days was granted. I would most respectfully ask that the time be extended until May 31, 1885.

D. A. HAYWOOD.

STATE OF INDIANA, County of Marion, ss:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said county, came David A. Haywood and swore the matters above set forth are true.

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

Recommend the time be extended.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,
Isaac Thalman,
Board of Public Improvements.

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The report of the Board of Public Improvements for January, 1885 (see pages 66 and 67, *ante*), was read and received.

The following report from the Committee on Contracts (see pages 59 and 60, *ante*), was read; and on motion by Alderman Bernhamer, was referred to the Committee on Fire Department, together with the original bids:

to the Mayor, Common Council, and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Contracts and Chief Fire Engineer, to whom was referred the proposals for veterinary services (attendance and medicines) for the department horses for the year 1885, have examined the same and find them to be as follows:

John N. Navin.....	\$245 per annum.
Wm. H. Gribble.....	240 per annum.
John Elliott.....	180 per annum.
E. H. Pritchard.....	180 per annum.
L. A. Greiner, Sr.....	140 per annum.

We recommend that the above contract be awarded to John Elliott, we deeming him the best bidder.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
P. J. Doyle,
M. M. Reynolds,
Committee on Contracts.

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

The following clauses from the report of the Judiciary Committee were read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see pages 7 and 68, *ante*), was concurred in:

1. As to the claim of Charles G. Mueller, for services as Architect in preparing plans for Pest House, we recommend that \$15.00 be paid, provided he will accept the same in full of all demands.
3. The claim of Henry F. David, for refunding of \$1.62, on account of double payment of taxes on the same property, is correct, and should be paid.

The following clause from the report of the Judiciary Committee was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 8, *ante*), was concurred in :

1. As to the petition of Merrick E. Vinton, to have a \$100.00 assessment against lot six, in Davidson's addition, for the opening of Hanna street satisfied of record. The statements made in Mr. Vinton's petition, found at page 49 of the Proceedings, are all true. It is therefore useless to attempt to enforce the claim; and as a refusal to cancel the apparent lien will involve the city in costs, we recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted.

The following estimate from the Committee on Printing (see page 69, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon was concurred in :

Indianapolis, Jan. 30, 1885.

H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

Dear Sir.—We submit herewith approximate estimate of cost of printing five hundred copies Report:

13 pages Small Pica, plain.....	\$ 8 19
25 pages Brevier, plain.....	27 00
5 pages Brevier, rule and figure.....	18 00
18 pages Nonpariel, rule and figure.....	127 00
Paper, press work and binding.....	9 85

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Respectfully,

HASSELMAN-JOURNAL Co.

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The report of the Committee on Streets and Alleys (see page 70, *ante*), and the following resolution, accompanying the same, was read;

Resolved, That the petition of August Richter, Ambrose Rodgers, W. H. Carle and Fred. Burgman, praying for the laying out and opening and vacating the following alleys, viz: Opening and extending the first alley west of Shelby street, from its present northern terminus, through Lot 1, Dougherty's subdivision of Outlot 99, to Coburn street, and vacate the present first alley west of Shelby street through said lot, as shown on plat filed with said petition, be referred to the Commissioners, with instructions to assess benefits and damages, and to make due report; and that for the purposes of such opening and vacation, the Common Council and Board of Aldermen do propose to appropriate such real estate and property as may be necessary therefor. The said Commissioners are instructed to return, as part of their report, all petitions and notices. The City Clerk is hereby directed to issue, and the proper parties to serve, the proper notices upon the Commissioners and property owners.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

The report of the Select Committee to investigate certain matters as to the affairs of the City Hospital (see pages 71 and 72, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

The following motion (see page 74, *ante*), was read and referred to the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities:

That Street Commissioner notify J., M. & I. R'y Co. to place sidewalk on north side of South street (where it crosses their tracks) in good condition by planking the walk.

The following motions (see pages 74, 75 and 78, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to repair fountain at corner Meridian and South streets.

That when pay patients are admitted to the hospital the Superintendent be and is relieved of any professional responsibility for such cases.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put in foot bridges at crossings on Indian avenue, between North street and Fall Creek, at once.

That Mr. Collier, owner of lots 210 and 212 on Maryland street, between Missouri and West streets, be permitted to lay a bouldered driveway across the sidewalk of said lots, said work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the rules.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 6, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$1,810.45.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 7, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,643.71.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 8, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$17,214.31.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 9, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$395.34.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, through Alderman Tallentire, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, the contracts and bonds, and the agreement between the Engineers, (see pages 34, 36 and 37, *ante*), were read and approved:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts and Bridges, to whom was referred the proposals for constructing an Iron Bridge with stone abutments over Pogue's Run, on East street, report that we have examined the same, and also the report of the City Civil Engineer, in the construction of said bridge, and recommend the action of the Council be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

Jas A. Pritchard,
Thomas E. Endly,
James McHugh,
Committee on Contracts.

The Committee on Judiciary and Ordinances, through Alderman Pritchard, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and the ordinance ordered stricken from the files:

Mr. President and Board:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred G. O. 26, 1884, recommend it be stricken from the files.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Tallentire,
Will F. A. Bernhamer,
Judiciary Committee.

The Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, through Alderman Endly, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, to whom was referred S. O. 92, 1884, with remonstrance, "An ordinance providing for grading, bowldering, curbing and paving the south gutter and sidewalk of Ft. Wayne avenue, from New Jersey street to Central avenue," would recommend the passage of the ordinance.

2d. Is a motion granting Rouse Bros. the privilege to erect Scales in front of their place of business, No. 72 south Delaware street.

Recommend the same be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Endly,
Isaac King,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

•INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Endly offered the following motion; which was adopted:

4 That all requisitions made for supplies in all departments, be made on persons who have written contracts with the city, and have the same signed by appropriate Committees.

Alderman McHugh offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, instructed to repair the wash-out at the end of the bridge on Illinois street over Pogue's Run.

Alderman Pritchard offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Clerk place in the next appropriation ordinance, twenty dollars (\$20.00), in favor of King & Elder, for patient's table at the City Dispensary.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, and then read the third time:

S. O. 92, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of Fort Wayne avenue, and paving with brick the south sidewalk thereof, from New Jersey street to Central avenue.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

HENRY J. PRIER,

President *pro tem.*

Attest: FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.