

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

SPECIAL SESSION—FEBRUARY 24, 1886.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Wednesday evening, February 24th, A. D. 1886, at eight o'clock, in special session, pursuant to the following call:

Indianapolis, February 23, 1886.

To the Mayor of the City of Indianapolis:

You are hereby requested to call a special meeting of the Common Council for Wednesday evening, February 24th, 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, for the transaction of such business as may come before it.

Sim. Coy,
Charles E. Haugh,
Robert McClelland,

Thomas Markey,
Fred. J. Mack.

To the Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—You are hereby called to meet in special session, on Wednesday evening, February 24th, 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, in accordance with the written request this day presented to me by five members of the Common Council.

February 23, 1886.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

PRESENT—Hon. Caleb S. Denny, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 20 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Mack, Markey, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

ABSENT, 5—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Edenharter, Howes, McGroarty, and Rooker.

Councilman Burns presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

To the Honorable, the Common Council, and Board of Aldermen

of the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, and State of Indiana:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, citizen tax payers, and residents of the Fifteenth Ward of said city, west of White River, humbly represent to your honorable bodies that we are desirous of having the old Lafayette Road, running north from Bloomington street, in said city; up said River as far north to Vermont street, opened; believing that said improvement will be a great benefit and lasting improvement to the citizens of said Ward, and the public generally. The banks of said River being washed away, together with a large portion of said road within said limits, it is now difficult for a foot way person to pass securely at places within said limits. The rip-rap that your honorable body caused to be placed along the banks of said River being in some places nearly washed into the said River, or so much impaired that it has become useless, and of no utility whatever. The travel on the west side of said road is great, and persons coming to the city to do business on Washington street, north and south, have no thoroughfare to travel but over Michi-

gan street bridge. We therefore pray your honors to examine and adhere to the prayer of your petitioners; and in duty bound, we will ever pray, &c.

Jacob Huber, Edward Mueller, Wm. I. Ripley, M. E. Palmer, Zeph Hellingsworth, Nelson Phillip, E. C. Geisendorff & Co., Christian Schloer, Daniel G. Vollmer, Martin Wagner, Fred. Lichternauer, Henry Frech, Mike Horan, J. D. Baxter, John Peters, Albert Dillingham; F. B. Fowler, Andrew P. Bletzinger, Geo. Merritt & Co., M. L. Brown, N. McCarty, G. M. Curter, A. Bowens, S. A. Lee, J. L. Spaulding, Thos. Moore, Henry Wishmeyer, Alfred H. Traub, The Acme Milling Co., Peter Spitzfaden, Wilimane Pette, J. S. Neal, Haugh, Ketcham & Co. Iron Works, by J. L. Ketcham, Sec'y. and Trers'r.; E. Sherlock, John Whitehead, Chandler & Taylor, Helfrich & Danley, Wm. Archdeacon, F. M. Archdeacon, Wm. Braten, M. F. Shaw, L. M. Sullivan, M. Snavely, John A. Benson, H. W. Miller, George Hg, Charles E. Coffin, Citizen's Street Railway Co., by A. W. Johnson, President; L. A. Tousey, by J. M. Judah, Att'y.; Charles McIntyre, Mary A. Pence, Mrs. Olive Ematz, G. W. McCain.

To the Mayor and Common Council, City:

Gentlemen.—The street leading from Washington street to Michigan street, along the bank of the River, in Indianola, has been so far washed away by the River that it is impassable. This causes great injury and loss to the business of the West side, and to west Washington street, and to your petitioners. We would respectfully petition your honorable body to have said street opened at as early a day as possible.

Respectfully,

GEO. MERRITT & Co.

Councilman Markey presented the following petition; which was referred to the Special Committee on Fire Department:

To His Honor, the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen.—We, the undersigned, citizens of the City of Indianapolis, respectfully request your honorable bodies to station and locate a fire engine at Engine House No. 10, on Madison avenue. There are several large manufacturing establishments in this neighborhood, and there are very few water plugs. The necessity of having a fire engine is very apparent, and we trust that your honorable bodies will give the matter some attention.

P. Leiber & Co, John C. Fritz, John Thompson, Sam'l. Battler, Peter Zimmer, R. Krebs, G. Blum, Casper Hess, Henry Oberhill, Peter Rasmussen, Walter Dutton, Herman Feltmann, Katharine Dippel, William Boelott, Randolph Verdermark, William Whittaker, John Hamon, John Vanstan, Chr Baase, Ch. Steierberg, Braston Johns, William Goebel, Henry Landmeier, Herman Weghorst, P. C. Jargensen, John Eberhardt, Th. Sander, H. Laubert, Fred. Francke, F. Gintz, Adam Busch, Charles Ruche, Christ. Brunnhofer, M. Spenny, Leop. Spitznagel, Henry Kemfers, T. Wichtmaner, James Martin, Fred. Deitz, Indianapolis Box Factory; Heaman Tymutz, Henry Davis, Western Furniture Co., W. Kautsky, Indianapolis Hominy Mills, John Highstadt, C. B. Paul & Co., Wm. C. Rehling, John Brill, Robt. Kennington, Chas. R. Durbon, John Spering, Martha Morgan, Charles Haltmayer, Lena Regeamer, Ch. Schwomyer, John W. Barnett, Conrad Ben-

der, John Leddy, Josephine Flickmyer, Indianapolis Moulding & Picture Frame Co., Gustave Paetz, Chas. Surpper, Reinhart Milli, Mathias Mandernack, Mrs. Dulton, John Clich, Jos. Hunn, Peter Steeb, Dean Bros. Steam Pump Works, Henry Gladfelter, J. J. Hoover, Henry Sponsel, C. Schneider, John P. Michael, Mary Jane Morton, Henry Runge, P. Pfisterer, C. F. Schmidt, Ch. Hildebrand, Eli Lilly & Co., John Buehler, M. Hanson, Paul Schneider, W. Ross & Co., G. Hotz, August Jacobi, John O'Neill, Louis Meyers, Lambert Krumckolz, George Koeniger, Geo. Voegel, John German, Mibhael Murphy, Sr., Willheimine Scharron, Ed. Harman, Michael Cassin, William Delany, William Rowe, Ch. Grothaus, John B. Andrew, Mary Stien, Paul Oberfell, F. W. Winter, F. Kassebaum, John Dwyer, William Robinson, Fred. Hofher, John A. Steinmutz, George Wankel, Anton Hess.

Councilman Pearson, in behalf of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report; which was read and received:

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred G. O. No. 16 1885, have investigated the same, and recommend the ordinance be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Pearson,
C. E. Haugh,
Committee on Railroads.

Councilman Swain offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair with gravel the sidewalks on Bellefontaine street, above Ninth street, where the same are in bad conditton.

Councilman Swain offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with power to act, provided that the cost shall not exceed \$100.00:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to change the grade of Ninth and Ruckle streets, at and about their junction, so as to drain the same; said work to be done under the direction and supervision of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Property:

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for laying a brick pavement through Circle Park.

Councilman Waterman presented the following petition; which was read and received:

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, Isaac S. Reed, of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., would respectfully represent to the Common Council of said city, that he is of the age of sixty years; is in poor health, and unable to perform manual labor; that he is poor, and is desirous of engaging in a small business, and constructing a stand

for such purpose at the curve of the northeast corner of the Court House enclosure, in said city; that if suffered so to do, he will in no manner obstruct the walk or way. He shows that the Board of County Commissioners consent thereto, and he herewith presents such assent. For such purpose he asks that your body, by appropriate action, grant the request asked, under such limitations and restrictions as may be deemed proper.

ISAAC S. REED.

Councilman Waterman offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That until further notice, the foregoing request be allowed, so far as the city is concerned, to be used by said Isaac S. Reed free of charge.

The following entitled ordinance was introduced and read the first time:

By Councilman McClelland:

S. O. 28, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing with stone, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of St. Clair street, from Massachusetts avenue to the C., C., C. & I. Railroad track.

Councilman McClelland presented the following petition for the passage of the above ordinance (S. O. 28, 1886), which was filed with the ordinance:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on St. Clair street, between the Bee-Line Railroad and Massachusetts avenue, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for paving with brick and curbing the sidewalks, also bowldering the gutters of said street.

Catharine Enners, 85 feet; Henry Klanke, 55 feet; C. Aldrich, 40 feet; Charles Haug, 20 feet; D. Shearer, 32 feet; Henry Stumpf, 25 feet; Fred. Homuth, 160 feet; Henry Reinken, 70 feet; John Eusey, 60 feet; Susan M. Coyner, 48½ feet; John Frick, 217 feet; Geo. Sperr, 24½ feet.

Councilman Markey presented the following remonstrance; which was filed with the ordinance—S. O. 27, 1886:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the west side of East street, between Morris street and Lincoln Lane, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving with brick said west sidewalk, as contemplated in special ordinance introduced in Council February 15th, 1886.

Conrad Bender, D. Root, 80 feet; H. L. Vollroth, Geo. W. Halbleil, K. Lichtenaur, W. H. Guy, Jos. Feiler, F. Schilling, John Vandersaar, Fred. G. Pflueger, Wm. Thorne, Sera E. Hendricks, George Mansharth, A. S. Patterson, Joseph A. Denny, by A. F. Denny, 130 feet; H. W. Bennett, Austin H. Brown, Edmund F. Gall, Mrs. T. A. Hendricks, 2 lots; W. H. English, President First National Bank, for bank, 2 lots; R. Fahrback, T. C. Vinton, 2 lots.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

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

G. O. 16, 1885—An ordinance requiring the J, M. & I. Railroad Company to maintain a Flagman at the crossing of its tracks and Ray street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Markey, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

G. O. 3, 1886—An ordinance creating the office of Boiler Inspector, and providing for the election of such Inspector.

Councilman Thalman moved that the ordinance be referred to a Special Committee of three members and the City Attorney.

Which was adopted, and His Honor, the Mayor, appointed Councilmen Markey, McClelland and Rooker as the above provided-for Committee.

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

S. O. 119, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Bellefontaine avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Mack, Markey, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 18, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Tenth street and sidewalks, from Central avenue to Greenwood street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Coy, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Mack, Markey, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS, 2—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, and Smith.

The following message was read and received:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, February 22d, 1886, *non-concurred* in your action in accepting the proposition of the sureties on the official bond of Isaac N. Pattison, late City Treasurer, to pay and secure to the city the sum of sixty-eight thousand dollars (\$68,000) in full satisfaction of all claims against said Pattison and his bondsmen on said bond.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.

Councilman McClelland offered the following motion:

That we adhere to our former action, and a Conference Committee be appointed.

Councilman Reinecke moved to lay the motion on the table.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz. Councilmen Dell, Mack, Reinecke, Smith, and Stuckmeyer.

NAYS, 15—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Markey, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

And the original motion by Councilman McClelland was then adopted.

Councilman Coy moved that the Conference Committee consist of three members and the Mayor and City Attorney, with instructions to report next Monday evening.

Which was adopted, and His Honor, the Mayor, appointed Councilmen Waterman, Thalman and Stuckmeyer as said committee.

On motion the Common Council then adjourned.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor,

President of the Common Council.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

SPECIAL SESSION—FEBRUARY 24, 1886.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Wednesday evening, February 24th, A. D. 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, in special session, pursuant to the following call:

To the Members of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—You are hereby requested to meet in special session, in the Aldermanic Chamber, Wednesday evening, February 24th, 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, for the transaction of such business as may come before the Board.

Respectfully,

Feb. 23, 1886.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

PRESENT—Hon. Thomas E. Endly, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Brown, Prier, Pritchard, and Wright—5.

It appearing that there was not a quorum present, on motion by Alderman Pritchard, the absentees were sent for.

The Sergeant-at-Arms returned with the absentees sent for, viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Rail, and Schmidt.

Alderman Pritchard, in accordance with the notice filed at the last meeting of the Board, moved to reconsider the vote by which the Board non-concurred in the action of the Council in accepting the proposition of the bondsmen of ex-City Treasurer Pattison.

Alderman Brown moved that the Board invite His Honor, Mayor Denny, to address the Board upon the above question.

Alderman King moved to lay that motion on the table.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 6—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Rail, and Schmidt.

AYES, 4—viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, Wright, and President Endly.

Alderman King moved the previous question; which was ordered.

The question being on the adoption of the motion by Alderman Pritchard, a vote was taken, and the motion failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS, 6—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Rail, and Schmidt.

Alderman Brown moved that a Conference Committee of three members be appointed on the deficiency of the ex-City Treasurer, to act with a like committee on the part of the Common Council, to report next Monday night.

Which motion failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS, 6—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Rail, and Schmidt.

Alderman King moved to reconsider the vote by which the above motion failed; which was adopted, and the motion to appoint a Conference Committee was then adopted.

The President appointed Alderman Rail, Laut and Pritchard as the above committee.

Alderman Prier moved that the Board now adjourn to meet next Monday night.

Which was adopted.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.