

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Monday, October 23d, 1871, 7 o'clock P. M. }

The Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, in the chair,
and the following members :

Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber,
Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan,
Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Absent—Councilmen Woodburn—1.

By consent, Col. W. R. Holloway addressed the Council in
regard to the publication of his work on Indianapolis.

Mr. Brown moved that a Special Committee be appointed to confer with Col. Holloway in regard to his publication.

Which was adopted.

His Honor the Mayor appointed as such Committee Messrs. Wiles, Newman and Brown.

On motion by Mr. Heckman, the contract and bond of John Richardson, for grading and graveling Arsenal avenue and sidewalks, from Washington street to the Michigan road, was taken up, and contract awarded and bond approved.

Mr. Craft, from the Committee on Contracts, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals for various street work, have examined the same, and find the following named parties to be the lowest and best bidders, and would recommend that the contracts be awarded as follows:

FIRST.

For grading and graveling the alley running north and south through out-lot 26, and on the west side of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of said out-lot, to Messrs. Hanway & Co., at 38 cents per front foot on each side of the line improved.

SECOND.

For bowldering the gutters on Pennsylvania street, from First to Tinker street, and graveling an additional width of five feet on each side, to James Mahoney, at 40 cents per lineal foot on each side for bowldering the gutters, and 17 cents per lineal foot on each side for graveling the additional width of five feet.

THIRD.

For grading and graveling Second street and sidewalks, from Illinois to Tennessee street, to James Mahoney, at 64 cents per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved.

FOURTH.

For grading and graveling Roanoke alley, from Michigan to North street, to David Sylvester, at 26 cents per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved.

FIFTH.

For grading and graveling the first alley west of East street, running from Michigan street to the first alley south of Michigan street, to David Sylvester, at 12½ cents per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved.

SIXTH.

For grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on New York street, from Delaware to Tennessee street, to John Schrie, at 63 cents per front foot on each side of the line improved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CRAFT,
ROBERT KENNINGTON,
J. L. MARSEE,

Committee on Contracts.

Which was concurred in.

Also the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals for various street improvements, have examined the same, and would recommend that contracts be awarded as follows, to-wit :

FIRST.

For grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk on Maryland street, from Meridian street to Virginia avenue, to Thomas Roney, at \$1.09 cents per front foot on the line improved.

SECOND.

For changing the grade of the gutters on both sides of Illinois street, between the Union Railway tracks and the south side of South street, to curb the outside edges of the sidewalks where not already curbed, with Flat Rock stone, and for paving with bowlders the full

width of said street, to James W. Hudson, at \$2.39 per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved for bowldering, and 55 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing.

THIRD.

For grading and paving with bowlder stone the first alley south of Georgia street, running east and west between Meridian street and the first alley east thereof, to James W. Hudson, at 60 cents per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved.

FOURTH.

For curbing with stone and repairing the brick sidewalks on Virginia avenue, from Delaware street to Pogue's run, to Hiram Seibert, at 58 cents per foot front on each side for curbing, and 10 cents on each side of line improved for repairing pavement and relaying bowlders in gutters.

FIFTH.

For grading and graveling the first alley east of Mississippi street, running south from First street to the first alley south of First street, to James Mahoney, at 24 cents per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved.

SIXTH.

There was no proposals received for taking up the brick and relaying the same on the east side of Illinois street, from Market street 67½ feet south of Market street. We would recommend this be re-advertised.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CRAFT,
ROBERT KENNINGTON,
JOHN L. MARSEE,
Committee on Contracts.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Gimber presented the following remonstrance:

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—We the undersigned, citizens and property owners on South street, would most respectfully remonstrate against the

proposed improvement of the sidewalk on the south side of said street, for the following amongst other reasons, viz:

The condition of said sidewalk is not only better than the average sidewalks in the city, but the proposed improvement would only entail a heavy and almost unbearable tax on us at this time, without benefiting the properties or facilitate the sidewalks for pedestrian purposes; and your remonstrants would further state that the taxes for city purposes are already necessarily high, without forcing this additional tax, since it is plain that the benefits from the proposed improvement cannot be adequate to the cost. And your petitioners would further state, that in letting out the contract for improvement as aforesaid, or in passing the ordinance for the same, they were not consulted, as is usually the case all over the city. Wherefore the undersigned most respectfully pray that said ordinance be not enforced at this time, and the contract made for the improvement be rescinded, and for such other relief as is just and right in the premises they will ever pray, etc.

STEPHEN MATTLER,
 JAMES IRWIN,
 MARY IRWIN,
 WOOLLEN & RUDELL,
 JAMES FRANK,
 Agent for S. L. Waide.

Which was referred to the City Attorney.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Assessor presented the following communication:

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I hereby appoint Horace M. Hadley deputy City Assessor, to assist in making the transfers and other office work, and ask your honorable body to confirm his appointment.

WILLIAM HADLEY,
 City Assessor.

Which was received, and appointment unanimously confirmed.

The Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I hereby report the following work finished according to contract:

John Richardson—

For grading and graveling Hosbrook street and sidewalks,
from Grove street to the corporation line east:

Length on north side..... 815 ft. 9 in.
Length on south side..... 765 ft.

Total length.....1580 ft. 9 in.
At 50 cents per lineal foot..... \$790 37

Also, R. P. Dunning—

For grading, paving and curbing the west sidewalk on
Pennsylvania street, from First to Second streets:

617 ft. 6 in. paving, at 47 cts. per lineal foot..... \$290 22½
617 ft. 6 in. curbing, at 51 cts. per lineal foot..... 314 92½

Total estimate \$605 15

Also, John Schier—

For grading and paving the south sidewalk on New York
street, from Mississippi to Tennessee street:

290 lineal feet of pavement, at 61 cts. per foot..... \$176 90

Also, O. H. P. Bly—

For grading and paving the west sidewalk on Alabama
street, from Market street to Massachusetts avenue:

708 ft. 4 in. pavement, at 61 cts. per lineal foot..... \$432 08

Also, Hanway & Hanna—

For grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks
from Meridian to Illinois street:

Length on north side..... 420 ft.
Length on south side..... 429 ft. 8 in.

Total length..... 849 ft. 8 in.
At 39 cents per lineal foot..... \$331 37

Also, John A Whitsit—

For grading and graveling Hill avenue and sidewalks, from Barrow to Sheldon street:

Length on north side.....1402 ft.
Length on south side.....1462 ft. 6 in.

Total length.....2864 ft. 6 in.
At 63 cts. per lineal foot..... \$1,741 63
For extending ditch to drain street esrimated at 13 00

Total estimate..... \$1,817 63

Respectfully submitted,
R. M. PATTERSON,
Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The City Clerk would respectfully report the following estimates for work finished as per report of the City Civil Engineer :

FIRST.

John Richardson, first and final estimate for grading and graveling Hosbrook street and sidewalks, from Grove street to the corporation line east.

SECOND.

R. P. Dunning, first and final estimate for grading, paving with brick, and curbing with stone, the west sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, from First to Second street.

THIRD.

John Schier, first and final estimate for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of New York street, between Mississippi and Tennessee ttreets.

FOURTH.

O. H. P. Bly, first and final estimate for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Alabama street, from Market street to Massachusetts avenue.

FIFTH.

Hanway & Hanna, first and final estimate for grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks, between Meridian and Illinois streets.

SIXTH.

John A. Whitsit, first and final estimate for grading and graveling Hill avenue and sidewalks, from Barrow street to Sheldon street.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON,
City Clerk.

Which was received.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved, that the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed John A. Whitsit for grading and graveling Hill avenue and sidewalks, from Barrow to Sheldon streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved, that the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hanway and Hanna for grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks, from Meridian to Illinois street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell,

Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed O. H. P. Bly, or grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Alabama street, from Market street to Massachusetts avenue, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed John Cheir for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of New York street, between Mississippi and Tennessee streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed R. P. Dunning, for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone the west sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, from First to Tinker street, be and the same is hereby taken as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed John Richardson for grading and graveling Hosbrook street and sidewalk, from Grove street to the corporation line east, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The City Clerk would respectfully report :

FIRST.

Contract and bond of James W. Hudson, for grading and bowlder-

ing the first alley south of Georgia street, between Meridian street and the first alley east of Meridian street.

SECOND.

Contract and bond of James W. Hudson, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Market street and the south sidewalk of Wabash street, between Delaware and Alabama streets,

THIRD.

Contract and bond of James W. Hudson, for bowldering the street and curbing the outside edge of the sidewalks of Illinois street, from Union Railway Company's tracks to South street.

FOURTH,

Contract and bond of John Scheir, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of New York street, from Delaware to Tennessee streets.

FIFTH.

Contract and bond of Thos. Roney, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Maryland street, from Meridian street to Virginia avenue, where not already paved.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON,
City Clerk.

Which was concurred in, and bonds approved.

The Chief Fire Engineer made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I would report that I have received bids for building the Hose Reel House on St. Joseph street, and the motion by which it was ordered, provided that the cost should not exceed \$700, the bids I have received are as follows :

Desper & Co.....	\$900
John M. Kemper.....	859
Jacob Coffman.....	855
Cal. F. Darnell.....	880

I thought best to report the matter to the Council, and you can do

what you think best. The time is short and it is necessary that the matter should be settled as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

DAN. GLAZIER,

Chief Fire Engineer.

Which was received, and the Committee on Fire Department and Chief Fire Engineer instructed to contract with the lowest bidder.

The City Attorney made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The judgment of Messrs. Lawyer & Hall against the city for \$600, lately rendered in the Superior Court of Marion County, is due, and unless it is paid, or replevied, an execution will be issued at once, the plaintiffs inform me. I suggest that the Council take some action in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,

City Attorney.

Which was received, and, on motion, the amount ordered to be inserted in the next general account ordinance.

The City Treasurer made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

Report of John W, Coons, City Treasurer, showing the Receipts and Disbursements from May 10, 1871, to October 10, 1871:

RECEIPTS.

Licenses.....	\$3,844 69
Fines and fees.....	229 90
Hospital fund.....	91 00
Taxes	9,950 15
Loan, (Bonds July 1st, and Sept. 1st,).....	196,406 23

R. S. Foster, Ex-City Treasurer.....	154,124 06
Promiscuous.....	18 25
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Total Receipts.....	\$364,264 28

DISBURSEMENTS.

Police Department	\$14,947 25
Fire Department and Engine Houses.....	32,022 16
Salary.....	11,878 97
Hospital	5,156 90
Elections	733 00
Sewer	86,687 16
Street Improvements.....	5,081 22
Station House.....	1,710 59
Printing and Stationery.....	5,598 87
Gas and gas fixtures.....	28,819 54
Bonds, interest on Bonds.....	112,669 06
Civil Engineer, (assistance).....	1,540 00
Bobbs' Dispensary.....	550 00
Damages.....	775 00
City Commissioners.....	481 50
Cisterns	664 32
Rent	1,524 00
Bridges	4,567 22
Promiscuous	3,224 15
Parks	878 75
School Fund	18,000 00
Donation.....	6,000 00
Street Repairs	10,879 22
Balance in Treasury.....	9,875 31
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Total.....	\$364,264 28

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. COONS,

City Treasurer.

Which, on motion by Mr. Marsee, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Craft introduced Special Ordinance No. 142, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with Leffler paving stone the north, south and west sidewalks of the University square,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Craft introduced Special Ordinance No. 143, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to repeal Special Ordinance No. 82, 1871, entitled, "An ordinance to grade and gravel the first alley west of East street, running from Michigan street to the first alley south of Michigan street,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Indiana avenue, between St. Clair and Athon streets, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance providing for the erection of lamp posts, lamps, and fixtures complete to burn gas, on said Avenue, beginning at St. Clair street, and ending at the west side of Blake street.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. WOOD,

JAMES Y. WILSON,

CONRAD MONNIGER,

And 5 others.

Which was received.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 144, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp posts and fixtures, complete to burn gas, except the service pipe, on Indiana avenue, from St. Clair to Athon street,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Whitsit presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned, property-holders, living and owning property upon Fletcher's avenue and South street, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance to grade and pave with brick the sidewalks on said streets, from the crossing of South street at Virginia avenue, to Cedar street on Fletcher's avenue. Also, the planting and boxing of shade trees on said streets, where no trees are planted at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES D. WILCOX,
THOS. A. MEANS,
WILLIAM C. MASON.

And 22 others.

Which was received.

Mr. Whitsit introduced Special Ordinance No. 145, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Fletcher avenue, from Noble street to Cedar street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Whitsit introduced Special Ordinance No. 146, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of South street, between East and Noble streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Whitsit introduced Special Ordinance No. 147, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for planting and boxing shade trees on South street and Fletcher avenue, from East street to Cedar street,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell introduced Special Ordinance No. 148, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for grading Merrill street, from East street to Virginia avenue.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body to pass an ordinance to grade and gravel the north sidewalk on West Washington street, between California street and White river.

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. AMBRUSTER.

Which was received.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 149, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the north sidewalk of Washington street, from California street to White river.

Which was read the first time.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion, the following entitled Ordinances were taken up, read the second time and ordered engrossed :

Special Ordinance No. 108, 1871.

Special Ordinance No. 113, 1871.

Special Ordinance No. 119, 1871.

Special Ordinance No. 120, 1871.

Special Ordinance No. 121, 1871.

Special Ordinance No. 122, 1871.

- Special Ordinance No. 123, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 124, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 125, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 126, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 130, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 132, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 133, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 134, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 135, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 136, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 137, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 138, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 139, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 140, 1871.
- Special Ordinance No. 141, 1871.

By consent, Mr. Craft, from the Committee on Water Works, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned, members of the Committee on Water Works, would beg leave to report, that having been notified by the Officers of the Water Works Company, that they are now prepared to carry out in good faith and to the fullest extent, the conditions and requirements of their Charter. We would, therefore, recommend that a public test of the works be ordered for Wednesday next, October 25th, at two o'clock P. M., and that a special meeting be held on Thursday evening, 26th inst., to consider the matter of receiving the Fire Hydrants, and, entering into a contract with the Water Works Company, to furnish water for fire, and other purposes, as set forth in their Charter, for the term one year.

We would also recommend the matter of considering the water rates, at which water shall be furnished citizens, be made the special

order for the next regular meeting, to be held Monday, October 30th, 1871.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CRAFT,
ISAAC THALMAN,
C. HECKMAN,
Committee on Water Works.

Which was concurred in.

On motion, the rules were suspended for the purpose of calling the roll of members for the presentation of new business.

Mr. Batty presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body to cause to be opened an alley ten feet wide, to be taken from the north side of lots five, six, seven, and eight, in Horace R. Allen's subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 181, in the city of Indianapolis, commencing at the west side of Plum street, and running or extending thence west to the east side of Park avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES CRIGLER,
SAMUEL HANWAY,
THEODORE WILES,

And 12 others.

Which was received.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved: That the City Commissioners be instructed to appraise and assess the damages and benefits accruing to the owner or owners of ten feet of land in width, to be taken off the north side of lots 5, 6, 7, and 8, in Horace R. Allen's subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 181, in the city of Indianapolis; said strip of ground to be appropriated for an alley, and to extend from the west side of Plum street to the east side of Park avenue in said city. Said appraisal and assessment to be made and reported in all respects as re-

quired by sections 62 and 63 of an act for the incorporation of cities, approved March 14, 1867. And the City Clerk is hereby required to give notices to the City Commissioners, and the owner or owners of said real estate proposed to be appropriated, as provided by the 62nd section of said Act.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—16.

Negative—Councilman Kennington—1.

Mr. Batty presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body to caused to be opened an alley ten feet wide, to be taken off the south side of lots twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven and twenty-eight, which front on Arch street, in Horace R. Allen's subdivision of part of out-lot No. 181, in the city of Indianapolis, commencing at the west side of Plum street, and running, or extending, thence west to the east side of Park avenue,

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK WIMER,
JACOB MATHIAS,
CAROLINE F. JONES,

And 8 others.

Which was received.

Also the following resolution :

Resolved : That the City Commissioners be instructed to appraise and asses the damages and benefits accruing to the owner, or owners, of ten feet of land in width, to be taken from the south side of lots 25, 26, 27 and 28, in Horace R. Allen's subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 181, in the city of Indianapolis; said strip of ground to be appropriated for an alley, and to extend from the west side of Plum

street to the east side of Park avenue, in said city. Said appraisal and assessment, to be made and reported in all respects, as required by sections 62 and 63, of the act for the incorporation of cities, approved March 14, 1867. And the City Clerk is hereby required to give notices to the City Commissioners, and the owner, or owners, of said real estate proposed to be appropriated, as provided by the 62nd section of said act.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—16.

Negative—Councilman Kennington—1.

Mr. Batty presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your petitioners, owners of the property on Alabama street, south of Tinker street, through Murphy's addition, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an order for the vacation of ten feet on the west side of Alabama street, from Tinker to the first street south of Tinker, so as to make the street a uniform width of eighty feet, from Morrison to Tinker street.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DANFORTH,
L. N. ANDREWS,
MAY & WASSON.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Batty presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, property owners residing in Biddle and St. Clair streets, in Biddle's subdivision of out-lot 45, in the city of Indianapolis, represent to your honorable body that the

Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad Company, are now laying down a switch in such a manner as seriously to injure our property, the track being laid down within five feet of our fences, utterly cutting us off from egress and ingress to our property, and we respectfully petition you to order said Company to stop putting down such switch, and, also, order them to take up what they have already laid down.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK KASSEBAUM,
ERNST DITTER.

Also the following motion :

Moved: That the petition be referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, and that until said Committee report, and further action be had by the Council, that the City Marshal notify the Railroad Company to stop laying down the track.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bigham offered the following motion :

Moved: That the City Engineer be directed to have the contractors lay the pavement around the Market House the full width of the sidewalk, including the west sidewalk of Alabama street, *provided*, said contractors will do it at the same rates they took the contract for.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bigham offered the following motion :

Moved: That the Street Commissioners be, and is hereby instructed to lay down a stone crossing on the west sidewalk of Alabama street, at the crossing of Wabash alley, or street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bigham offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Commissioners be instructed to appraise

and assess the damages and benefits accruing to the owner or owners, of ten feet in width of land, to extend from Maryland street to Cumberland alley, in said city, five feet thereof to be taken off the east side of lot 16, and five feet thereof to be taken from the west ends of lots No. 15, 16, 17 and 18, all in out-lot, or square, No. 140, in the city of Indianapolis, said strip of ground to be appropriated for an alley. Said appraisement and assessment to be made and reported, in all respects as required by sections 62 and 63 of an act for the incorporation of cities, approved March 14, 1867. And the City Clerk is hereby required to give notices to the City Commissioners, and the owner, or owners, of said real estate proposed to be appropriated, as provided by the 62nd section of said act.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Brown offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That hereafter, no petition or motion to vacate, alter or open any street or alley, shall be considered by the Council, unless the same is accompanied with a map of the square or squares, out-lot or out-lots, through which such street or alley proposed to be vacated, altered or opened shall run ; which map shall show the surrounding streets, with the names thereof, and also the lots contained in such square or squares, out-lot or out-lots, with the numbers and the owners names, if known, indorsed thereon.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Gimber, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit and Wiles—17.

Negative—None.

Mr. Cottrell presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, October 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned, respectfully ask that your honorable consider the propriety of placing a Hose Reel, with the neces-

sary hose, in the building now occupied by the No. 3 Fire Engine, on South street, when said engine is removed to its new quarters.

Respectfully submitted,

McCORD & WHEATLY,

CHR. SCHETTER,

J. GEO. FAHRION,

And 96 others.

Also the following motion :

Moved: That the Committee on Fire Department, with the Chief Fire Engineer, be authorized to organize and locate a Hose Reel Company in the South street Engine House.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following motion :

Moved: That E. Fast & Co., be permitted to lay down a plank crossing across the stone pavement on the east sidewalk of Alabama street, between Pogue's run and the second alley south of Washington street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Craft offered the following motion :

Moved: That the Judiciary Committee, with His Honor, the Mayor, resurrect, or report a set of rules of order for this Council, and have the same printed for the use of the members thereof.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Heckman offered the following motion :

Moved: That the City Marshal notify the Indianapolis and Junction Railroad Company, to move the lumber on Summit street, within five days. If not removed within said time, the Street Commissioner to remove the same at the expense of the above said Company.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Heckman offered the following motion :

Moved: That Mr. Fred Klein and E. T. Matson, be permitted to shoot the pigeons on their premises, on East Georgia street, between Cady and the old Corporation.

Which was adopted.

His Honor, the Mayor, offered the following motion :

Moved: That Adjutant General Greenwalt, have permission to shoot the pigeons at the State offices, *provided*, it be done in the early morning, and under the direction of the City Marshal.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Heckman offered the following motion :

Moved: That the Civil Engineer be instructed to have the corners curbed, and the crossings bowldered, as contemplated in the Ordinance for the improvement of Virginia avenue.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kennington offered the following motion :

Moved: That Michael Haug be allowed the privilege of putting down a foot bridge in front of his property, on the corner of South street and Madison avenue, at his own expense, and under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Locke offered the following motion :

Moved: That the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair the bridge on the lower arm of the Canal, at the crossing of Washington street. Also, the bridge on Ray street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

Moved : That the City Marshal be, and is hereby directed to notify the property-holders along the north side of Washington street, between the arm of the Canal and White river, to immediately remove buildings and obstructions on the street and sidewalk.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, owners of ground fronting or siding on Michigan street, between Blackford and Blake streets, in said city, respectfully represent, that a petition is supposed to be pending before your honorable body for grading and graveling Michigan street between said points; and because of the lateness of the season, and for other reasons, we remonstrate against said work at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. SPANN,

E. W. H. ELLIS,

BY JOHN S. SPANN.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.]

Mr. Weaver offered the following motion :

Moved : That David Kreglo be, and is hereby granted permission to grade and pave with brick, the sidewalk in front of his property on New York street, the same to be done within sixty days, and to the satisfaction of the Civil Engineer, who is hereby instructed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Weaver offered the following motion :

Moved : That Thomas Peck and D. Yandes be, and are hereby granted permission to grade and gravel the alley running east and west through block 28, Drake's addition to the city of Indianapolis, from Tennessee street to the first alley west of Tennessee street, the same to be done at their own expense, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby instructed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Weaver presented the following :

Weekly contents of Register of Patients of City Hospital, ending October 21, 1871 :

Number of patients in Hospital at last report.....	40
" " received in Hospital since last report.....	5
" " born in Hospital since last report.....	0
" " discharged from Hospital since last report...	8
" " died in Hospital since last report.....	0
" " remaining in Hospital at present report.....	46

J. N. MARSEE,
Superintendent.

Which was received.

Mr. Weaver presented the following :

Weekly contents of Register of Patients of City Hospital, ending October 14, 1871 :

Number of patients in Hospital at last report	45
" " received in Hospital since last report.....	12
" " born in Hospital since last report.....	0
" " discharged from Hospital since last report....	8
" " died in Hospital since last report.....	0
" " remaining in Hospital at present report.....	49

JOHN N. MARSEE,
Superintendent.

Which was received.

Mr. Wiles offered the following motion :

Moved : That that the Mayor be instructed to issue his proclamation, offering one hundred dollars for the arrest of any incendiary, to be paid upon conviction.

Which was adopted.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 23, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned, heirs of J. R. Griffith, in front of whose property, on Mississippi street, your honorable body has ordered an improvement, would respectfully represent to your honorable body, that in our opinion the work has not been done in accordance with the terms of the contract, the contract provides for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone, the west sidewalk of Mississippi, between Washington and Maryland streets.

Now, we have no objection to paying for improvements when properly made, but we do think that when a sidewalk is to be curbed, for which we have to pay, that we should not be compelled to pay for what we do not get, the matter we refer to in this is the space not curbed. Wherever there happens to be a tree in the way, in this case, there is about two feet not curbed for each tree. There are three trees in front of our property, making in all about six feet of curbing for which we are charged, that is not put in at all, and for which we do not think we ought to be made to pay.

By taking such action in this matter as will seem best in your judgment, and doing us what we claim is but simple justice, you will oblige yours, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

HEIRS OF J. R. GRIFFITH.

Which was referred to the Committee on Contracts and City Civil Engineer.

On motion, the Council adjourned until Thursday, October 26th, 1871, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

DANIEL MACAULEY,

Mayor.

ATTEST:

JOHN R. CLINTON,

City Clerk.