

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL

---

REGULAR SESSION.

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CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
*Monday, November 13, 1871, 7 o'clock P. M.* }

The Common 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—14.

Absent—Councilmen Gimber, Kennington, Thoms and Weaver—4.

The proceedings of the regular session held November 6th, 1871, were read and approved.

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

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom sundry bids for street work were referred, would respectfully report :

FIRST.

To grade and pave with brick the north sidewalk of Louisiana street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, where not already paved, as follows :

Thomas Roney, per lineal foot.....	\$1 09
Samuel Lefevre, per lineal foot.....	1 20
George W. Buchanan, per lineal foot.....	1 27

Thomas Roney being the lowest bidder, we would recommend that the contract be awarded to him.

SECOND.

To take up the brick and relay them on Illinois street, from Market street to a point 67½ feet south of Market street, as follows :

O. H. P. Bly, per lineal foot.....	\$ 90
Thomas Roney, per lineal foot.....	1 25
Geo. W. Buchanan, per lineal foot.....	1 35

O. H. P. Bly being the lowest bidder, we would recommend that the contract be awarded to him.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CRAFT,

J. L. MARSEE,

Committee.

Which was concurred in.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report :

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

R. P. Dunning—

For grading, paving and curbing the south sidewalk on South street, from Illinois to Tennessee street:

426 ft. of paving, at 63 cts. per lineal foot.....	\$268 38
478 ft. of curbing, at 51 cts. per lineal foot.....	243 78

Total estimate.....	\$512 16
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Also, Hanway & Co.—

For grading and graveling Barrow street and sidewalks, from Malott avenue to Lincoln street:

Length on east side.....	945 ft.
Length on west side.....	1044 ft. 4 in.

Total length.....	1989 ft. 4 in.
At 45 cts. per lineal foot.....	\$954 88

Also, Samuel Lefevre—

For grading and bowldering Pearl street, from Alabama street to the first alley west of Alabama street:

Length on north side.....	217 ft. 6 in.
Length on south side.....	217 ft. 6 in.

Total length.....	435 ft.
At 69 cts. per lineal foot.....	\$300 15

Also, same—

For grading and bowldering the alley running north and south through square 76, between Maryland street and Chesepeake alley:

Length on east side.....	195 ft.
Length on west side.....	195 ft.

Total length.....	390 ft.
At 50 cts. per lineal foot.....	\$195 00

Also, same—

For grading and bowldering the gutter on the north side of Georgia street, from Meridion to Pennsylvania street:

Length of gutter.....	317 ft. 6 in.
At 50 cts. per lineal foot.....	\$158 75

Also, Hanway & Hanna—

For paving and curbing the sidewalk on Pennsylvania street, from Second to Tinker street:

3907 ft. 6 in. paving, at 67 cts. per lineal foot...\$2,618 02½  
 4047 ft. 6 in. curbing, at 63 cts. per lineal foot.. 2,549 92½

Total estimate.....	\$5,167 95
Deduct former estimate.....	2,564 60
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Present payment.....	\$2,603 35

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

Which was concurred in.

The Street Commissioner made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871

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

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

James Mahoney, regraveling New York street and sidewalks, between East and Noble streets:

699 yards of gravel, at 83 cts. per yard..... \$580 17

Respectfully submitted,  
 A. BRUNGR,  
 Street Commissioner.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The City Clerk would respectfully report as follows:

FIRST.

R. P. Dunning, first and final estimate for grading, paving and

curbing the south sidewalk of South street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets.

## SECOND.

Hanway & Co., first and final estimate for grading and graveling Barrow street and sidewalks, from Malotte avenue to Lincoln street.

## THIRD.

Samuel Lefevre, first and final estimate for grading and bowldering Pearl street, from Alabama street to the first alley west of Alabama street.

## FOURTH.

Samuel Lefevre, first and final estimate for grading and bowldering the alley running north and south through square 76, between Maryland street and Chesepeake alley.

## FIFTH.

Samuel Lefevre, first and final estimate for grading and bowldering the gutter on the north side of Georgia street, from Meridian to Pennsylvania street.

## SIXTH.

Hanway & Hanna, second and final estimate for grading, paving and curbing the sidewalks on Pennsylvania street, from Second to Tinker street.

## SEVENTH.

James Mahoney, first and final estimate for regravelling New York street and sidewalks, between East and Noble streets.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON,

City Clerk.

Which was received.

Also the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed R. P. Dunning for grading, paving and curbing the south sidewalk of South street, from Illinois to 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilman Woodburn—1.

Also the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed Hanway & Hanna for grading and paving Barrow street and sidewalks, from Malotte avenue to Lincoln 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit, and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilman Woodburn—1.

Also the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Sam. Lefevre, for grading and bowldering Pearl street, from Alabama street to the first alley west of Alabama 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit, and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilman Woodburn—1.

Also the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed Sam. Lefevre for grading and bowldering the alley running north and south through square 76, between Maryland street and Chesapeake alley, 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit, and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilman Woodburn—1.

Also the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed Sam. Lefevre for grading and bowldering the gutter on the north side of Georgia street, from Meridian to Pennsylvania 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit, and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilman Woodburn—1.

Also the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing second and final estimate, allowed Hanway & Hanna for grading and paving the sidewalks of Pennsylvania street, from Second to Tinker 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilman Woodburn—1.

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed Jas. Mahoney for regravelling New York street, between East and Noble 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, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Whitsit and Wiles—11.

Negative—None.

The City Clerk presented the contract and bond of O. H. P. Bly, for taking up and relaying the east sidewalk of Illinois street, from Market street to a point 67½ feet south of Market street,

Which was approved.



The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The City Clerk would respectfully report that there is on file in his office affidavits for the collection of street assessment by precept as follows :

Conrad Neab vs. Hannah Coyle for.....	\$4 19
“ “ L. V. Defflaux for.....	9 11
“ “ Martin Turquin for.....	27 63
“ “ Charles Eppert for.....	4 07
“ “ Sarah Reading for.....	5 43
“ “ Charles C. Powell for.....	2 27

And would respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON,  
City Clerk.

Which was concurred in, and precepts ordered to issue.

The Street Commissioner submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—On the 14th day of October, 1871, I was instructed by your honorable body to begin the work of lowering the Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Lafayette railroad tracks, between Indiana avenue and Ohio street, within ten days. On the 23d day of October, 1871, the accompanying injunction was served upon me. I thought best to respect the injunction, and refer the matter to your honorable body for further instructions.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRUNER,  
Street Commissioner.

Which was received.

The Street Commissioner made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to report the following work done in the street repairing department since Oct. 1st, 1871 :

## FIRST WARD.

Put two foot bridges on New York and East street.....	\$8 00
Repaired the culvert on Vermont and New Jersey street....	11 00
Repaired the culvert on New York and Railroad street .....	7 00
Cleaned Delaware street, three squares . .....	38 00
Cleaned Pennsylvania street, three squares.....	55 00
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	\$119 00

## SECOND WARD.

Cleaned Pennsylvania street.....	\$60 00
Cleaned Delaware street.....	28 00
Opened the gutters on Meridian street .....	22 00
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	\$110 00

## THIRD WARD.

Opened the gutter on Meridian street.....	\$32 00
Repaired the culvert on Mississippi and Ohio street.....	13 00
Repaired the culvert on Mississippi and North street, also on Tennessee and North street .....	18 00
Repaired the culvert on Illinois and Washington street....	15 00
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	\$98 00

## FOURTH WARD.

Filled up to the foot bridges on North and Blake streets....	\$11 00
Repaired the culvert on Mississippi and Market streets.....	14 00
Repaired the culvert on Mississippi and Ohio streets.....	7 00
Put a foot bridge on Vermont and West streets.....	4 00
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	\$36 00

## FIFTH WARD.

Repaired the culvert on Illinois and Washington streets....	\$11 00
Repaired the culvert on Illinois and Merrill streets.....	13 00
Took out the old culverts and filled up the excavation on South street, at the crossing of West street.....	38 00
Filled up the gutter at the crossing of South and Tennessee streets .....	28 00
Filled up the gutters at the crossing of South and Missis-	

Mississippi streets.....	38 00
Took out the culverts and filled up the excavation at the crossing of Illinois and South streets.....	22 00
Repaired the culvert on McNabb and Illinois streets.....	9 00
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	\$159 00

## SIXTH WARD.

Took out the old culverts and leveled up the crossing on Meridian and South streets .....	53 00
Leveled up the crossing of Pennsylvania and South streets.	38 00
Leveled up the crossing of Delaware and South streets.....	18 00
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	\$109 00

## SEVENTH WARD.

Took out the culverts and leveled up the intersection of South and Alabama streets.....	\$48 00
Removed the old culverts and leveled up the intersection of South and New Jersey streets.....	32 00
Removed the culverts and leveled up the intersection of East street and Virginia avenue.....	62 00
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	\$142 00

## EIGHTH WARD.

Removed the old culverts and leveled up the intersection of South and East street .....	\$70 00
Leveled up the intersection of South and School streets ....	35 00
Leveled up the intersection of Pine street and Fletcher avenue .....	30 00
Leveled up the intersection of Cedar street and Fletcher avenue .....	20 00
Dug a ditch at the old corporation line and Fletcher avenue, to let the water into the sewer from Virginia river..	35 00
Repaired the culvert on Noble and Georgia streets.....	7 00
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	\$197 00

## NINTH WARD.

Cleaned Delaware street, three squares .....	\$35 00
Cleaned Pennsylvania street, two squares.....	20 00
Cleaned Massachusetts avenue, one square.....	20 00
Renewed the culvert on Delaware and Washington streets..	38 00
Repaired the culvert on Ohio and New Jersey streets.....	17 00
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	\$128 00

## BRIDGES.

Repaired the bridge over the canal on Blackford street .....	\$18 00
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Repaired the bridge over the canal on Ray street.....	30 00
Repaired the bridge over the canal on McCarty street.....	5 00
Renewed the bridge over Pogue's Run on Meridian street...	490 00
Repaired the bridge over the canal on Michigan street.....	28 00
	\$571 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Put down two stone crossings on Pennsylvania and Vermont streets.....	\$240 00
Regraded and paved the intersection of South and Meridian streets.....	220 00
Cleaned up and repaired around the Market space.....	90 00
Dug a ditch for water pipe to the new Engine House on Merrill street.....	18 00
	\$568 00

## RECAPITULATION BY WARDS.

Showing the amount on hand Oct. 1, 1871, the amount expended since Oct. 1, 1871, and the amount on hand at the present date :

	Deficit Oct 1, '71	Balance Oct. 1, '71.	Am't ex- pended s'ce Oct. 1, '71.	Balance on hand.	Deficit.
First Ward.....		\$202 00	\$119 00	\$83 00	.....
Second Ward.....		304 00	110 00	194 00	.....
Third Ward.....	\$43 00	.....	98 00	.....	\$141 00
Fourth Ward.....		271 00	36 00	235 00	.....
Fifth Ward.....	13 00	.....	159 00	.....	172 00
Sixth Ward....	106 00	.....	109 00	.....	215 00
Seventh Ward..		286 00	142 00	144 00	.....
Eighth Ward...		84 00	197 00	.....	113 00
Ninth Ward.....		159 00	128 00	31 00	.....
Bridge Fund.....		250 00	571 00	.....	321 00
Miscellaneous...		1,148 00	568 00	580 00	.....
Total.....	\$162 00	\$1,704 00	\$2,237 00	\$1,267 00	\$962 62

Which was received.

The City Attorney made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—At your last meeting you referred to me the report of the City Commissioners assessing damages and benefits in extending Market street east, through the grounds of Isaac N. Phipps, and also the communication of Mr. Phipps, in relation thereto.

I have examined the proper records and find that the grounds of Mr. Phipps are embraced in a petition presented to the Board of County Commissioners by the Common Council, which was granted by said Board, and the action of the Board was appealed from to the Marion Civil Circuit Court, where the petition was dismissed. The City has appealed to the Supreme Court from the decision of the Circuit Court; the case has been submitted in the Supreme Court and awaits decision. Of course the Common Council now have no jurisdiction of the matter, and the action of the City Commissioners, as well as the resolutions of the Common Council directing them to assess the said damages and benefits, is a nullity.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,  
City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

The City Attorney also made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I have examined condition of the I. C. and L. R. R. injunction case as directed.

Thus far the order of the Court has not changed the status of the case. It is agreed with the attorneys of the Receivers, and Judge Perkins and myself that the matter shall be presented to the District Judge on next Saturday, when I hope to be able to give the Council a satisfactory statement of the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,  
City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

The City Attorney also made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Special ordinances numbered 125 and 126, in relation to lighting with gas certain streets, has been referred to me. I am not informed of the reason for the reference. They seem to be in proper form, and on their face present no objection to their passage, I therefore report them back for the action of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,  
City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

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

Special Ordinance No. 126, 1871.

“ “ “ 144, 1871.

“ “ “ 150, 1871.

“ “ “ 151, 1871.

“ “ “ 153, 1871.

General Ordinance No. 41, 1871.

“ “ “ 9, 1871.

“ “ “ 39, 1871.

“ “ “ 37, 1871.

“ “ “ 58, 1871.

“ “ “ 30, 1871.

“ “ “ 34, 1871.

“ “ “ 33, 1871.

Special Ordinance No. 152, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling High street and

sidewalks, from Wyoming street to the first alley south of Wyoming street,

Was called up, and, on motion by Mr. Cottrell, stricken from the files.

General Ordinances Nos. 22 and 23, 1871, relating to markets, &c., were, on, motion, referred to the Committee on Markets and City Attorney.

General Ordinance No. 46, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to prohibit the placing of any ornamental or illuminated clock or other sign in or on any sidewalk or street of the city of Indianapolis,

Was read the second time, and, on motion, stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 49, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance in reference to the sealing of weights and measures, &c.,

Was read the second time, and, on motion, referred to a Special Committee composed of Messrs. Brown, Newman, Bigham, Craft and Locke.

General Ordinance No. 13, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to abolish the office of City Gas Inspector,

Was called up, and, on motion, stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 42, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to abolish the office of Street Commissioner,

Was called up, and, on motion, stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 14, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to abolish the office of Wood Measurer, &c.,

Was called up, and, on motion, stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 57, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to prohibit the feeding and fattening of hogs in pens in the city of Indianapolis,

Was called up, and, on motion, stricken from the files.

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Special Ordinance No. 150, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to plant and box shade trees on Broadway street, between Christian and Forest Home avenues,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative.—None.

Special Ordinance No. 151, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade, bowlder, curb and pave the sidewalks of East street, from South to Coburn street,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell,



Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative—None.

Special Ordinance No. 153, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to grade and gravel Wabash street, from West to Missouri street,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilmen Newman and Reagan—2.

General Ordinance No. 30, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance prohibiting goats from running at large in the city of Indianapolis,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—11.

Negative—Councilmen Newman and Reagan—2.

General Ordinance No. 33, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for the safety of the people when attending theater, lecture, or other places of amusement or instruction,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative—None.

General Ordinance No. 33, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to prevent contractors from removing dirt, sand or gravel from any street or alley other than the street or alley embraced in the contract,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative—None.

General Ordinance No. 37, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to prevent the deposit of dead animals, or the offal thereof, in the canal or streams of the city of Indianapolis, or within two miles thereof,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative—None.

General Ordinance No. 39, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to amend an ordinance in regard to running locomotives, &c.,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote: //

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative—None.

General Ordinance No. 41, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to build bridges over railroads on Delaware street, between Georgia and South streets,

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Locke, Marsee, Newman, Reagan, Thalman, Whitsit and Wiles—13.

Negative—None.

Mr. Brown, from Select Committee, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, a select committee appointed at a late meeting of the Council, would respectfully call attention to the accompanying petition of tax-payers, resolutions of the Board of Trade, letter of Professor Cox, State Geologist, and other testimonials, and would report in favor of purchasing two thousand copies of "Holloway's Indianapolis;" provided, that the publisher, W. R. Holloway, will contract with the city for their immediate distribution throughout the country, under direction of a Council committee. The cost not to exceed \$2,000, to be paid for six months from date of purchase, without interest.

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN H. BROWN,  
J. S. NEWMAN,  
W. D. WILES,  
Select Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Whitsit offered the following motion :

*Moved*; That the Chief Fire Engineer be instructed to set the tower for the big bell on the front of the Maryland street lot, and at a highth of twenty feet above Morrison's Building.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Marsee, from the Committee on Fire Department, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your Commtee on Fire Department, to whom was referred the proposition of Messrs. Gamewell & Co., of New York, to furnish and put in operation five large electro-mechanical bell strikers, together with all the weights, chains and hammers necessary to draw the full tone of such bells as may be selected for the purpose, weighing less than ten thousand pounds, for the sum of five thousand dollars, payable in three years from completion of contract, with six per cent. interest, would respectfully report that they have examined the same and would recommend that the proposition be accepted, and that the Committee on Fire Department with the City Attorney and Chief Fire Engineer, be authorized to close the contract for the above-named work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MARSEE,

ROBT KENNINGTON.

WM. W. WEAVER,

Committee on Fire Department.

Which was concurred in.

A Special Committee, consisting of the Committee on Fire Department, Chief Fire Engineer and City Attorney, was then appointed to ascertain at what price extra bells would be furnished by Gamewell & Co.

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

Mr. Batty offered the following motion :

*Moved*; That Sellers & Bro. be permitted to put in a pump at the edge of the sidewalk in front of their premises, corner of Plum street and Massachusetts Avenue, on their complying with the provisions of the ordinance regulating such matters.

Also to pave with hard-burnt brick the sidewalk in front of said premises, the work to be done at their own expense and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby ordered to set the grade stakes for the same.

The above work to be completed within thirty days.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Batty introduced Special Ordinance No. 157, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to light with gas Peru street, from Christian to Forest Home avenues,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Bigham offered the following motion :

*Moved*; That the street commissioner be and is hereby directed to place a stone crossing across the north side of Washington street on Meridian Street, also the north side of Washington and Pennsylvania street, said work to be done at once.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

*Moved*; That the City Clerk have the ordinance regulating tapping sewers published one time in the "People."

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

*Moved*; That the Street Commissioner be directed to place a stone crossing across Washington street, from the corner of the alley on the west side of the Singer Sewing Machine office to a point opposite, in front of R. L. McQuat's store.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

*Moved*; That the Street Commissioner be directed to repair the stone crossing on south side of Washington street from Palmer House corner west across Illinois street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, property owners, respectfully petition your honorable body to order the alley running from Delaware street to the J., M. and I. R. R. Co.'s track on the west, graded and graveled. Said alley being adjoining on the south side of lot No. 10, in square No. 98.

Respectfully presented,

WM. LANGSENKAMP,

D. ROOT,

CH. FERGER,

D. RINKLE.

Which was received.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 158, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and gravel the first alley north of South street, running east and west through square No. 98,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following motion :

*Moved;* That the Civil Engineer be instructed to insert in his specifications that the size of bowlders put on the streets shall not be less than three inches in diameter nor over seven inches.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrel offered the following motion :

*Moved;* That the Civil Engineer be instructed to give the contractor for grading and paving East street, between South and Coburn streets, until the first day of June, 1872, to complete the same.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Heckman offered the following motion :

*Moved;* That Mr. Pat. Curren be and is hereby permitted to pave the sidewalk in front of his property on Fletcher Avenue; that the same be done under the direction of the City Engineer, and at his own expense.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Heckman offered the following motion :

*Moved;* That the Marshal notify Mr. Edward King to repair the sidewalk in front of his property on the south side of Washington street, between East and Liberty streets.

Which was adopted.

Also the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I propose to furnish and securely attach to the City lamps, wherever required, a tin sign with perforated letters, as per sample, which can be read as well at night as in the daytime, at twenty-two cents per sign.

Very Respectfully,  
JEFF. SPRINGSTIEN.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Marsee offered the following motion:

*Moved;* That the crossings on Virginia Avenue be flagged and not bowldered.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Reagan offered the following motion :

*Moved;* That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the contractor for constructing the Illinois street sewer, to remove the hills of dirt left in said street near the Spencer House.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 159, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to grade and gravel Locke street and sidewalks, from Indiana avenue to Margaret street,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Wiles presented the following petition :



INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the alley between Delaware street and Alabama street, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling the alley running east and west through out-lot 175, between Delaware and Alabama streets; and your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

NEWTON IRVIN,  
JOHN S. JOHNSON,  
CASPER HEOFMAN.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 160, 1871, entitled:

An Ordinance to grade and gravel the alley running east and west through outlot 175, between Delaware and Alabama streets,

Which was read the first time.

His Honor the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, offered the following motion:

*Moved;* That the City Council will pay the City's assessment for printing the proceedings of the recent Police Convention, held in St. Louis, amounting to less than twenty dollars.

Which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Mr. Thalman, from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

FIRST.

GENTLEMEN—A petition was referred to us from property owners

on Barrow street, praying that the name of said street be changed to that of Columbia street. We would recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

## SECOND.

A remonstrance was referred to us signed by John S. Spann and others against improving West Michigan street between Blackford and Blake. We would recommend that the prayer of the remonstrants be not granted, and that the ordinance be passed as contemplated.

## THIRD.

A resolution was also referred to us, that the City Commissioners be instructed to appraise and assess damages and benefits for opening an alley from Maryland to Cumberland streets in out-lot No. 140. We herewith return the resolution, and recommend its passage and reference to the City Commissioners.

## FOURTH.

A motion was also referred to us that the Committee on Streets and Alleys examine the alley running east and west from Liberty to Noble streets, between Michigan and Lockerby streets, complaint having been made by property owners on said alley, that the grade is too low, and that C. F. G. Meyers was overcharged five feet for said improvement. We have examined the same and believe that the grade is about right. As to the overcharge against Meyer, we would recommend that the Civil Engineer be instructed to measure the same and if an error to correct it.

## FIFTH.

A remonstrance was also referred to us from Fred. Kasselbaum and others against granting the Cleveland, Columbus and Indianapolis Railroad Company to lay a railrod switch across Biddle Street. As the matter has already been disposed of by the Council, we recommend that no further action be taken.

## SIXTH.

A petition was also referred to us from property holders on South street and Fletcher Avenue, praying that ordinances be passed to pave with brick the sidewalks from crossing of Virginia Avenue to Cedar street on Fletcher Avenue; also for planting shade trees and boxing the same, on the same streets. As a large majority of property holders are in favor of said improvements, we would recommend that the ordinances be passed.

## SEVENTH.

An ordinance was also referred to us that the sidewalks on the west, south and north sides of University Square be paved with Leffler or other stone, to a width of ten feet. We would recommend that the ordinance be passed, with the following amendment: "To pave to the width of nine feet."

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC THALMAN,  
J. L. MARSEE,  
CHRIS. HECKMAN,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Newman, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The Finance Committee would respectfully report in favor of granting the prayer of the petition of Charles Bals, and that the City Clerk obtain from the City Treasurer the amount of taxes and interest thereon, to be refunded to said Bals, as claimed in such petition, and cause the same to be embraced in the next ordinance allowing claims.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. NEWMAN,  
AUSTIN H. BROWN,  
THOMAS COTTRELL,  
ISAAC THALMAN,  
J. H. WOODBURN,  
Finance Committee.

Which was concurred in.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY,  
Mayor.

ATTEST:

JOHN R. CLINTON,  
City Clerk.