

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—AUGUST 22, 1887.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, August 22d, A. D. 1887, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Thomas E. Endly, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright—9.

ABSENT, 1—viz: Alderman King.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held August 8th, 1887, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at a regular session, held Monday evening, August 15th, 1887.

For the Common Council :

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report from the Committee on Contracts (see pages 563 and 564, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from His Honor, the Mayor, showing the amount of fines and fees collected during the month of July, 1887, (see page 565, *ante*), was read and received.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see pages 565 and 566, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 566, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James W. Hudson, for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Illinois street, from Georgia street to Chesapeake street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 567, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Maryland street, from Illinois street to the first alley west of Illinois street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 567, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Haywood & Co., for grading and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Peru street, from Seventh street to Eighth street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 567, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James W. Hudson, for grading and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of College avenue, from Home avenue to Seventh street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 567, *ante*), was read :

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see pages 567, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Freaney Brothers, for erecting one lamp-post, lamp and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Second street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 568, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and graveling Reid street and sidewalks, from Woodlawn avenue to the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. tracks, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 568, *ante*.) was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and graveling Williams street and sidewalks, from State street to Arsenal avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 568, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of L. A. Fulmer, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Tenth street, from College avenue to Park avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 569, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimates in behalf of Richter & Twiname, for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Hill avenue, from Newman street to the first street east of Newman street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 569, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James W. Hudson, for grading and graveling Missouri street and sidewalks, from Louisiana street to Merrill street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 569, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of J. W. Cooper & Co., for grading and graveling the roadway of Alabama street, bouldering and curbing the gutters thereof, and widening the sidewalks, from Morrison street to Seventh street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 569, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James W. Hudson, for grading, bowldering and curbing the north gutter of New York street, and widening the sidewalk, from Meridian street to Illinois street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds (see page 570, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The reports from the County Auditor, showing statements of taxes collected by the Treasurer, and the amount of taxable property and polls for 1887 (see pages 571 and 572, *ante*), were read and received.

The following resolution (see page 572, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That there be, and is hereby, assessed and levied upon all real estate, personal, and railroad property, notes, bonds, stocks and choses in action, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, assessed and returned for taxation in and for said city, for the year 1887, a tax for general purposes of ninety (90) cents upon each one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of all such property, and the further sum of fifty cents on each poll, for general purposes.

And Resolved further, That the Auditor of Marion county, Indiana, be, and he is hereby, requested, authorized and directed, to place said taxes upon the proper tax duplicate, and the County Treasurer of Marion county, Indiana, be, and he is hereby, directed to collect the same for said City of Indianapolis, and make due report thereof.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The report from the City Attorney on sundry matters (see page 573, *ante*), was read and received.

The following motion (see page 573, *ante*), was read and concurrently adopted :

That when the title to Lots 229 and 230, in Kappes & Naltner's south Meridian street addition to the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, is satisfactory to the City Attorney, that he be authorized to accept deeds therefor, and to have said deeds recorded.

The report from the Committee on Accounts and Claims, on the claim of Henry Reinsfeld (see page 574, *ante*), was read, and referred to the City Attorney.

The report from the Committee on Public Property, on the sale of lawn mower (see page 574, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Special Committee on Natural Gas, on the petition of Aquilla Jones and others, and G. O. 30, 1887, (see page 575, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following resolution (see page 579, *ante*), was read :

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to extend its mains northward, from Louisiana street, in the new street, between Illinois and Meridian streets, to the intersection of the new street running eastward from Illinois street; thence westward in the said new street to and connecting with the main in Illinois street, and to locate one fire hydrant at the intersection of said new streets. Also, to extend its mains west from Illinois street, in Louisiana street, to and connecting with its mains in Tennessee street, and to locate one fire hydrant on Louisiana street, near the alley between Illinois and Tennessee streets. Also, to extend its mains in Meridian street, northward from South street to McNabb street, and to locate one fire hydrant at the intersection of McNabb and Meridian streets.

And it was concurrently adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following motions (see pages 577, 578, 579 and 580, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be directed to lay a double stone crossing from the southwest corner of Maryland and Delaware streets, to the northwest corner of Maryland and Delaware streets.

That Messrs. Doepper, Wishmeyer & Bany be, and are hereby, given permission to grade and gravel the first alley north of Market street, and west of Hanna street, adjoining their property, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes on Agnes street, from New York street to North street.

That the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on south Illinois street, from McCarty street to Morris street.

That the Street Commissioner clean Benton street, from Washington street to Georgia street.

WHEREAS, The street formerly known as "Japan street," has been changed so as to be known hereafter as South East street, and the numbers on the houses still remain as before; therefore, be it

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to regulate the numbers so as to have them continue in regular form from Morris street south.

That the Lake Erie & Western R. R. Co. be instructed to re-plank their tracks at the crossing of Christian avenue; and if the same is not done in ten days, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to do the same, and collect the cost of the railroad company.

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to designate the number of the houses on Ludlow Lane.

That W. H. H. Miller and Charles C. Mallard be, and are hereby, granted permission to open the block pavement, for tapping the water mains, in front of their residences on north Delaware street, between Home avenue and Second street: *Provided*, That they will agree to replace the blocks and other material back, and keep the same in good condition to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the property owners on the south side of New York street, between Meridian and Illinois streets, have permission to curb and bowlder the gutter and widen the sidewalks in front of their property. Said work to be done at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put in a new pump at the corner of Meridian and Washington streets, the old one being unfit for use.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, through Alderman Schmidt, submitted the following report, accompanied with resolution :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, to whom was referred a certain petition of John Wm. Taylor, Julia A. Stone, Clara S. Hay and others, filed in the Common Council July 11th, 1887, also the report of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, accompanied with resolution, for the vacation and re-opening of an alley between Lots 389 and 390, and Out-lots 98, &c., in Fletcher, Stone, Witt, Taylor & Hoyt's subdivision, in the City of Indianapolis, have carefully examined the merits of said alley, etc. And we recommend to *non-concur* in the resolution referring to said alley as passed by the Common Council on August 1st, 1887; and that the following agreement and request of the property owners be received, to wit:

"We, the undersigned, owners of the two lots abutting upon the alley running from Hosbrook street southwest 163 feet to the alley in the rear of the same, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, and described as Lots Nos. 383 and 390, in Fletcher, Stone, Witt, Taylor & Hoyt's subdivision of Out-lots 96, 97, 98, and the south half of 91, do hereby agree and request that said alley be vacated and re-opened at a uniform width of fourteen (14) feet, so as to correspond with said alley as originally dedicated to the public in the plat of said Fletcher et al., as recorded in Plat Book No. 1, page 161, in the Recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana.

Witness our hands and seals, this 7th day of July, A. D. 1887.

John Wm. Taylor, sole surviving Executor of Elisha Taylor, dec'd; Julia A. Stone, Clara S. Hay, John Hay, Flora S. Mather, Samuel Mather, Eliza A. Witt, Mary Witt Eells, Dan. P. Eells, Emma Witt Harris, Wm. H. Harris, by John S. Spann, their attorney in fact."

And that the annexed resolution be adopted and passed, in place of the said resolution which was passed by the said Common Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorenz Schmidt,
John Rail,
H. J. Prier,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved, That whereas, John Wm. Taylor, Executor of the estate of Elisha Taylor, deceased, Julia A. Stone, Clara S. Hay, Flora S. Mather, Eliza A. Witt, Mary Witt Eells and Emma Witt Harris, being the sole owners, and the only persons interested in the lots abutting on the alley running southwest from Hosbrook street for a distance of 163 feet, more or less, to the alley in the rear of the same, between Lots Nos. 389 and 390, in Fletcher et al. subdivision of Out-lots 96, 97, 98 and the south half of 91, in the City of Indianapolis, and having petitioned for the vacation

of said alley, and the re-opening of the same at a uniform width of fourteen (14) feet, as shown in the plat filed with their petition, and having filed their agreement consenting to and requesting such vacation and change, and being satisfied that it will be for the benefit of the public, as well as of the petitioners, to vacate and change said alley; therefore

Resolved, That said alley be vacated and re-opened as prayed for by the said petitioners.

Which report was concurred in, and the resolution adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion by Alderman Pritchard, the vote by which G. O. 29, 1887, "An ordinance to provide for repealing G. O. 18, 1887," was passed at the last meeting, was reconsidered, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

On motion by Alderman Pritchard, G. O. 29, 1887, was then referred to the City Attorney.

Alderman Rail offered the following motion, which was referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage:

That the Street Commissioner be requested to remove the obstruction from the alley between McCarty and Ray streets, east of Missouri street.

Alderman Schmidt offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the City Clerk be instructed to advertise for bids for a lease to the Sellers Farm for one year from September 1, 1887; said bids to be opened at the meeting of the Common Council on September 5, 1887.

That the Street Commissioner be requested to clean the gutters along the west side of Alabama street, from McCarty street to a certain point north of Sinker street, so that the water can run off, and that the curb stones planted may be seen.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.