

# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—NOVEMBER 28, 1887.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, November 28th, A. D. 1887, at 7:30 o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Thomas E. Endly, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright—7.

ABSENT, 3—viz: Aldermen Brown, King, and Prier.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held November 14th, 1887, having been printed and placed on the desk of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

## MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

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, November 21st, 1887.

For the Common Council:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Acting City Clerk.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see pages 781 and 782, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 782, *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 Richter & Twiname, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Noble street, from Washington street to Louisiana 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, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 782, *ante*), was read:

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*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of George W. Seibert, for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Butler street, from Central avenue to College 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, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 782, *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 Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and graveling the first alley west of California street, from St. Clair street to Pratt 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, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 783, *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 Richter & Twiname, for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Hill avenue, from Malott avenue to 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, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 783, *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 Walnut street, between New Jersey and East 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, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following report from the Acting City Clerk (see page 784, *ante*), was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the following entitled affidavits, now on file in the City Clerk's office, for the collection of street improvement assessments by precepts, to-wit:

James W. Hudson vs. Chancey Butler, for .....	\$20 96
James W. Hudson vs. T. Sanders, for .....	29 00
James W. Hudson vs. F. A. and C. Wiley, for .....	96 20
Richter & Twiname vs. Sallie C. Haskell, for ...	24 58

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. FANNING,  
Acting City Clerk.

On motion by Alderman Wright, action on the precept of Richter & Twiname vs. Sallie C. Haskell, was postponed until the next regular meeting; and the favorable action of the Common Council on the others (see page 784, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following report from the Committee on Finance (see page 784, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon concurred in:

To the Mayor and City Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Finance respectfully report that there will be due on December 15th, \$70,000 temporary loan made one year ago, and would recommend that you authorize the Mayor and your Committee to renew said amount, on the most favorable terms they can get, and that the following resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,  
Henry L. Smith,  
Julius F. Reinecke,  
Committee on Finance.

The following resolution (see page 785, *ante*), was read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the Mayor and Committee on Finance of the Common Council be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to make a temporary loan in the name and on behalf of the city, in anticipation of the current year's revenue, for the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000), the same to be used in paying the temporary loan for the same sum, due on December 15, 1887, said proposed loan to run until December 15, 1888, at not to exceed six per cent. interest per annum. That the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to execute the proper bonds and obligations of the city for said amount; and for the payment of said bonds and obligations so to be given, the faith of the City of Indianapolis is hereby irrevocably pledged.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.



The following resolution (see page 789, *ante*), was read :

*Resolved*, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to lay water mains in and along Vermont street, from Pine street to Davidson street, and the Chief Fire Engineer is hereby directed to locate one fire hydrant on said line.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following resolutions (see page 789, *ante*), were read :

*Resolved*, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to lay water mains in and along Ash street, from Christian avenue to Home avenue, and the Chief Fire Engineer is hereby directed to locate fire hydrants on said line.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following resolution (see page 790, *ante*), was read :

WHEREAS, The Womans' Relief Corps of George H. Thomas Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, has engaged Tomlinson Hall for the evening of December 16th, for the purpose of giving an entertainment, the proceeds of which will go to its Relief Fund; and

Whereas, The aforesaid organization has become, and is now one of the practical and substantial charities of our city, giving of its means to the support of the needy families of ex-soldiers, and thereby saving much expense to the tax payers of our city, in caring for such helpless and worthy citizens; now therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the aforesaid organization be, and is hereby, granted the use of Tomlinson Hall December 16th 1887, free of rent.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The petition of E. Kitz, to station a man, horse and wagon at the Headquarters of the Fire Department, (see page 790, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon concurred in.

The petition of Sylvester Johnson, relative to the renting of Tomlinson Hall for the Prohibition National Convention (see pages 787 and 788, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon concurred in.

The following motion (see page 787, *ante*), was read and concurrently adopted :

That there be appointed a committee of three members of the Common Council and two members of the Board of Aldermen, who shall constitute a commission to devise some plan looking to the erection, at an early date, of a suitable building for city offices, city courts, Common Council, station house, &c.

The President appointed Aldermen Wright and Rail as such Committee on the part of the Board of Aldermen.

The following motions (see pages 789, 790 and 787, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted :

That the I., B. & W. R. R. Co. be instructed to re-plank their crossings on Pendleton Pike.

That the following property owners, fronting on Huron street, between Dillon street and Virginia avenue, be, and are hereby, granted permission to bowlder and curb the gutters, and widen the sidewalks to a width of thirteen (13) feet, of Huron street, in front of their property; work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer: E. E. Jackson, 40 feet; George Nessler, 40 feet; George Vondersaar, 40 feet; S. T. Blizard, 40 feet; Margaret Sipp, 40 feet; Joseph Morris, 32 feet, and Wm. H. Wishard, 40 feet.

That the Street Commissioner notify the property owners on Circle street, in front of the Mayhew Block, to at once repair the pavement, by raising the block of stone that has sunk several inches below the grade.

That the Street Commissioner notify the property holders on Washington street, between East and Liberty streets, to repair their sidewalks, where needed; and if not done in ten (10) days, that he do the same, and collect the expense of the same from the property holders.

The following entitled ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were severally read the first time :

G. O. 38, 1887—An ordinance supplemental to an ordinance entitled "An ordinance establishing certain Rules and Regulations for the government of the Public Markets of the City of Indianapolis; prescribing restrictions upon the sale of sundry articles of food in other portions of said city, and imposing fines and punishments for violations thereof;" ordained and established July 2d, 1878.

G. O. 39, 1887—An ordinance authorizing the Eagle Machine Works Company to lay a switch track across West street and sidewalks, from the main track of the I., D. & S. Railroad Company.

G. O. 40, 1887—An ordinance to repeal an ordinance entitled "An ordinance granting the Board of State House Commissioners the right to build and construct a railroad switch in and upon certain streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis;" ordained and established July 29, 1878.

G. O. 41, 1887—An ordinance requiring the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railway Company, and the Indiana, Bloomington and Western Railway Company to station and maintain a Flagman at the crossing of their tracks at Newman street, and repealing General Ordinance No. 53, 1886.

S. O. 105, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the east gutter of Cedar street, from Virginia avenue to Hosbrook street.

S. O. 4, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Agnes street, from New York street to North street.

- S. O. 19, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the roadway, and paving with brick the sidewalks of Iowa street, from Madison avenue to East street.
- S. O. 36, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing the sidewalks of New Jersey street, from Merrill street to McCarty street, and widening the sidewalks to a width of fifteen feet.
- S. O. 37, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the third alley north of McCarty street, from Alabama street to Harmon street.
- S. O. 97, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Ash street, from Cherry street to the first alley north of Massachusetts avenue.
- S. O. 126, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the roadway of Bloyd street, from Greenbrier Lane to Line street.
- S. O. 127, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Hill avenue, from Cabinet street to Orange street.
- S. O. 142, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Beaty street, from McCarty street to Buchanan street.
- S. O. 144, 1887—An ordinance to provide for re-grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks, from Virginia avenue to East street.
- S. O. 146, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Indiana avenue, from Tennessee street to Mississippi street, where not already properly done.
- S. O. 147, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Georgia street, from Noble street to Concordia street.
- S. O. 149, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters, and widening the sidewalks of Huron street, from Noble street to Virginia avenue.

On motion by Alderman Wright, S. O's. 19, 144 and 149, 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, were referred to the City Civil Engineer, with instructions to report thereon at the next regular meeting.

On motion by Alderman Rail, S. O. 36, 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, was referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage.

On motion by Alderman Wright, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing G. O. 38, 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, on its final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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



G. O. 38, 1887—An ordinance supplemental to an ordinance entitled "An ordinance establishing certain Rules and Regulations for the government of the Public Markets of the City of Indianapolis; prescribing restrictions upon the sale of sundry articles of food in other portions of the city, and imposing fines and punishments for violations thereof;" ordained and established July 2d, 1878.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

#### REPORTS. ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, with the City Attorney, to whom was referred the resolution adopted by the Common Council providing for the reference to the Board of City Commissioners of the matter of vacating the *first* alley south of Eighth street, extending from Meridian street to Illinois street, as petitioned for by G. R. Root and others, would report that we recommend that the action of the Council be concurred in, and the said resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted, Lorenz Schmidt,  
Wm. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney. John Rail,

Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage.

The following resolution (see page 707, *ante*), was then read :

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the petition of G. R. Root and others, praying for the vacation of the first alley south of Eighth street, and extending from Meridian to Illinois streets, being in Wm. H. Morrison's First Addition to the City of Indianapolis, be referred to the Board of City Commissioners, together with the accompanying plat, with instructions to assess benefits and damages caused by such vacation, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; the said Board to return all petitions and notices. The City Clerk is hereby required to issue, and the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police Force to serve, the proper notices upon said Board; and the petitioners are hereby required to serve the proper notices upon the property owners, and show by affidavit due service of such notices: *Provided,* That before the Clerk shall issue the said notices to the said Board, a bond shall be filed with said Clerk, to the approval of the Mayor, guaranteeing the payment of all costs and charges in this matter.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

#### INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion by Alderman Rail, the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Water & Public Health, at the last meeting, (see page 772, *ante*), was recalled from the Committee :

*Resolved*, That the Chief of the Fire Department and the Committee on Fire be, and are hereby, directed to locate a fire cistern at or near the corner of Deloss and Reid streets, and that the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to advertise for the building of a 2000-barrel cistern at the above location.

And the resolution was then concurrently adopted, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

**NAYS**—None.

On motion by Alderman Wright, the action of the Board of Aldermen by which the following report was concurred in at the last meeting, (see page 772, *ante*), was reconsidered:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen*:—Your Committee on Railroads, with the City Attorney and City Civil Engineer, to whom was referred G. O. 34, 1887, and the proposition of V. T. Malott, Vice President of the Union Railway Company, to pay into the treasury the amount of benefits assessed against said company on account of the opening of the viaduct street, if the city would assume the payment of all additional sums that might be recovered in the four appealed cases of George R. Root, Wm. Dell, Frank M. Dell and Peter F. Bryce, report that we do not think it advisable for the city to assume said liability, and recommend that the same be not accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

John R. Pearson,  
Cornelius McGroarty,  
Charles E. Haugh,  
Committee on Railroads.

And the report was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Ordinances.

#### REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and the favorable action of the Common Council on the claim, was concurrently adopted:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen*:—I have examined the claim of Henry Reinsfeld, for \$16.60 against the city on account of the re-improvement of East street in front of his property, and I recommend that the action of the Council be concurred in.

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: SAM. V. PERROTT, Clerk.