

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL

SPECIAL SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Wednesday July 2, 1873, 7½ o'clock, P. M. }

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—Dr. J. H. Woodburn, in the Chair, and the following members :

Councilmen Adams, Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twine and Ward—21.

Absent—Councilmen Batty, Craft, Darnell, McLaughlin and Pendleton—5.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

General Ordinance No. 40, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to establish a Bureau of Sanitary Inspection.

Was read the second time and referred to the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, with the City Attorney, to be made a special order of business for Monday evening, July 14, 1873.

General Ordinance No. 31, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance relative to the allowance and payment of claims.

Was read the second time.

Mr. Gibson offered the following amendment :

That any officer or employe of the city whose duty it may be to make purchases for the city, shall make requisitions for any and all such articles, and no purchases shall be made in any other way, and the seller shall present such requisition with an itemized bill.

On motion, the ordinance and amendment were referred to the Committee on Revision of Ordinances and City Attorney, and made a special order of business for Monday evening, July 14, 1873.

General Ordinance No. 23, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to prevent the running at large of cattle in the city of Indianapolis, and providing for the impounding such animals.

Was read the second time, and laid over for one week, on a call for the main, question, which was not ordered.

General Ordinance No. 15, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance declaring it unlawful to keep hogs or swine in pens, stables, styes or barns in the city of Indianapolis, and prescribing penalties therefor.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 54, 1870, entitled :

An Ordinance to prevent loitering on the sidewalks, street corners, or near the mouths of alleys, in the city of Indianapolis.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 31, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to repeal an ordinance in relation to hacks, express wagons, and drays.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 47, 1872, entitled :

An Ordinance to provide for the extension of the water mains on North Pennsylvania street, from the present northern terminus to Home avenue.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 60, 1872, entitled :

An Ordinance appropriating ground for the widening of Rockwood street, through out-lots 92 and 93, in said city, and appropriating money to pay the damages occasioned thereby.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 62, 1872, entitled :

An Ordinance to prevent fast driving on Delaware street bridge.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 65, 1872, entitled :

An Ordinance to prevent the running at large of certain animals within the limits of the city, during certain hours.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

General Ordinance No. 20, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance for constructing a public sewer in Washington street, between the west side of Illinois street and Pogue's run.

Was taken up and postponed until the first meeting in August, 1873.

General Ordinance No. 41, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance authorizing butchers of meat to construct substantial houses for slaughtering animals, and rendering up tallow and lard, at some point on either side of White river, between the south corporation line and the mouth of Eagle creek, or a point opposite thereto.

Was read the second time.

When Mr. Shepherd offered the following amendment :

Provided, That no offal be allowed to be thrown in White River, more than the blood and rinse water.

Mr. Brown presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned butchers of the city would respectfully petition for the privilege of erecting permanent slaughter houses for slaughtering and dressing fresh meat for the city market, on any eligible grounds on White River, below the present corporation limits : such houses to be erected sufficiently near to running water to discharge any offal into the same, and to be constructed with stone floors in such manner as to prevent the grounds from becoming saturated with blood or other offal, and thus prevent the accumulation of any thing that could create a nuisance. We make this request because we do not deem the vicinity of such establishments as are to be erected on the Sellers' farm suitable locations for preparing cut meats for our markets, and at the same time, desire to remove any just cause of complaint on the part of the citizens on account of the manner in which city slaughtering is now carried on.

CHARLES KUHN,
G. SINDLINGER,
N. J. HUNT & CO.,

And 14 others.

On motion, the whole matter was laid over until the first meeting in August, 1873.

General Ordinance No. 42, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to amend Section 6 of the license ordinance.

Was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Revision of Ordinances.

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

General Ordinance No. 25, 1871.

General Ordinance No. 76, 1872.

General Ordinance No. 32, 1873.

General Ordinance No. 33, 1873.

General Ordinance No. 39, 1873.

By consent, Mr. Kahn, from the Committee on Contracts submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Contracts to whom was referred a motion that a superintendent should be appointed on North Tennessee street, to superintend the laying down of the block pavement, would respectfully report that two petitions were presented to your Committee recommending two person, both capable and efficient men. Your Committee is therefore unable to decide which man to recommend, and would suggest that the Councilmen from said ward make a motion to appoint one of the men recommended in the petition.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN,
M. C. ANDERSON,
Com. on Contracts.

Which was received.

The names of Messrs. I. N. Aldrich and John Wells, were then placed in nomination.

The Chair appointed Councilmen Kahn and Hardesty as tellers.

A ballot was then had with the following result:

I. N. Aldrich received 10 votes.

John Wells received 11 votes.

Mr. Wells was declared duly elected as such Inspector.

Mr. Pressly offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to accept the bond of Perry Bly, for lighting the gas lamps of the city; providing said bond is good, and that Mr. Bly be instructed to at once proceed to perform the duties assigned to him.

Mr. Gibson offered the following amendment:

Moved, To amend that Bly's bond be rejected; that the Clerk be directed to readvertise; that the Gas Company be requested to light the lamps for one month.

Which amendment was adopted.

The motion as amended was then adopted.

On motion by Mr. Gibson, all bids heretofore presented for the lighting of public lamps were rejected.

Special Ordinance No. 175, 1872, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and gravel Sullivan street and sidewalks, between McCarty and Buchanan streets,

Was taken up and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special Ordinance No. 44, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and bowlder the first alley south of Pogue's run, running from New Jersey street to East street,

Was read the second time, when, on motion by Mr. Pressly, the ordinance was amended by striking out all that pertains to bowldering, and inserting in lieu thereof, "that the alley be graveled with good river gravel, to the depth of ten inches.

The ordinance as amended was then ordered engrossed.

Special Ordinance No. 99, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade, gravel, curb and bowlder the gutters on South street, from the east side of Illinois street to thirty feet east of the J., M. & I. Railway's tracks.

Was read the second time, when Mr. Brown offered the following amendment:

"That one-half of the cost for grading and graveled said street be paid for out of the City Treasury."

Mr. Adams moved to lay Mr. Brown's amendment on the table.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative— Councilmen Adams, Bigham, Gibson, Kahn, Peck, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—12.

Negative—Councilmen Anderson, Bollman, Brown, Gimber, Hardesty, Kennington, Pressly, Reagan and Stratford—9.

Mr. Brown moved to strike the ordinance from the files.

Which motion was not adopted.

On motion by Mr. Pressly, the ordinance was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Special Ordinance No. 125, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and bowlder the first alley north of Louisiana street, from East street to New Jersey street,

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

Special Ordinance No. 128, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and bowlder the first alley north of Virginia avenue, running from Pine street to Cedar street,

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

Special Ordinance No. 153, 1873, entitled:

An Ordinance to grade and gravel English avenue and sidewalks, from Dillon street to the corporation line east,

Was read the second time, when Mr. Pressly moved to amend the ordinance by adding to the end of the second section these words: "Said work to be completed within ninety days from the date of the approval of the bond."

Which amendment was adopted.

The ordinance as amended was then ordered engrossed.

Special Ordinance No. 157, 1873, entitled:

An Ordinance to grade and pave with wooden block pavement, New Jersey street, from Washington street to Massachusetts avenue.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

Special Ordinance No. 170, 1873, entitled:

An Ordinance to grade and gravel Fifth street and sidewalks, from the west side of Illinois street to the Central canal,

Was read the second time, when Dr. Woodburn offered the following amendment:

Moved, That the ordinance for grading and graveling Fifth street and sidewalks be amended to read as follows, to-wit: From the west side of Illinois street to the west end of lot 6, in square 25, in Drake's addition to the city of Indianapolis, instead of the Central Canal.

Which was adopted.

The ordinance as amended was then ordered engrossed.

Special Ordinance No. 176, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to grade and bowlder the gutter on the east side of Madison avenue, between South street and the south side of Garden street.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

By consent Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

Moved, That Mrs. A. G. Craft have permission to pave the sidewalk in front of her property, on the west side of Tennessee street, between Pratt and First streets, to be done within sixty days, and to the satisfaction of the Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

By consent, Mr. Bollman offered the following motion :

Moved, That Esq. Secrest be allowed the privilege to pave with brick and curb with stone, the sidewalks in front of his property on Alabama street, the same to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

By consent, Mr. Kahn offered the following motion :

Moved, That that part of the report of the Committee on Contracts which refers to the awarding of a contract to Patterson & Dunning, for the improvement of the alley in out-lot No. 16, be and is hereby reconsidered.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bollman presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Bicking street, between High street and Delaware street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of said street, now on the files and pending before your honorable body. Said improvement at this time is opposed by a large majority of the property-holders on that part of said street, and we desire that it be postponed until next year.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

JAMES FRANK,
WM. A. KETCHAM,
IGNATIUS BROWN,
And 6 others.

Which was received.

Mr. Adams presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your petitioners would respectfully represent to your honorable body that they are desirous of obtaining permission to occupy twenty feet off the east side of the alley between Pratt and St. Joseph streets, for a distance of forty feet north from Pratt street, for the use of their tabernacle while they are building a chapel on their ground ; that the owners of all the real estate fronting on said alley between said streets, have consented thereto, and unite in said petition. They therefore petition your honorable body for such permission.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

DAVID KREGELow,
JOS. R. HAUGH,
JOHN M. BUTLER,
WM. A. BRADSHAW,
Trustees 4th Pres. Church.

By John L. Ketcham and Victor Hendricks, Com'rs.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the alley running north and south through out-lot 171, in the city of Indianapolis, between Pratt and St. Joseph streets, hereby consent that the Fourth Presbyterian Church shall have the privilege of occupying twenty feet in width in the rear of their lot for building purposes, and hereby petition your honorable body to grant them that privilege.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

SAMUEL ADAMS,
SARAH REEVES,
E. H. FERGUSON,
SAMUEL HANWAY,
And 3 others.

Which were received, and prayer of petitioners granted.

The following ordinances were read the second time, and ordered engrossed :

Special Ordinance No. 38, 1873.

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General Ordinance No. 38, 1873.

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

General Ordinance No. 38, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to appropriate money for the purchase of that portion of the Indianapolis and Fall Creek Gravel Road lying within the corporate limits of the city of Indianapolis.

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Anderson, Bigham, Brown, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Thalman, Twiname and Ward—14.

Negative—Councilmen Bollman, Gimber, Hardesty, Shepherd, Stratford and Woodburn—6.

General Ordinance No. 38, 1873, entitled :

An Ordinance to repeal part of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance heretofore passed in relation to slaughter houses," passed March 4, 1872, and to repeal an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance to prohibit the erection and operation of slaughter houses within certain limits," passed May 5, 1873.

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

Affirmative — Councilmen Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Shepherd, Stratford and Ward—14.

Negative — Councilmen Adams, Gibson, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Twiname and Woodburn—7.

General Ordinance No. 28, 1873, entitled:

An Ordinance defining an unlawful assembly, and prescribing punishment.

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—21.

Negative—None.

On motion the Council adjourned.

J. H. WOODBURN,

President pro tem.

ATTEST:

JOHN R. CLINTON,

City Clerk.