

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

CALLED IN SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, }
Wednesday, March 27th, 7½ o'clock P. M. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met, as above, pursuant to the following call:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, *Indianapolis*, March 25, 1878.

To the Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—You are requested to meet in special session, in the Council Chamber, on Wednesday evening, March 27th, 1878, at 7½ P. M., to consider an ordinance entitled "An ordinance ratifying and confirming the contracts heretofore entered into between the City of Indianapolis and the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis Railway Company and the Indianapolis, Peru & Chicago Railway Company, and empowering said companies to carry out the provisions of the same, and for other purposes," and also to transact such other business as may be brought before you.

Respectfully,

J. CAVEN, Mayor.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, John Caven, in the chair, and the following members: Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty,

Pouder, Reading, Reed, Sindlinger, Stoner, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—23.

Absent—Councilmen Steinhauer and Watts—2.

The select committee which had been appointed at a meeting of members of the Common Council and other citizens, convened after the adjournment of the called session of this body on Friday evening last, the 22d instant, submitted the following report; which, on motion, was formally received:

Indianapolis, March 27, 1878.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, a committee appointed to investigate the railroad ordinance, would report that we have carefully examined the same, and are of the opinion that section 6 should be amended so as to provide that the Indianapolis, Peru & Chicago Railroad should be allowed to use no more than fifteen feet on the west side of Macy street with their track, above Malott avenue, and that the amendments passed by the Board of Aldermen be concurred in.

We would, therefore, recommend that the same be amended as above set forth, and that the same be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BUGBEE,
N. S. BYRAM,
JAMES T. LAYMAN,
Committee.

The following section, which had been duly adopted by the Board of Aldermen at its regular session, held March 19th, as a substitute for section six of general ordinance No. 4, 1878 [printed on page 786, *ante*], was read:

SEC. 6. The Indianapolis, Peru & Chicago Railway Company is hereby granted the right to locate, construct, and maintain its tracks and switches from the north side of Seventh street, south, along and upon the west side of the street sometimes called Macy and sometimes called Alvord street, to the north side of Malott avenue; and the right to locate, construct, and maintain its main track on a strip of ground thirteen feet in width, on and along the extreme west side of Macy street, from the north side of Malott avenue, south, and across Massachusetts avenue, at a convenient point to connect with its tracks south of that street.

Councilman Byram then offered the following as a substitute for section six of the original ordinance and also for the substituted section adopted by the Board of Aldermen, as given above :

SEC. 6. The Indianapolis, Peru & Chicago Railroad Company is hereby granted the right to locate, construct, and maintain its tracks, on a strip of ground not to exceed fifteen feet in width, on the extreme west side of Macy or Alvord street, from Seventh street, south, to the north side of Malott avenue; and, from thence, on a strip, thirteen feet in width, along the extreme west side of said Alvord street to Massachusetts avenue, and across said avenue at a convenient point, to connect with its tracks south of said avenue.

On Councilman Byram's motion, the Council non-concurred in the Aldermanic amendatory action, and adopted the substitute-section last above given.

The following section, which had been duly adopted by the Board of Aldermen [see Aldermanic Proceedings, page 363], was then read :

SEC. 9. The said sum of \$15,000, to be paid to said Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis Railway Company, shall be paid in three annual installments of \$5,000 each, bearing six per cent. interest, and payable in one, two, and three years from the completion of said contract by said railway companies.

On Councilman Byram's motion, the action of the Board of Aldermen, in adopting the above new section, and in changing the number of original "section 9" to "section 10," was duly concurred in.

General ordinance No. 4, 1878, amended as above, and entitled

G. O. 4, 1878—An ordinance ratifying and confirming the Contracts heretofore entered into between The City of Indianapolis and The Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railway Company and The Indianapolis, Peru and Chicago Railway Company, and empowering said Companies to carry out the provisions of the same, and for other purposes ;

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Pouder,

Reading, Reed, Sindlinger, Stoner, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—23.

Negative—None.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor.

Attest :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.