

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
 January 18, 1892. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, January 18, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present, Hon. Martin J. Murphy, President in the chair. Seventeen members, viz.: Messrs. Colter, Costello, Holloran, Gasper, Laut, Linn, McGill, McGuffin, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader, White and Young.

Absent, Messrs. Allen, Cooper and Gauss.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session held Thursday, January 7, 1892, having been printed and placed upon the desks of the Councilmen, said Journal was approved as published.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon, Councilman Rassmann moved that the further reading of the Journal be dispensed with. Which motion prevailed.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Ryan, on behalf of the Committee on Contracts and Franchises, asked for further time to report. Which was granted.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following entitled ordinances were introduced:

By Mr. Olsen:

G. O. No. 2, 1892. An ordinance establishing stands for certain vehicles, the use of same, and repealing ordinance and parts of ordinances in conflict therewith and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Read a first time, and referred to the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

By Mr. White:

G. O. No. 3, 1892. An ordinance to repeal an ordinance disannexing certain territory herein described, forming part of the corporate limits of the City of Indianapolis, passed over the veto of the Mayor, December 31, 1891, the same being known as General Ordinance No. 50 of 1891.

Read a first time and referred to the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

By Mr. McGill:

G. O. No. 4, 1892. An ordinance annexing certain territory constituting and forming a part of Indianapolis, Ind.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

By Mr. McGill:

G. O. No. 5, 1892. An ordinance requiring the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Company to place and maintain a flagman at the crossing of the tracks of the said Company at Phipps Street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Railroads.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Rassmann offered and moved the adoption of the following motion:

Moved by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That the President make arrangements with the Board of Public Safety for a Sergeant at Arms for this body.

The question being on the adoption of the motion, the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 17, viz.: Councilmen Colter, Costello, Gasper, Holloran, Laut, Linn, McGill, McGuffin, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader, White, Young and President Murphy.

NOES, none.

Mr. Young offered the following resolution:

Resolution No. 1, 1892. WHEREAS, The question of the adoption of more equitable rules and prices by the Indianapolis Water Company, for the benefit of private consumers should be considered by this Council; and,

WHEREAS, The rapid growth of the City and the consequent erection of houses on smaller lots and in closer proximity, make it necessary that the use of better water than that which comes from our surface wells should be encouraged to the end that the public health may be preserved; and

WHEREAS, There are many complaints by those who use the company's water, on account of the rules promulgated by said company, and still more complaints by those who do not use the same for the reason that they are unable to pay the prices charged; and

WHEREAS, There is doubt as to just what powers the Council has under the terms of the company's charter, and the present city charter; therefore,

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and is hereby instructed to make a thorough and complete investigation of the terms of the said Indianapolis Water Company's charter and subsequent legislation relating thereto, and also the terms of the present city charter bearing on the same subject and define the rights and powers of the Council in the premises, and report at the next regular meeting.

Which was referred to Committee on Contracts and Franchises.

On motion of Mr. Gasper, the Council, at 9 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

ATTEST:

RANDALL J. ABRAMS,

City Clerk.

MARVIN J. MURPHY,

President.