

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

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ADJOURNED SESSION.

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CHAMBER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF  
THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
*Wednesday, July 6th, 1877—8 o'clock P. M.* }

The Board of Aldermen met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

His Honor, the President, H. C. Newcomb, in the chair, and the following members: Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, and Wiles—10.

Absent—None.

The proceedings of the adjourned session, held June 27th, 1877, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, the reading of the same was dispensed with.

## CALL OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Tunnels, through Alderman Krug, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

*Indianapolis, July 6, 1877.*

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen*:—Your committee, to whom was referred the motion relative to advertising for bids for lighting Military Park and the Illinois street tunnel, would report as follows:

The Common Council and Board of Aldermen having had concurrent action regarding the lighting of Military Park and the tunnel, we recommend that the motion be not passed.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. KRUG,  
H. COBURN,  
W. H. SNIDER,  
Committee on Tunnels.

## MESSAGES FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was received:

*Indianapolis, July 6, 1877.*

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen*:—At a regular session of the Common Council, held July 2d, 1877, concurrent action was had on the following papers, transmitted from your honorable body:

On the amendments to draft of Sellers Farm lease, as suggested in the report of your committee on Sellers Farm [see page 96, *post*], and in motion offered by Alderman Stratford [see page 106, *post*].

On the amendments proposed to Councilman Reed's motion relative to city advertising [see page 99, *post*]; to Councilman Izor's motion on the subject of improving the south sidewalk of Michigan street, from Noble street, east, to the I., P. & C. R. R. tracks [see page 103, *post*]; and Alderman Stratford's amendment to Council motion, whereby the Street

Commissioner is directed to "notify *all* property owners, whose sidewalks need repairing, to repair same forthwith [see page 104, *post*].

Your motion, granting Alfred Likens an auctioneer's license [see page 97, *post*].

Respectfully,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT,  
City Clerk.

Also, the following message; which was received:

*Indianapolis, July 6, 1877.*

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen*:—I herewith transmit certain papers, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its last regular session, held July 2d, 1877, for your action upon same.

Respectfully,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT,  
City Clerk.

PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL—ACTION UPON.

Report from City Civil Engineer, covering contract and bond of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and graveling California street and sidewalks, from Washington street to Maryland street; also, contract and bond of John Schier, for grading and paving the west sidewalk on Mississippi street, between Tinker and Herbert streets [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 189], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in receiving said report and severally approving the bonds, was concurred in.

Report from City Clerk, submitting an itemized statement of orders issued on the City Treasurer, from June 1st to June 30th, 1877, inclusive [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 190], was read, and duly received.

Report from City Treasurer, showing receipts and disbursements during the month of June, 1877 [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 191], was read, and duly received.

Report from same officer, giving details of the sale of the "Time-Warrants of 1877 [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 192], was read, and duly received.

Report from Street Commissioner, showing work done by, and expenditures on account of, his Department, from May 15th to July 2d [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 193], was read, and then, on motion, was referred to the Aldermanic Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Report of expenditures on account of City Hospital and Branch for the month ending June 30, 1877 [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 195], was read, and duly received.

Report from Council Committee on Contracts, awarding the following contracts: To James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley west of (Japan or) East street, from Yeizer street to the first alley north of Yeizer street; also, to James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley north of English avenue, between Cedar and Dillon streets; also, to John W. Richardson, for grading and graveling Carlos street and sidewalks, from Ray to Morris street [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 188], was read, and, on motion, the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said report and in awarding the several contracts, was approved.

Report from Council Committee on Streets and Alleys, that satisfactory arrangements would soon be made for laying out and opening an alley running north from St. Clair street, between East

street and Park avenue, to intersect the west end of Arch street [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 204], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said report, was duly approved.

Report from same committee, (1) recommending that petition of Andrew Wallace and others, with regard to re-improving three squares of N. Delaware street at expense of city, be not granted; (2) instructing Street Commissioner to repair Christian avenue, between College avenue and Ash street; and (3) instructing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes on South street, between East and Noble streets [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 204], was read, and duly approved.

Report of Council Committee on Judiciary, in relation to claims of John Greene and W. H. Brown, and petition of J. George Stilz and others [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 206], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said report, was duly approved.

Report from a Committee, consisting of the Council Committee on Water Works, the Fire Board, and City Attorney, relative to connecting the drinking-fountains with water-plugs [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 207], was read, and the action of Common Council, in concurring in said report, was duly approved.

Report from a committee consisting of Fire Board and City Attorney, relative to a new and leaky fire-cistern at the corner of Dakota and Morris streets, and draft of notice to be served on Wm. L. White as to repairs on same [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 210], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said report and in ordering service of accompanying notice, was duly approved.

Report from Board of Police, accompanied by a communication from His Honor, the Mayor, on the subject of transferring female prisoners from the Station House to the "House of the Good Shepherd," and the verbal motion instructing the City Attorney to draft a one year contract in accordance with proposals set forth in the Mayor's communication [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 208], was read, and the action of the Common Council in concurring in said report and in awarding the contract, was duly approved, by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

Motion, granting W. H. Craft, at No. 24 E. Washington street, an auctioneer's license [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 202], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, instructing the City Marshal to notify the Street Railway Company to repair between their tracks on Fort Wayne and Central avenues, between New Jersey street and Christian avenue [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 202], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to instruct the City Civil Engineer to advertise for double gates for north and south entrances of Illinois street tunnel [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 203], was read, and, on motion of Alderman Stratford, was referred to Aldermanic Committee on Tunnels.

Motion, to instruct City Clerk to advertise Southern Park for lease for a term of five years [see Proceedings of Common Council, page 204], was read, and, on motion of Alderman Stratford, was referred to Aldermanic Committee on Parks.

Appropriation ordinance No. 47, 1877, entitled

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department, for the month of June, 1877,

Was then taken up, read the first, second, and third times, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 48, 1877, entitled

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of City Hospital and Branch, for the month of June, 1877,

Was taken up, read the first, second, and third times, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 49, 1877, entitled

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station Houses, for the month of June, 1877,

Was taken up, read the first, second, and third times, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 50, 1877, entitled

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, for the month of June, 1877,

Was taken up, and read the first and second times.

On motion of Alderman Stratford, the claim of Fulton & Vance, for re-roofing and repairing the East Market House, was stricken from above ordinance, and referred to the Aldermanic Committee on Markets.

Appropriation ordinance No. 50, 1877, was then read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

Appropriation ordinance No. 51, 1877, entitled

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery, and Advertising,

Was taken up, read the first, second, and third times, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

By consent, Alderman Stratford offered the following resolution ; and the same was amended, on motion of Alderman Wiles, by placing the street, alley, and gutter cleaning “ under the direction of the Board of Health ” :

*Resolved*, In view of the approaching hot season and the danger of epidemics likely to result from the accumulation of filth and decomposition of animal and vegetable matters in the streets, alleys, and gutters, that we recommend the Council to immediately order all streets and gutters to be cleaned as rapidly as possible, under the direction of the Board of Health ; also, to instruct the Marshal to notify all persons who allow waste water to run into gutters, to provide proper sinks to receive the water, within a reasonable time, or to discontinue the flow of water into the gutters.

The resolution was then adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, Wiles, and President Newcomb—10.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution ; which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this body that the Common Council require the Street Commissioner to report the names of all persons to whom he has sold dirt or other refuse material belonging to the city, the amount received from each person, and the amount due and unpaid by each of such persons.

On motion of Alderman Wallace, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned until Friday, July 11th, 1877, at 8 o'clock P. M.

H. C. NEWCOMB, President.

Attest:

GEO. T. BREUNIG,

Clerk of Board of Aldermen.