

## REGULAR MEETING.

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

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

Present, Hon. Emil C. Rassman, President *pro tem.* of Common Council, in the Chair, and 14 members, viz.: Messrs. Allen, Cooper, Costello, Gasper, Gauss, Laut, Linn, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader and White.

Absent 7—viz.: Messrs. Holloran, McGill, McGuffin, Sherer, Young and President Murphy.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Common Council for the regular session held Monday, July 18, 1892, whereupon Councilman Rassmann moved that the further reading of the Journal be dispensed with.

Which motion prevailed.

## COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
 CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
 INDIANAPOLIS, July 18, 1892. }

To the Members of the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I have approved General Ordinances Nos. 22, 25 and 26; also Resolutions Nos. 3 and 4, passed at your session held June 6, 1892.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. SULLIVAN,  
 Mayor.

Which was received and ordered spread on the minutes.

## REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

Communication from City Comptroller :

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
 OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,  
 INDIANAPOLIS, July 7, 1892. }

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully recommend that you order the transfers of the following sums from the accounts named to those also named :

From the account of cisterns to that of sewers, one thousand dollars. From the account of Incidental Expenses of the Board of Public Works to that of City Hall, three hundred dollars.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM WESLEY WOOLLEN,  
 City Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

## REPORTS OF OFFICIAL BOARD.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
OFFICE OF THE BOARD,  
INDIANAPOLIS, July 18, 1892. }

*To the Honorable, the President and Members of the Common Council,  
City of Indianapolis :*

GENTLEMEN—We herewith transmit to you "An ordinance approving a certain contract, granting the Indianapolis Light and Power Company the right to lay and maintain a switch or side-track across the intersection of Kentucky Avenue and Missouri Street, and along and upon the south side of Louisiana Street, from the west property line of Kentucky Avenue to a point 109 feet east of the east line of West Street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana," for consideration and action thereon.

Very respectfully,

A. W. CONDUITT,  
A. SCHERRER,  
M. M. DEFREES,  
*Board of Public Works.*

Which was received and ordered spread on the minutes.

## REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Rassmann, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the following :

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,  
INDIANAPOLIS, April 27, 1892. }

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

GENTLEMEN—On the 15th of last December I sent a communication to the late Council, in the following words: "The County Auditor, of Marion County, has filed a bill against the city for \$8,873.90, the city's portion of the cost of assessing her property for 1890. I find, by examining the records in the office of the City Clerk, that the city is one year behind in paying the cost of assessing her property, and has been since 1887. On the 28th of last April the city paid the county \$8,217.59, which was allowed by the Council, December 8, 1890. At the commencement of the present fiscal year I asked for an appropriation of \$2,500—the amount fixed by law—to pay for the assessing the property of 1891, which was granted. But the cost of assessing for 1890 is unprovided for. I therefore recommend that your honorable body appropriate \$8,873.90 to the Department of Finance to enable it to pay the bill named above."

I respectfully call your attention to the above communication. The late Council took no action of it after it was received.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM WESLEY WOOLLEN,  
*City Comptroller.*

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
INDIANAPOLIS, ———, 1892. }

To *W. W. Woollen, City Comptroller* :

DEAR SIR—The Board of Public Health would request an additional appropriation of \$2,000 for hospital repairs, of which the following is an estimate :

Painting and carpenter work . . . . .	\$1,000
Bath tubs . . . . .	300
Ventilators . . . . .	100
Fence . . . . .	600
Total . . . . .	<u>\$2,000</u>

Respectfully,  
FRANK A. MORRISON,  
GEORGE J. COOK,  
ALLISON MAXWELL.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,  
INDIANAPOLIS, May 28, 1892. }

To the *Honorable, the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis* :

GENTLEMEN—I beg to call your attention to a letter handed you herewith from the Board of Public Health and Charities, asking for an appropriation of \$2,000 for the purpose of enabling them to make repairs on the City Hospital building and grounds. I respectfully recommend that said appropriation be made.

Very respectfully,  
WILLIAM WESLEY WOOLEN,  
*City Comptroller.*

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
OFFICE OF THE BOARD,  
INDIANAPOLIS, June 1, 1892. }

*W. W. Woollen, Esq., City Comptroller, City of Indianapolis* :

DEAR SIR—We find it necessary to replace street signs in the streets of the City of Indianapolis, which will require the placing of about 5,000 signs, the cost of which will be \$1,800. This will put signs at the intersection of all streets in the city.

We respectfully request that you procure, for us, from the Common Council, an appropriation in the sum of \$1,800; the same to be used for the purpose above named.

Very respectfully,  
A. W. CONDUITT,  
A. SCHERRER,  
M. M. DEFREES,  
*Board of Public Works.*

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,  
INDIANAPOLIS, June 2, 1892. }

To the *Honorable, the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis* :

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully call your attention to the accompanying letter from the Board of Public Works to me asking for an appropriation of \$1,800 for the purpose of placing signs upon the corners of streets. I recommend that the appropriation be made.

Respectfully,  
WILLIAM WESLEY WOOLEN,  
*City Comptroller.*

Made the following reports :

*Mr. President :*

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the several recommendations of the City Comptroller, viz.:

*First.* The recommendation for an appropriation of \$8,873.90, with which to pay Marion County for assessing the real and personal property for the year 1887.

*Second.* The recommendation for an appropriation of \$1,800 for street signs.

*Third.* The recommendation for an appropriation of \$2,000 for City Hospital repairs.

Beg leave to report that we have considered the several items above and recommend that the several sums be appropriated.

Respectfully submitted,

EMIL C. RASSMANN,  
P. J. RYAN,  
J. L. GASPER,  
JAS. H. COSTELLO,  
W. H. COOPER,  
H. W. LAUT.

*Mr. President :*

Your committee, to whom was referred the communication recommending the transfer of certain sums of money from one fund to another, in order that the money may be put in use and not lay in funds which are not called upon during the present fiscal year, do respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

EMIL C. RASSMANN,  
P. J. RYAN,  
H. W. LAUT,  
J. L. GASPER,  
W. H. COOPER,  
J. R. ALLEN,  
JAS. H. COSTELLO.

Which were concurred in.

Mr. White, on behalf of the Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred G. O. No. 27, 1892, "An ordinance providing for the licensing and regulation of riding galleries, flying Dutchmen or merry-go-rounds, or other similar devices," made the following report :

JULY 18, 1892.

*Mr. President :*

Your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred G. O. No. 27, 1892, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend that section 2 of said ordinance be so amended as to make the license fee fifteen dollars instead of twenty-five dollars, and when so amended that the ordinance do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WHITE,  
C. A. GAUSS,  
THOS. B. LINN.

Which was read and concurred in.



## APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

The City Comptroller, through Councilman Rassmann, introduced the following Appropriation Ordinance :

Appropriation Ordinance No. 5, 1892. An ordinance appropriating twelve thousand six hundred and seventy-three dollars and ninety cents (\$12,673.90) for the needs of certain departments of the City of Indianapolis.

Read first time.

Mr. Ryan moved that the constitutional rules be suspended for the purpose of placing Appropriation Ordinance No. 5, 1892, on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote :

AYES 14—viz. : Councilmen Allen, Cooper, Costello, Gasper, Gauss, Laut, Linn, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader and White.

NAYS—None.

Thereupon Appropriation Ordinance No. 5, 1892, was read second time; ordered engrossed; read third time and passed by the following vote :

AYES 14—viz. : Councilmen Allen, Cooper, Costello Gasper, Gauss, Laut, Linn, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader and White.

NAYS—None.

The City Comptroller, through Councilman Rassmann, introduced the following Appropriation Ordinance :

Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1892. An ordinance entitled: An ordinance authorizing the City Comptroller and the Board of Public Works of the City of Indianapolis to transfer the sum of one thousand dollars from the account of cisterns to the accounts of sewers, and the sum of three hundred dollars from the accounts of incidental expenses of the Board of Public Works to the account of City Hall.

Read first time.

Mr. Ryan moved that the constitutional rules be suspended for the purpose of placing Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1892, on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote :

AYES 14—viz. : Councilmen Allen, Cooper, Costello, Gasper, Gauss, Laut, Linn, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader and White.

NAYS—None.

Thereupon Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1892, was read second time; ordered engrossed; read third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES 14—viz.: Councilmen Allen, Cooper, Costello, Gasper, Gauss, Laut, Linn, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader and White.

NAYS—None.

#### INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

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

By Board of Public Works:

G. O. No. 28, 1892. An ordinance approving a certain contract, granting the Indianapolis Light and Power Company the right to lay and maintain a switch or side track across the intersection of Kentucky Avenue and Missouri Street, and along and upon the south side of Louisiana Street, from the west property line of Kentucky Avenue to a point 109 feet east of the east line of West Street, in the city of Indianapolis.

Mr. Gauss offered the following motion:

Moved, that the contract for the switch for the Indianapolis Light and Power Company be referred back to the Board of Public Works, with the request that the contract be drawn so the switch will start at the west side of Missouri and Louisiana instead of the east side of Missouri.

C. A. GAUSS.

Which motion was adopted.

#### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

On motion by Councilman Ryan, the following entitled ordinance was taken up; read second time:

G. O. No. 27, 1892. An ordinance providing for the licensing of merry-go-rounds, etc.

Mr. White offered the following amendment to G. O. No. 27, 1892:

I move to amend section 2, line 2, by striking out the word 25 and inserting in lieu thereof the word 15.

WHITE.

Which motion was adopted.

Mr. Ryan moved that G. O. No. 27, 1892, be ordered engrossed, read third time and placed on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted.

The question being on the passage of G. O. No. 27, 1892.

Which was passed by the following vote :

AYES 14—viz.: Councilmen Allen, Cooper, Costello, Gasper, Gauss, Laut, Linn, Olsen, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schmidt, Schrader and White.

NAYS—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Laut offered the following motion :

Moved that the City Civil Engineer be instructed to request the contractors having the contract on South Street, between Noble and East Streets, to finish setting curbing and make crossings safe.

LAUT.

Which motion was adopted

Mr. White offered the following motion :

WHEREAS, The Common Council on March 16, 1891, passed an ordinance directing, authorizing and empowering the City Attorney to employ such assistance, at the expense of the city, as may be necessary to make a complete revision and codification of all the ordinances of the city of Indianapolis in force at that time, and no report having ever been made as to the progress of this work, or the estimated cost of the same; I, therefore,

Move, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to make an immediate and proper examination into this matter, and report to the Common Council the condition of said work at this time, together with all other facts relating thereto, said report to be presented at the next regular meeting of this body.

WHITE.

Which was adopted and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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

ATTEST :

*M. J. Murphy*

President.

*R. J. Evans*

City Clerk.