

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—JULY 20, 1891.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, on Monday evening, July 20th, A. D. 1891, at 8:00 o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Manford D. Yontz, President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 18 members, viz: Councilmen Austin, Burns, Cooper, Coy, Dunn, Gauss, Hicklin, Markey, Martindale, Murphy, Myers, McGill, Nolan, Pearson, Rassmann, Sherer, Trusler, and Weber.

ABSENT, 6—viz: Councilmen Davis, Gasper, Olsen, Stechhan, Sweetland, and Woollen.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session held June 15th; the special session held June 18th; the adjourned session held June 22d, and the regular session held July 6th, 1891, having been printed and placed upon the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication; which was received:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
*Indianapolis, Ind., July 20, 1891.* }

To the Members of the Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—I have approved General Ordinance No. 21, 1891, passed at your session held July 6th, 1891.

T. L. SULLIVAN, Mayor.

The City Comptroller submitted the following report; which was read and received:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER, }  
*Indianapolis, July 18, 1891.* }

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

*Gentlemen:*—In answer to the motion made at the last meeting of the Council, instructing me "to produce at the next meeting of the Council the City Engineer's estimate of the cost of the building of the Fall Creek dyke, the City Commissioners' report on the same, and all other papers in his office relating to the claims of James W. Brown, Assistant Civil Engineer," I beg to say that I have no such papers in my office.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM WESLEY WOOLLEN,  
City Comptroller.

Councilman Martindale offered the following motion; which was adopted:

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*Moved*, That the Committee on Ways and Means have prepared an ordinance to pay James W. Brown one hundred and fifty (\$150 00) dollars, for work done on the Fall Creek levee

The Committee on Ordinances, through Councilman Rassmann, submitted the following report; which was read:

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, your Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 26, 189 , being "An ordinance to increase the public revenues by licensing retail liquor dealers," beg leave to report that we have examined said ordinance, and would respectfully recommend that it be passed.

As to General Ordinance No. 23, 1891, being "An ordinance, etc., to amend General Ordinance No. 44, 1888," etc., would respectfully report progress, and ask for further time.

Respectfully submitted,

Emil C. Rassmann,  
M. J. Murphy,  
Committee on Ordinances.

#### INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL ORDINANCES.

By Councilman Coy. Read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee:

G. O. No. 28, 1891—An ordinance providing for the licensing of the buyers of empty bottles, fixing the fee to be paid for said license and the period for which said license shall be issued; providing a penalty for the violation thereof; repealing conflicting ordinances, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

By Councilman Markey. Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

G. O. No. 29, 1891—An ordinance requiring the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company to station and maintain a flagman at the crossing of its tracks over Madison avenue, near Lincoln Lane and Palmer street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

By Councilman Myers. Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

G. O. No. 30, 1891—An ordinance to change the name of Bellefontaine avenue to Bellevue Avenue.

Councilman Myers introduced the following petition; which was ordered filed with the above General Ordinance No. 30, 1891:

Indianapolis, July 6, 1891.

To the Board of Public Works of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Bellefontaine street, between Peru street and Ash street, respectfully petition for the passage of a resolution providing for the changing of the name to "Bellevue Avenue."

Mrs. J. A. Shirley, Mrs. C. Merriman, Mrs. A. E. Rhodes, Mrs Libby Phillips—and 13 others.

By Councilman Stechhan. Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

G. O. No. 31, 1891—An ordinance to require the erection of a viaduct on South Alabama street, by railroad companies owning or operating railway tracks along or across said street.

By Councilman Weber. Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

G. O. No. 32, 1891—An ordinance requiring the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company to station and maintain a flagman at the crossing of its tracks over Newman street, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Councilman McGill called up General Ordinance No. 26, 1891:

G. O. No. 26, 1891—An ordinance to increase the public revenue of the City of Indianapolis, by requiring all retail dealers in intoxicating liquors to obtain and pay for license thereof.

Which was read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Austin, Burns, Cooper, Coy, Dunn, Gauss, Hicklin, Markey, Martindale, Murphy, Myers, McGill, Nolan, Pearson, Sherer, Stechhan, Trusler, Weber, and President Yontz.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

*W. J. Yontz* ..... President.

Attest: *E. Burns* ..... , City Clerk.