

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

FIRST SESSION—AUGUST 28, 1878.

The Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, together with the City Clerk and City Assessor, met as a Board of Equalization, in the Council Chamber, on Wednesday evening, August 28th, A. D. 1878, at eight o'clock, pursuant to the following advertisement :

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK,
Indianapolis, Ind., August 14, 1878. }

Notice is hereby given to tax-payers, that, in pursuance of the provisions of section 59 of the City Charter, the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, together with the City Clerk and City Assessor, will meet at the Chamber of the Common Council, in the City of Indianapolis, on Wednesday evening, August 28th, 1878, as a Board of Equalization, to hear and decide complaints, if there be any, and equalize the appraisements for the year 1878, as right and justice may require.

By order of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

A roll-call was had, with the following result :

PRESENT—His Honor, John Caven, Mayor, in the chair; Benj. C. Wright, City Clerk; William Hadley, City Assessor; Aldermen Foster, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Stratford, and Wiles; and Councilmen Anderson, Bermann, Brown, Bruner, Cummings, Layman, Marsee, Maus, Morris, Morse, McGinty, McKay, Off, Reading, Reasner, Sindlinger, Steeg, Tucker, Walker, Wiese, and Wright—30.

ABSENT—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Grubbs, and Snider, and Councilmen Dill, O'Brien, Rodibaugh, and Showalter—8.

It appearing from the foregoing roll-call that a quorum was present, the Board of Equalization proceeded to business.

The City Assessor presented the following report; which was duly received :

CITY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, August 28, 1878.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the Common Council
and Board of Aldermen, in joint session assembled as a Board of Equalization:

Gentlemen:—I herewith present my report of the appraisement of the real and personal property of the City of Indianapolis, for the year 1878:

Value of lots.....	\$23,944,100
Value of houses.....	15,112,200
Value of personal property.....	10,677,415
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	\$49,733,715

Number of polls, 13,648.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. HADLEY, City Assessor.

The City Clerk called the roll of the Wards, for the presentation of complaints against the assessments of 1878.

The Councilmen representing the Second, Twenty-Second, and Twenty-Fifth Wards, only, stated they had heard complaints from their constituents.

On Councilman Marsee's motion, it was ordered that all complaints should be brought before and considered by the usual select committee.

On same gentleman's motion, His Honor, the Mayor, was requested to appoint a select committee of five, to be chosen from the representatives hailing from the five Aldermanic Districts, who shall assemble at the office of the City Assessor, on to-morrow morning, August 29th, 1878, at 10 o'clock, and meet from day to day for ten days, and to whom shall be referred "the assessment-lists and all complaints against any assessment"; reporting their proceedings back to a future meeting of this Board of Equalization.

His Honor appointed the below-named as such select committee:

First Aldermanic District—Councilman Morris.
Second Aldermanic District—Councilman Maus.
Third Aldermanic District—Alderman Grubbs.
Fourth Aldermanic District—Councilman Marsee.
Fifth Aldermanic District—Councilman Steeg.

On Councilman Walker's motion, the Board of Equalization then adjourned, to meet again on Friday evening next, September 6th, at the usual hour.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor,
Chairman of Board of Equalization.

Attest: BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.