

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

ADJOURNED SESSION—APRIL 29, 1879.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis met in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Tuesday evening, April 29th, A. D. 1879, at half-past seven o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—His Honor, the President, Wm. D. Wiles, in the Chair, and Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, and Snider—9.

ABSENT—Alderman Stratford—1.

The Proceedings of Board of Aldermen, for the regular session, held on April 22d, 1879, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said proceedings were duly approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read :

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen :—At the regular session of the Common Council, held on April 21st, 1879, the following motion was duly adopted:

“That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to advertise for proposals to build a wooden bridge across Pogue's Run, on New Jersey street—said bridge to be built according to the plans and specifications prepared by the City Civil Engineer.”

For the Common Council :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

And then, at Alderman Grubbs's suggestion, the motion set forth in preceding message was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following messages were duly received :

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen :—You are hereby notified that the Common Council, at the adjourned session of said body, held last evening (April 28th, 1879), appointed Councilmen McKay, Tucker, and O'Brien, as its portion of the Committee of Conference as to materials to be used in the construction of driveways over sidewalks.

For the Common Council :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit to your honorable body certain papers, which were favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its adjourned session, held last evening (April 28th, 1879), for your action upon same.

For the Common Council:

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

The following report from the City Clerk [see, also, pages 967 and 968, *ante*], was read, and was duly approved:

To the Mayor, Common Council, and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—I respectfully report that on this, the 28th day of April, 1879, I transmitted to the City Commissioners the petition and plat of George B. Yandes and others, in the matter of the proposed vacation of the alley running east and west, between Howard street and the first alley east of Howard street, and between lots 8, 9, 12, and 13 of Yandes & Smith's Subdivision of lots 10 and 11 of C. St. J. West's Addition to the City of Indianapolis; also the resolutions of your honorable bodies concerning the same; and that I issued notice to the said Commissioners, according to law, and also to owners of property.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

Alderman Chandler appeared, and took his seat.

The following report from the Board of City Commissioners was read; and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in such report [see pages 969 and 970, *ante*], was duly approved:

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned respectfully show to your honorable body:

That we, your City Commissioners, did meet at Room No. 2, City Hall, April 28th, 1879, at 9 o'clock A. M., pursuant to notice from the City Clerk, to examine, appraise, and assess the damages and benefits (if there be any) accruing to the owner or owners of certain property in the vacation of the alley running east and west, between Howard street and the first alley east of Howard street, and between lots 8, 9, 12, and 13 of Yandes & Smith's Subdivision of lots 10 and 11 of C. St. J. West's Addition to the City of Indianapolis, proposed to be vacated by the said City of Indianapolis, according to a petition of Geo. B. Yandes and others.

And on the representation of Mr. Geo. B. Yandes, who was present, that the object for which the alley was prayed to be vacated was that the School Commissioners, some time since, proposed to purchase his lots adjoining said alley, provided said alley was vacated, for the site of a school house; but, inasmuch as that the School Commissioners have since purchased ground elsewhere, for the purpose of building a school building, the necessity of the vacation of said alley does not exist; therefore, Mr. Yandes objects to the vacation of the said alley. Mr. Yandes being the principal owner of the lots adjoining the said alley, your Commissioners do, therefore, recommend that the alley be not vacated as prayed.

Respectfully,

GEO. W. HILL,
JOHN L. AVERY,
J. S. HILDEBRAND,
WILLIAM MANSUR,
R. H. PATTERSON,
City Commissioners.

April 28, 1879.

And then the following Council motion [see page 970, *ante*] was read, and was concurrently adopted:

That the City Treasurer is hereby ordered to make up an itemized statement of all expenses involved in the preceding case, and to present and collect such account from the petitioners having ownership interest in same, in accordance with the provisions of the last sentence of section 18 of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana on this subject, approved on March 17th, 1875.

A communication from the Citizens' Street Railway Company, embodying the following resolution, and certifying its adoption by said corporation,—

“*Resolved*, That we, at once, proceed to the construction of a line of street railway along and upon Indiana avenue, from the intersection of said avenue with Illinois street, northwest, along said avenue, to West street”—

[see page 968, *ante*] was read, and was duly received.

The following clauses in the report from the Board of Public Improvements were read; and the action of the Common Council, in concurring therein [see pages 968 and 969, *ante*], was duly approved:

1st. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in Michigan street, between Patterson street and the river bridge.

We recommend this work be done.

2d. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill, with gravel, the chuck-holes in Wyoming street, between Delaware and High streets.

We recommend this work be done.

4th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes of Cherry street; also to put gravel on the crossing of Cherry street, at Fort Wayne avenue.)

We recommend this work be done.

6th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters of First street, from West street to Meridian street.

We recommend this work be done.

8th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters of Ray street, from Illinois street to Pogue's Run.

We recommend the gutters of said street be cleaned, only, between Tennessee and Meridian streets.

9th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to repair the old road-bed of the Peru Railroad, where it crosses Massachusetts avenue, by bowldering the same.

We recommend this work be done.

10th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in Alabama street, between New York and North streets, with broken stone.

We recommend this work be done.

11th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-hole at the north-west corner of New Jersey and Michigan streets.

We recommend this work be done.

12th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in Georgia street, between Illinois street and Kentucky avenue.

We recommend this work be done, at a cost not exceeding \$15 per square.

Petition from Christian Schoettle and others, owners of all the property on the south side of South street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets, asking permission to locate a street-sprinkler plug about ninety feet east of Meridian street [see pages 973 and 974, *ante*], was read; and the action of the Common Council, in granting the prayer of said petitioners, was duly concurred in.

Petition from H. H. Langenberg and eight others, for permission to grade and gravel the sidewalks in front of their property, on the north side of Washington street, west of White River [see page 974, *ante*], was read; and then, on Alderman Foster's motion, such petition, together with Special Ordinance 10, 1879 (in the Aldermanic files, on second reading) was referred to Second District Aldermen.

The following motion [which had been referred by the Common Council to the Board of Public Improvements, who were given power to act—see page 974, *ante*], was read; and such reference and power were duly confirmed:

That the Street Commissioner be ordered to fill up the chuck-holes in E. Washington street, between Oriental and State streets.

The following Council motion was read; and then, at the suggestion of Alderman Grubbs, such motion, together with Special Ordinance 8, 1879, was referred to the Third District Aldermen:

That Mr. McChesney be allowed to pave with brick, as per ordinance for the same, the sidewalk along his property on Pratt street, west of Tennessee street, at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

The following Council motion was read; and was then, at Alderman Ridenour's suggestion, referred to the Aldermanic Judiciary Committee and the City Attorney:

That the City Marshal be ordered to notify the Michigan Gravel Road or Pike Company to repair their road, commencing at St. Clair street and West street, and going north as far as said company's pike is in this city; and do it at once, or show cause for not doing the same.

The following Council motion was read; and was then, at Alderman Foster's suggestion, referred to the Police Board:

That the City Marshal be requested to turn over to the family of Peter Huffman the money taken from said Huffman at the time of his arrest, and now in possession of the City Marshal.

PENDING ORDINANCES—PROCEEDINGS HAD THEREON.

General Ordinance 11, 1879, was taken up, and was read the second time.

Alderman Foster called for the reading of a communication from the "Indianapolis Ice-Storage Company," presented before the Common Council on the 21st instant [see pages 946 and 947, *ante*].

Alderman Chandler then moved that action upon aforesaid ordinance be indefinitely postponed.

On Alderman Foster's motion, the foregoing proposition of Alderman Chandler was laid on the table.

Alderman Ridenour stated that he had been informed that the Ice-Storage Company would file a bond, holding the city harmless from all costs and damages which might be imposed by the Courts, if the Board of Aldermen would concurrently pass the ordinance now under consideration. Having every confidence that the indicated pledge had been made, and would be honestly kept, he would vote in favor of the passage of the ordinance.

Aldermen Grubbs and Piel expressed themselves in like manner.

The following entitled ordinance was then read the third time :

G. O. 11, 1879—An Ordinance granting J. P. Wiggins, F. D. Neeld, and I. N. Neeld, partners doing business under the name and style of "Indianapolis Ice Storage Company," the right and privilege of building and constructing a Railroad Switch, connecting their warehouse with the main track of the Indianapolis, Cincinnati & Lafayette Railroad, near the corner of Georgia and Missouri streets, in the City of Indianapolis.

And was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS, 1—viz.: Alderman Chandler.

Alderman Grubbs was excused for the balance of this session.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times :

G. O. 14, 1879—An Ordinance granting John C. New, Edward D. Woodruff, John M. Denison, and T. Edward Hambleton permission to erect a balcony over the sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, in front of lots numbered 10, 11, and 12, in square number forty-four (44), in the City of Indianapolis.

And was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the second and third times :

S. O. 4, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Arsenal avenue, from Washington street to the first alley north of Washington street.

And was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the second and third times:

S. O. 6, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for curbing with stone and paving with brick the west sidewalk, and bowldering the west gutter, of Alabama street, from Washington street to Market street.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the second and third times:

S. O. 7, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering Delaware street, from Washington street to the north line of Wabash street.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the second and third times:

S. O. 9, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for improving the alley between Ash street and College avenue, from the first alley north of Christian avenue to the second alley north of Christian avenue, by grading and graveling.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

W. D. WILES, President.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.