

Council Chamber

Indianapolis Apr-16th 1851

The Council Met, present Mrrs Louden, Rooker, Hetselgesser Eckert, Landis & Mr Cully President.

The following Petition was presented by Mr Louden from N B. Palmer and others,

To the Hon City Council of Indianapolis The undersigned property holders on the East side of Illinois Street, between Washington and Maryland Streets, being desircous of having the gutter on the East side of Illinois Street between the Streets aforesaid graded and paved with Bolders Rock, do hereby petition your Honorable body to cause the same to be surveyed, graded and paved as above suggested and charged up against said property fronting on Illinois Street, subject to the re-imburstment by issue to them of Scrip agreeably to the ordinance in such cases provided.

Signed

N. B. Palmer	195 ft
James Greer	22 "

After the reading of said petition, on motion the prayor of the petitioners was granted, and the City Engineer directed to make the survey and set the stakes for the same, and the City Engineer to contract for the completion of the work.

A petition was presented, signed by Wilkins and others, and on motion refered to the Committee on claims

The following claims were

(453)	Allowed, James Blake	\$14.85
(issued)	" John A Lockwood Building out Houses for	
	S Houses &c	\$128.00
(26)	" A. M. Britton for Butchers Blocks &c	\$ 4.50
(456 to 459)	" Belser & Schab for excavation n End	
	of P Run Bridge on Vir	
	Avenue	\$ 30.84

The Bill of Chapman & Spann for printing tax receipts for 1845, was refered to the Committee on claims, also the Bill of Mr Lockwood for Extra seats and desks for School Houses.

The following order was adopted

Ordered, that the property holders on both sides of Alabama Street between Washington & Maryland Streets grade and Gravel the side walks on both sides of said Street, and that the Engineer be required to give them the regular grade thereof

On motion the following ordinance was adopted.

An Ordinance to appoint a general board of superintendants of City Schools

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, that the superintendants of Public Schools heretofore appointed, together with the district trustees who have adopted, or may hereafter adopt the City School Houses as district School Houses, shall constitute a general board for the Superintendance of Public Schools; who shall organize as such, and appoint their own officers.

Sec 2. It shall be the duty of said board to designate what Books shall be used in Said Schools; to appoint examiners of all persons applying for stations as teachers in said Schools, and visitors of Schools; to designate the time when the quarterly and annual examinations thereof shall take place; and to make such rules and bye-laws as they may deem proper for their own government, and for the government of the said examiners and visitors, and also of the teachers and pupils of the Schools; Provided, that the selection of teachers and the direct oversight of the respective Schools shall be and remain in the superintendants of the respective districts

Ordained and established this 14th day of
April A D 1851, By order of the Council
on motion the Council adjourned

Attest

Jos T. Roberts Secty

D. V. Culley President
