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PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—SEPTEMBER 17, 1879.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis met in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Wednesday evening, September 17th, A. D. 1879, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session :

PRESENT—His Honor, the President, J. M. Ridenour, in the Chair, and Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, and Seibert—8.

ABSENT—Aldermen Chandler and Coburn—2.

The proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, for the regular session, held on September 3d, 1879, and for the called session, held on September 11th, 1879, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said proceedings were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was received :

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 regular session, held on Monday evening (September 8th, 1879), for your action upon same.

For the Common Council :

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following resolution, adopted by the Common Council [see page 450, *ante*] was read :

Resolved by the Common Council, the Board of Aldermen Concurring, That when money is appropriated for the purpose of drainage, as between the two, Fall Creek and Pogue's Run, the same shall be first applied to the improvement of the said Pogue's Run.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

The following motion, adopted by the Common Council [see page 450, *ante*] was read; and referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, directed to instruct Geisendorff & Co. to immediately repair the lower dam on Fall Creek, the present condition of said dam being very injurious to the health of our citizens, and it is evident the present condition of the lower dam over Fall Creek is intolerable.

The following report from the Committee on Contracts was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council, in awarding the several contracts [see pages 451 and 452, *ante*]:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom were referred sundry proposals presented to Council, Monday evening, September 1st, 1879, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, viz.:

First. For improving the first alley north of Woodlawn avenue from Dillon street to Olive street, by grading and graveling—

James Heller, 18 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, 14 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Second. For grading the first alley east of Mississippi street, from Garden street to Pogue's Run—

Thomas Niland, 10 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, 5 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Third. For grading and paving with brick, and curbing with stone, the south sidewalk of New York street, from Liberty street to Noble street—

James Mahoney, 73 cents per lineal foot front, for paving and curbing.

John L. Hanna, 73½ cents per lineal foot front, for paving and curbing.

James W. Hudson, 66 cents per lineal foot front, for paving and curbing.

D. A. Haywood, 64 cents per lineal foot front, for paving and curbing.

John Schier, 29½ cents per lineal foot front for grading and paving, and 30 cents per lineal foot front for curbing with stone.

John Schier, being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Fourth. For grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of State avenue, from Washington street to Market street—

D. A. Haywood, 48 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier, 46½ cents per lineal foot front.

George Woodfil & Son, 45 cents per lineal foot front.

James Mahoney, 44 cents per lineal foot front.

John L. Hanna, 37½ cents per lineal foot front.

John L. Hanna, being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Sixth. For grading and graveling Chesapeake alley and sidewalks from Missouri street to the first alley west of Missouri street—

Thomas Niland, 24 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, 22 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Brown,
J. H. Sheppard,
Committee on Contracts.

Report of the City Civil Engineer, submitting Contract and bond of J. L. Spaulding, for improving the north sidewalk of Washington street (where not already properly improved), from White River bridge to Ray street, was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council, in concurring in the contract and approving the bond [see page 452, *ante*].

Report from the Committee on Finance, in relation to the contract and bond of the Indianapolis Fertilizer Company, was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council in approving such report, and in concurring in the contract and approving the bond [see page 452, *ante*].

Report from same committee, in relation to the monthly report from the Street Committee and Board of Public Improvements, was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council in approving such report [see pages 452 and 453, *ante*].

The following resolution was read, and this body approved the Council action thereon [see page 453, *ante*]:

WHEREAS, The Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis did, on July 14th and 16th, 1879, grant the Trustee of Centre Township permission to grade Twelfth street, from Meridian street to Illinois street, and to remove the earth and gravel therefrom down to such grade, and to use such surplus earth and gravel in making a fill between the northern terminus of Meridian street and Fall Creek;

AND WHEREAS, Said Township Trustee has, without waiting for grade-stakes, removed the earth and dug gravel-pits in said Twelfth street below the established grades of both Illinois and Meridian streets, and has thereby interfered with the convenient use as well as the drainage of said Twelfth street, and has caused ponds of water to accumulate and stand therein: Therefore, be it

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis: That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to forthwith establish the grade of Twelfth street, between the points named, and then to notify said Township Trustee to immediately grade said street in accordance with such stakes, filling up all places below the proper grade with gravel of the quality taken from the gravel-pit dug in said street.

Resolved further, That if said Township Trustee shall neglect, fail, or refuse to enter upon the work of repairing the damage recited in the preamble of these resolutions on or before the 15th instant, the Street Commissioner is hereby ordered to do such work of grading, and to collect the costs thereof from said Township Trustee.

The following entitled ordinance was received from the Common Council, and read the first time:

G. O. 43, 1879—An Ordinance relative to the erection and maintenance of Privies, Water-Closets, Urinals, Cesspools, and other Receptacles of Fluid or Semi-Fluid Filth in the City of Indianapolis, and regulating the Location, Construction, Cleansing, and Emptying of the same.

The following message was received :

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis :

Gentlemen :—At a regular session of the Common Council, held on September 15th, 1879, said body refused to concurrently adopt the resolution, adopted by your honorable body on September 3d, 1879. (See page 447, Aldermanic proceedings.)

For the Common Council :

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

And this body then receded from its action of the 3d instant, in adopting the resolution offered by Alderman Layman [see page 447, *ante*].

The following message was received :

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 regular session, held on Monday evening (September 15th, 1879), for your action upon same.

For the Common Council :

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following report from His Honor, the Mayor, was read ; and this body concurred with the Common Council in approving same [see page 462, *ante*] :

Indianapolis, September 15, 1879.

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

Gentlemen :—The amount of fines collected by me during the month of August, 1879, due the city treasury, is \$64.71 ; which amount I have paid to the City Treasurer, and filed his receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CAVEN, Mayor.

The following report from the City Assessor was read ; and this body concurred with the Common Council, in confirming such appointments [see page 465, *ante*] :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen :—I have appointed H. N. Hadley and J. E. Dill my deputies, and respectfully request your honorable bodies to confirm such appointments.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. CONNETT, City Assessor.

Report from Board of Health, giving a tabulated statement, by ages, of deaths registered in the City of Indianapolis, from September 1st to 15th, 1879 [see page 468, *ante*], was read and received.

Report from certain joint committees, in relation to petition of Rev. Aug. Bessonies, was read ; and this body concurred with the Common Council in approving the same [see page 465, *ante*].

The following clauses in the report of the Board of Public Improvements were read ; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon [see page 467, *ante*], was approved :

1st. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in New York street, between the canal and Blake street.

We recommend the work be done.

2d. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes of Blackford street, between North and Washington streets.

We recommend said work be done.

3d. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters of Tennessee street, between McCarty and Ray streets; also to clean the gutters of McCarty street, from Illinois street to Pogue's Run.

We recommend said work be done.

4th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to pave with bowlders that portion of the first alley west of Tennessee street, on Kentucky avenue, that crosses the sidewalk.

We recommend said work be done.

The following report from the Committee on Accounts and Claims was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council in approving the same [see page 468, *ante*]:

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

Your committee respectfully report, that upon examination they find that since the first day of July, 1877, the Hospital Board have failed to furnish with their reports to this Council itemized bills as vouchers, to be filed with said reports in the office of the City Clerk; which failure is a violation of the ordinances of the city. We therefore submit the following concurrent resolution, and recommend that it be adopted by this body:

Resolved by the Common Council, the Board of Aldermen concurring, That the Hospital Board be, and they are hereby, ordered to file with their reports itemized bills of all purchases made by them for the use of the City Hospital, and in all other respects comply with an ordinance ordained July 14th, 1873.

F. J. Van Vorhis,
Martin McGinty,
Geo. P. Wood.

Committee on Accounts and Claims.

And the resolution embodied in said report was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS, 1—viz. Alderman Drew.

Report from the Committees on Markets, in relation to the petition of Henry Gimber, was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council in approving same [see page 470, *ante*].

The following report from the Committee on Contracts was read; and this body concurred with the Common Council in awarding the several contracts [see page 471, *ante*]:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts to which was referred sundry proposals presented to Council on September 15th, 1879, have examined same and find them to be as follows, to-wit:

1st. For grading and graveling Prospect street, and bowldering the gutters thereof, from Dillon street to Reed street—

J. K. Graham, \$1.16 per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, \$1.07 per lineal foot front on each side.

Thomas Roney, \$1.00 per lineal foot front on each side.

Fred. Gansberg, 93 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

D. A. Haywood, 90 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

R. P. Dunning & J. W. Hudson, 88 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

R. P. Dunning & J. W. Hudson being the lowest and best bidders, we recommend they be awarded the contract.

2nd. For grading and graveling the first alley east of Shelby street from the first alley south of Prospect street to Pleasant Run.

D. A. Haywood, 20 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Thos. Roney, 19 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, 14 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

R. P. Dunning & J. W. Hudson, 13 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

R. P. Dunning & J. W. Hudson being the lowest and best bidders, we recommend that they be awarded the contract.

3rd. For grading and paving the sidewalks of Meridian street, from Seventh street to Twelfth street, the award of which contract was reconsidered and referred back to us, we would recommend that said contract be awarded to D. A. Haywood, for 30½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Brown,¹
J. H. Sheppard,
Committee on Contracts.

The following contracts and bonds were read; and this body concurred with the Common Council, in approving the same [see pages 471 and 472, *ante*]:

Contract and bond of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Woodlawn avenue, from Dillon street to Olive street. Penalty of bond, \$200; surety, John Schier.

Contract and bond of James Mahoney, for grading the first alley east of Mississippi street, from Garden street to Pogue's Run. Penalty of bond, \$75; surety, John Schier.

Contract and bond of John Schier, for grading, paving with brick, and curbing with stone the south sidewalk of New York street, from Liberty street to Noble street. Penalty of bond, \$400; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Contract and bond of John L. Hanna, for grading, and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of State avenue, from Washington street to Market street. Penalty of bond, \$200; surety, James W. Hudson.

Contract and bond of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling Chesapeake alley and sidewalks, from Missouri street to the first alley west of Missouri street. Penalty of bond, \$200; surety, John Schier.

Contract and bond of R. P. Dunning and J. W. Hudson, for grading and graveling Prospect street, and bowldering the gutters thereof, from Dillon street to Reed street. Penalty of bond, \$4,500; sureties, Fred. Gansberg and John Schier.

Contract and bond of David A. Haywood, for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Meridian street, between Seventh and Twelfth streets. Penalty of bond, \$2,500; surety, Charles S. Roney.

The following contract and bond, approved by the Common Council [see page 472, *ante*], was read :

Contract and bond of R. P. Dunning and J. W. Hudson, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Shelby street, from the first alley south of Prospect street to Pleasant Run. Penalty of bond, \$1,000; sureties, Fred. Gansberg and John Schier.

Alderman Grubbs then offered the following amendment, which was adopted :

The City of Indianapolis, in making this contract, excludes any part of said alley not legally open to the public, and the contractors shall receive estimates, only for the number of feet actually improved.

The contract, as amended, was then concurred in, and the bond approved.

The following resolution, adopted by the Common Council [see page 477, *ante*], was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the owners of the following described real estate—to-wit :

Lot 12, in Mankedick's Subdivision of square 12 of Hubbard, Martindale and McCarty's Southeast Addition to the City of Indianapolis—be, and they are hereby required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28th, 1866, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations, and Holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same"; and that in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation, as provided in said ordinance, *provided* that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

The following motions, which had been adopted by the Common Council, were read and concurrently adopted :

WHEREAS, The "Brothers of the Sacred Heart" refused to pay any portion of the expenses which would have attended the proceedings in the matter of the vacation of the first alley south of Coburn street, in Dougherty's Subdivision of a part of out-lot 99, through a misapprehension, and are now ready and willing to meet such expenses: Therefore,

Moved, That the vote by which such proceedings were stopped, be rescinded, and that the case be reinstated.

To instruct the Union Depot Company to repair the crossing at the west end of Union Depot; and if they refuse or fail to do so within ten days from date of notice, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to do so at the company's expense.

That the Union Depot Company, also Wm. Scott & Co., be instructed to repair the crossing of Pennsylvania street and the Union tracks; and on their failure to do so within ten days from date of notice, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to make the repairs, and charge the same to the above named parties.

That the City Marshal be directed to immediately proceed against the proprietors of the building on the northeast corner of Georgia and Illinois streets, known as the Surgical Institute, in accordance with the provisions of General Ordinance 34, 1879.

That A. H. Wall be granted permission to construct a bridge, thirty-two feet long, over the gutter in front of his carpenter shop, No. 255 Indiana avenue—such work to be done at his own expense, and under direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the business men on Illinois street, in front of St. Charles Hotel and Chapin & Gore, be, and are hereby, authorized to cover the gutter in front of said property with a bridge—said work to be done at their own expense, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer.

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, instructed to notify the Street Railway Company to cover the bridge with boards between the rails, to prevent damage to the bridge on Indiana avenue, crossing the canal.

That the Fire Board, Hospital Board, Police Board, Board of Public Improvements, Dispensary Board, and Board of Health, be, and are hereby, ordered to file with all vouchers for allowances made by said Boards, a duplicate copy of all bills with the City Clerk, and to comply with the ordinances in other respects.

That the City Marshal be directed to notify P. C. Leary to fix his cellar-door as early as possible, below McCarty street on S. West street, for it is in a dangerous condition.

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to re-advertise for proposals for grading and graveling Wilkens street and sidewalks, between Church and West streets.

That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, instructed to file a bill of impleader in a court of general jurisdiction in Marion County, making parties thereto all the claimants in the matter of opening John street, and to see that the law regulating the paying of said claimants be fully complied with.

That Messrs. A. & W. Reasner, be granted permission to repair the second alley west of Oriental street, between Michigan road and Washington street, said work to be done at their own expense, and under directions of the City Civil Engineer.

That J. D. Eagle be permitted to erect an awning in front of his store on the corner of Illinois and Michigan streets, to be done in compliance with existing ordinances.

That the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen, together with all other City Officers, and also the Fire Department, be, and are hereby, requested to turn out and participate in the parade to be given in honor of President Hayes and his Cabinet, on the 2d day of October, 1879.

That the employment of the Park Policeman for the month of September and first week in October be confirmed.

The following motion, adopted by the Common Council, was read :

That the Joint Committees on Public Property be, and are hereby, instructed to contract for the sprinkling of the principal streets leading north to the Exposition grounds, during the week of the State Fair.

On Alderman Layman's motion, the same was amended by substituting the "Board of Public Improvements" for the "Committees on Public Property"; also, by adding the words "and for sprinkling the streets on the line of march, on the day of the grand industrial parade."

The motion, as amended, was then adopted.

The following motion, adopted by the Common Council, was read :

That when the ordinances for the improvement of Tennessee and Meridian streets be passed, that before the contract is awarded the wooden blocks on said streets be reserved and turned over to the Township Trustee, to be issued as fuel to the deserving poor of the City of Indianapolis during the coming winter.

On Alderman Layman's motion, the same was amended by inserting the words "provided the consent of the property owners be obtained."

The motion, as amended, was then adopted.

The following motions, adopted by the Common Council, were read ; and this body refused to concurrently adopt the same :

That the Committees on Printing be authorized to contract with the publishers, to supply all City Officers with new Directory for 1880.

That the Hospital Board be requested to report whether they intend to comply with the order of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, to make a report for the years 1877 and 1878—such reports not yet having been made.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The following report from the City Attorney was received :

Indianapolis, September 17, 1879.

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis :

Gentlemen :—In obedience to your instruction I have prepared, and herewith submit, an ordinance in relation to Public Drinking Fountains.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. HENRY, City Attorney.

The following entitled ordinance, introduced by the City Attorney, was read the first time :

G. O. 54, 1879—An Ordinance to prevent Horses, or other Animals or Vehicles, from standing within ten feet of any Drinking Fountain in the City of Indianapolis, except while such horse or animal is engaged in drinking.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Alderman Drew, submitted the following report ; which was concurred in :

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Your Committee on Streets and Alleys find that the last provision in section 18 of a certain Act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, approved on March 17th, 1875, reads as follows: "All the expenses of such proceedings [vacations] shall be paid by said petitioners, unless the Common Council shall otherwise direct." The Common Council, when it adopted the following resolution, on August 4th, 1879, was acting in harmony with the statutory provision above cited, and your committee do now recommend that this body concurrently adopt said resolution, to-wit:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the vacation of the alley running through R. L. McOuats Second Addition (as recommended in the report from the Board of City Commissioners, on July 21st, 1879—see pages 258 and 259, *ante*) is hereby ordered, but shall not take effect and be an accomplished fact until R. L. McOuat, the owner of said Addition, shall have paid into the city treasury all the expenses attending such vacation for which the city could be held liable, and deposited the City Treasurer's receipt therefor in the office of the City Clerk, and received the last-named officer's quietus in lieu of such receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. Drew,
W. F. Piel,
Hiram Seibert,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The resolution embodied in foregoing report was then concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

The same committee submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom were referred Special Ordinance 12, 1879 ("To provide for grading and graveling Madison avenue, from Nebraska street to the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad tracks"), and Special Ordinance 36, 1879 ("To provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Madison avenue," between the same points), have made an examination of the thoroughfare proposed to be improved, and do report as follows:

The Jeffersonville Railroad tracks cross Madison avenue twice. Between the northern and southern crossings, both roadway and sidewalks have already been improved. It is, therefore, evident that the line of improvement should be south from Nebraska street to the southern crossing. We, therefore, recommend that the titles and first sections of both ordinances be amended by inserting the word "south," so that they shall read, "from Nebraska street, *south*, to the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad tracks"

We, also, recommend that Special Ordinance 12 be further amended, by providing for "curbing the sidewalks and bowldering the gutters thereof."

After aforesaid ordinances are amended as we have indicated, we recommend that they be severally passed by this body.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. Drew,
W. F. Piel,
Hiram Seibert,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Alderman Seibert offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Police Board be authorized to employ ten Special Policemen during Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of State Fair week, at same compensation now allowed Regular Policemen.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

S. O. 12, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Madison avenue, from Nebraska street to the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad tracks.

And was amended, by inserting in the title and first section, after the words "Nebraska street," the word "south"; also, by inserting in the title the words, "curbing the sidewalks and bowldering the gutters thereof," and by amending the first section by providing for the curbing of the sidewalks and bowldering of the gutters.

The ordinance, as amended, was then ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time, viz. :

S. O. 12, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Madison avenue, curbing the sidewalks and bowldering the gutters thereof, from Nebraska street, south, to the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad tracks.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

S. O. 36, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Madison avenue, from Nebraska street to the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad tracks.

And was amended by inserting the word "south" after the words "Nebraska street" in the title and first section.

The ordinance, as amended, was then ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time, viz. :

S. O. 36, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Madison avenue, from Nebraska street, south, to the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad tracks.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

G O. 46, 1879—An Ordinance to provide the Committees of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis with a Clerk, and prescribing the Duties of such Clerk.

Alderman Seibert offered the following amendment; which was adopted :

It shall be the duty of the Committee Clerk to attend all meetings of the Board of Public Improvements and make a record of their proceedings, and to keep correct account of all expenditures incurred by them, and report the same monthly to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and shall perform all other duties required by the Board of Public Improvements.

Said ordinance, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES, 6—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Mussmann, Newman Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS, 2—viz. Aldermen Layman and Piel.

Alderman Grubbs moved that when this body adjourns, it adjourn to meet next Wednesday evening, September 24th, 1879; which motion was adopted.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

J. M. RIDENOUR, President.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.