

# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—MARCH 17, 1880.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis met in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Wednesday evening, March 17th, A. D. 1880, at half past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—His Honor, the President, J. M. Ridenour, in the Chair, and Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, and Seibert—9.

ABSENT—Alderman Grubbs—1.

The proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, for the regular session, held on March 3d, 1880, 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 read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*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, March 15, 1880, 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 received:

*Indianapolis, March 15, 1880.*

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The amount of forfeitures collected by me during the month of February, 1880, due the city treasury, is \$54.60, which amount I have paid the City Treasurer, and filed his receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CAVEN, Mayor.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and this body concurred in the action of the Common Council (see page 956, *ante*) in receiving the report, and in approving the accompanying estimates:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following estimates:

A first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and bowldering the south gutter of St. Clair street, from Massachusetts avenue to the west line of lot 2, out lot No. 42.

190 lineal feet, at 40 cents.....	\$76 00
<b>Total estimate.....</b>	<b>\$76 00</b>

A first and final estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for curbing with stone and bowldering the gutters (except where already curbed and bowldered,) of Alabama street, from Washington street to Wabash street.

560 65-100 lineal feet curb, at 34 cents.....	\$190 62
24 35-100 lineal feet re-setting curb, at 15 cents..	3 65
585 lineal feet bowldering, at 40 cents.....	234 00
113 52-100 sqr. yards bowldering crossings, at 40 cents.....	45 40
64 4-10 lineal feet extra curbing, at 34 cents.....	21 89
Hauling stone for crossings .....	1 00
<b>Total estimate.....</b>	<b>\$496 56</b>

A first and final estimate in behalf of Dewey, Twiname and Graham, for grading and graveling the alley between Columbia avenue and Yandes street, from Lincoln avenue to Seventh street.

1218 9-12 lineal feet, at 17 cents.....	\$207 18
<b>Total estimate.....</b>	<b>\$207 18</b>

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution (which had been adopted by the Common Council—see page 957, *ante*) was read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and bowldering the south gutter of St. Clair street, from Massachusetts avenue to the west line of lot 2, out-lot No. 42, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

**AYES**, 6—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

**NAYS**—None.

The following estimate resolution (which had been adopted by the Common Council—see page 957, *ante*) was read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for curbing with stone and bowldering the gutters (except where already curbed and bowldered,) of Alabama street, from Washington street to Wabash street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

**AYES, 6—viz.** Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

**NAYS—None.**

The following estimate resolution (which had been adopted by the Common Council—see page 957, *ante*) was read :

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Dewey, Twiname and Graham, for grading and graveling the alley between Columbia avenue and Yandes street, from Lincoln avenue to Seventh street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

**AYES, 6—viz.** Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

**NAYS—None.**

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and this body concurred in the action of the Common Council (see page 957, *ante*) in receiving the report, and in concurring in the contracts and approving the bonds:

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

*Gentlemen.*—I herewith report the following contracts and bonds:

Contract and bond of Wm. Murphy, for grading and graveling the second alley south of South street, from School street to Noble street. Bond, \$200.00; surety, John Welsh.

Contract and bond of Wm. Murphy, for grading and graveling the alley between Brookside avenue and Pendleton road, from the first alley northeast of the intersection of Clifford avenue and Pendleton road, to the second alley northeast of said intersection. Bond, \$300.00; surety, John Welsh.

Contract and bond of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and graveling Railroad street and sidewalks, from North street to St. Clair street. Bond, \$1,500.00; surety James W. Hudson.

Contract and bond of John Schier, for paving with brick (where not already paved) the northwest sidewalk of Massachusetts avenue, from St. Clair street to Cherry street. Bond, \$500.00; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Contract and bond of Jack Hennese, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Buchanan street, from Greer street to East street. Bond, \$200.00; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Contract and bond of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Shelby street, from the first alley south of Prospect street to its southern terminus. Bond, \$1000.00; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Contract and bond of Fred. Gansberg, for bowldering the alley between Meridian street and Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street. Bond, \$500.00; surety, James W. Hudson.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

Report from the City Attorney, relative to cases tried (see pages 958, and 959, *ante*) was read and received.

The following report from the Chief Fire Engineer was read; and the action of the Common Council thereon (see page 959, *ante*) was approved:

Indianapolis, February 25, 1880.

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

*Gentlemen:*—I have been notified by the Water Works Company, that the following hydrants have been placed in position, viz:

- No. 576, northeast corner Cedar and Fletcher avenue.
- No. 577, northwest corner Dillon and Fletcher avenue.
- No. 578, northwest corner Olive and Fletcher avenue.
- No. 579, northwest corner Linden and Fletcher avenue.
- No. 580, southwest corner Linden and Hoyt avenue.
- No. 581, southwest corner Linden and Pleasant avenue.
- No. 582, southwest corner Linden and Woodlawn avenue; and
- No. 583, northeast corner Linden and Prospect street.

These hydrants were ordered by your honorable bodies, and were located by the Fire Board and Chief Fire Engineer. They have been properly tested, and are now in good order, and the Water Works Company have charged the city at the rate of \$50.00 per year from the date of notification, which was February 26, 1880.

And also on March 1st, 1880, that the following hydrants have been placed in position:

- No. 584, Madison avenue, opposite Nebraska street.
- No. 585, Madison avenue, opposite Dunlap street.
- No. 586, Madison avenue, opposite Downey street; and
- No. 587, Madison avenue, opposite Yeiser street.

These were also ordered by your honorable bodies. They have been located by the proper authorities; have been tested, and the Water Works Company have charged for them at the rate of \$50.00 per year from the above date.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. PENDERGAST, Chief Fire Engineer.

The following report from the City Assessor was read; and this body concurred in the action of the Common Council (see page 959, *ante*), in confirming the appointments:

Indianapolis, March 15, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—I respectfully request that your honorable bodies confirm my appointment of the following named persons as deputy city assessors.

Respectfully,

M. F. CONNETT, City Assessor.

Henry Miller,	Jno. G. Waters,
Austin B. Prather,	O. S. Dale,
James L. Bishop,	W. J. Jackson,
Geo. Rosier,	Wm. T. Ellis,
Gustave Bohn,	Fred. Rassfeld,
Hugo Pautzer,	Calvin Pritchard,
Jos. Morrow,	Chas. S. Wright,
Harry H. M. Patton,	Robt. D. Townsend,
C. B. Higgins,	L. J. Bradley,
John Hicks,	James Bagby,
Edwin Seaman,	J. H. Perry.

Please confirm the following appointments made by the Township Assessor, D. W. BROUSE.

J. H. Satcamp,	C. B. Fiebleman,
D. S. Jordan,	Chas. F. Jenkins,
Jos. Kline,	Chas. Nabe,
J. H. Lehr,	J. C. Carter,
J. C. Maxwell,	Wm. Munson,
A. F. Shortridge,	O. G. Pfaff,
Sam. Spencer,	Thos. H. S. Peck,
Henry Stearns,	Edwin Carpenter,
Chas. Baden,	R. D. Bacon,
John Furnace,	M. D. Losey,
B. W. Sullivan,	Thos. D. Thorpe,
F. S. Redmond,	Nelson Hoss.

The following report from the Board of Public Improvements was read; and this body concurred in the action of the Common Council (see page 960, *ante*) in approving the several recommendations:

To the Mayor, Members of the Common Council and

Board of Aldermen, of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—Your Board of Public Improvements, to whom was referred sundry papers, make the following report thereon:

1st. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner construct a double stone crossing on the west side of Illinois street, at the corner of Georgia street.

We recommend the work be done.

2d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the gutters and improve the drainage of Broadway street, from Cherry street to St. Clair street.

We recommend the work be done.

3d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fix the brick walk at the corners of Rose and West streets, and McCarty and West streets.

We recommend the city's portion only be repaired by the Street Commissioner.

4th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair New York street, between Missouri and Douglass streets.

We recommend the *chuck holes* be filled with gravel.

5th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair Michigan street, from Indiana avenue to Blackford street.

We recommend that only the *chuck holes* be filled.

6th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fill the chuck holes on West street, from Washington street to Indiana avenue.

We recommend the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

M. H. McKay,

H. Coburn,

J. L. Bieler,

Board of Public Improvements.

Report from the Board of Health, giving a tabulated statement, by ages, of deaths registered in the City of Indianapolis, from March 1st to 15th, 1880, (see page 961, *ante*), was read and received.

The following clause in the report from the Committee on Finance was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 962, *ante*) was approved:

2d. Is an itemized statement of Jos. T. Magner, City Clerk, showing the amount of orders drawn on the city treasury during the month of February, 1880; also, a report of W. G. Wasson, City Treasurer, for the month of February, 1880.

We have examined both accounts, and find the same correct.

The following clauses in the report from the Committee on Judiciary were read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 963, *ante*) was concurred in:

3d. Is a petition of W. H. Corbaley, wherein he claims \$11.32 on account of taxes erroneously paid.

We recommend the prayer of petitioner be granted, and that he be paid said sum.

4th. Is a petition of Alfred and J. C. S. Harrison, asking the sum of \$800.00 as damage done to certain property belonging to petitioners, by reason of the opening of Peru street through the same, and offering to make to the city a deed for same.

We recommend the payment of six hundred dollars, when the petitioners shall have made and delivered a good and sufficient deed to the city of Indianapolis for the property described in their petition.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 974, *ante*) was read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the said Council and Board deem it expedient that a line of street railway be constructed, to commence and connect with the Illinois street line at the corner of South street; east on said South street to Delaware street; south on Delaware street to McCarty street; thence east on McCarty street to New Jersey street; thence south on New Jersey street to Coburn street; and that the Citizens' Street Railway Company be, and is hereby, directed to construct the said line at once.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to serve a copy of this resolution upon the proper officers of said company, in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance authorizing the construction, extension and operation of certain Passenger Railways in, and upon, the streets of the city of Indianapolis," ordained January 18th, 1864.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 972, *ante*) was read, and on motion by Alderman Chandler, was referred to the Joint Committees on Railroads:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the said Council and Board deem it expedient that a line of street railway be constructed, to commence and connect with the Washington street line at the corner of Blackford street, north on said Blackford street to New York street; thence west on New York street to Blake street; thence north on Blake street to Indiana avenue. The City Clerk is hereby directed to serve a copy of this resolution upon the proper officers of said company, in accordance with the provisions of section 15, of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance authorizing the construction, extension, and operation of certain Passenger Railways in and upon the streets of the city of Indianapolis," ordained January 18th, 1864.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 971, *ante*) was read:

That the Lafayette Railroad Co. and property holders be permitted to grade and gravel the street west of the Lafayette Railroad tracks, between North and Walnut streets, at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Alderman Layman moved that the action of the Common Council in adopting the foregoing motion, be not concurred in; the ground in question not being a public street, the city has no jurisdiction over the same.

Which motion to not concur was adopted.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council) were read, and were severally adopted:

That Andrew Schmidt be, and is hereby, granted permission to grade and pave with brick, the sidewalk in front of his property, lots 21 and 22, square 9, corner Beecher and Shelby streets, at his own expense, and under direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the proper stakes.

That Michael Criqui be, and is hereby, granted permission to grade and gravel the sidewalk in front of his property, lots No. 1, 2 and 3, Criqui's sub. southeast add., at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the proper stakes.

That George Wagner be, and is hereby, granted permission to grade and gravel the sidewalk in front of his property, lot No. 12, Munson's subdivision Burkemeyer's addition, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the proper stakes.

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, directed to notify the owners of "72½ feet off west end of lots 5 and 6, square No. 75," to protect the foundation of the building on aforesaid ground, by underpinning same, the said foundation being about two feet above the proper grade of the alley along said property.

That the City Marshal is hereby instructed to notify the Street Railroad Company to forthwith repair their tracks from Washington street, north on East street to Ohio street, and east on Ohio street to Noble street.

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, instructed to examine the gutters at the intersection of Mississippi street and the north side of Indiana avenue, and the intersection of Vermont street and north side of Indiana avenue; and report to the Board of Public Improvements the best manner of improving said gutters, whether by culvert or otherwise; and that said Board are hereby ordered to improve said gutters, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer.

That David A. Haywood be granted 60 days further time from March 1st, 1880, to complete his contract for grading and graveling Newman street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Seventh street.

The following entitled ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were severally read the first time :

- Ap. O. 17, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the Salaries and Compensations of City Officers, City Janitor, and officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments.
- Ap. O. 18, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.
- G. O. 11, 1880—An Ordinance to amend section 15 of an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance authorizing the construction, extension, and operation of certain Passenger Railways in and upon the streets of the city of Indianapolis," ordained January 18th, 1864.
- G. O. 12, 1880—An Ordinance providing for the Assessment of Real and Personal Property in the city of Indianapolis, for the purpose of taxation, for the year 1880.
- S. O. 21, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the alley between Park avenue and Broadway street, from Cherry street to Christian avenue.
- S. O. 24, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Wilson street and sidewalks, between Hill avenue and the C., O., C. and I. R. R. Co.'s track.
- S. O. 26, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for bowldering and curbing the east gutter of Pennsylvania street, from St. Clair street to Pratt street.

On motion by Alderman Layman, the rules were suspended, by the following vote, for the purpose of placing Ap. O. 17 and 18, G. O. 12, and S. O. 26, on their second and third reading and final passage, viz :

**AYES**, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

**NAYS**—None.

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

- S. O. 26, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for bowldering and curbing the east gutter of Pennsylvania street, from St. Clair street to Pratt street.



And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

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

Ap. O. 17, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the Salaries and Compensations of City Officers, City Janitor, and officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments. (Amount appropriated, \$28,102.25.)

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

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

Ap. O. 18, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. (Amount appropriated, \$100.)

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS,—None.

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

G. O. 12, 1880—An Ordinance providing for the Assessment of Real and Personal Property in the City of Indianapolis, for the purpose of taxation, for the year 1880.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM COMMITTEES.

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

To the President and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report thereon as follows:

1st. Is a motion to grant Henry Guetig, proprietor of the Spencer House, permission to erect a business sign in front of his premises on south Illinois street.

We recommend that said permit be granted, providing he complies with all existing ordinances regulating the same.

2d. Is a motion as to the necessity of bowldering and curbing all gutters on new street improvements; also old gutters in the central part of the city.

After due consideration, we would recommend that in all new street improvements, the gutters be bowldered and the street improved from gutter to gutter, and the gutters in the center of the city, where not already improved, be bowldered as fast as practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. Drew,  
Hiram Seibert,  
W. F. Piel,  
Aldermanic Committee.

#### PENDING ORDINANCES.

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

S. O. 52, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for the improvement of Tennessee street, from Ohio street to First street, by grading and graveling the roadway, and bowldering the gutters thereof.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 17, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling First street, from Pennsylvania street to Meridian street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Drew, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, and President Ridenour.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

J. M. RIDENOUR, President.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.