

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION—MARCH 18, 1889.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 18th, A. D. 1889, at 7:30 o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Caleb S. Denny, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 20 members, viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

ABSENT, 5—viz: Councilmen Coy, Kelley, O'Connor, Pearson, and Swain.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the adjourned session held February 25th, and of the regular session held March 4th, 1889, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

OPENING AND REFERRING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Sealed proposals for street improvements were received and returned to the contractors without opening, pending the decision of the Courts on recent laws enacted by the late General Assembly.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM COMMITTEE ON CONTRACTS.

The Committee on Contracts, through Councilman Darnell, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom were referred the proposals received December 17, 1888, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows:

For grading and graveling the first alley north of Louisiana street, from East street to New Jersey street.

Robert Kennington.....	40	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. L. Fisher	39	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. W. Hudson.....	35	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
T. A. Greene.....	35	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Geo. W. Buchanan.....	34	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
L. A. Fulmer.....	30	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Michael Flaherty.....	29½	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Cooper & Haywood....	29	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
R. P. Dunning.	29	cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Being a tie bid, and the same being low, we recommend the contract be awarded to Cooper & Haywood.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Darnell,
C. H. Stuckmeyer,
Committee on Contracts.

Which report was received, and action thereon postponed.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following entitled affidavits, now on file in the office of the City Clerk, for the collection of street improvement assessments by precepts, to-wit:

J. L. Spaulding vs. Fransiska Schrotte, for.....	\$12 16
J. L. Spaulding vs. A. H. Burt, and unknown parties, for.....	15 25
J. L. Spaulding vs. A. H. Burt, and unknown parties, for.....	15 25
J. L. Spaulding vs. A. H. Burt, and unknown parties, for.....	15 25

Respectfully submitted, JNO. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk.

Which report was received, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz: Councilmen Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Long, McClelland, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS, 5—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Markey, and Parkinson.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I find that the Brush Electric Light & Power Company have put in incandescent wires and lights, from the arc circuit.

On March 11th, 1889, I sent the following communication to Hon. Jno. Caven, President of said Company:

“DEAR SIR:—I notice that your company have put in incandescent electric wires and lights at June’s restaurant, Craig’s confectionary and Harry Walker’s, from arc circuits. This is clearly a violation of Sections 5 and 12, of General Ordinance No 44, 1888. It therefore becomes my duty, in compliance with the provisions of Sections 4 and 11, to notify you of such violation; and if the same is not stopped at once, it will become my further duty to report the facts to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, for such action as they may deem proper.”

Since sending the above communication, I find the company has evidently violated both the letter and spirit of General Ordinance No. 44, of 1888, in the work already done, and Mr. Caven has shown no disposition to respect said ordinance, because, as I understood him, it has no specific penal clause; that is, such a clause as will authorize the imposition of a fine in a proceeding before the Mayor.

I think the work already done, and that which is threatened by the President of said company, endangers both life and property, which were the controlling reasons for the passage of the ordinance referred to.

I think the ordinance ought to be amended, by the addition of a specific penal clause, and that in the matter of the work already done by the Brush company, you should exercise your authority under Section 4 thereof, and stop all further work without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. SHAWYER, City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Gasper offered the following resolution :

4 WHEREAS, The City Civil Engineer has communicated to this body the information that the Brush Electric Light & Power Company, of this city is not complying with the terms and provisions of G. O. No. 44, of 1888 ; therefore

Resolved, That no money be paid said Brush Electric Light & Power Company for and on account of electric light furnished to the city under its present contract with the city, so long as said company fails to comply with the terms and provisions of said ordinance.

Councilman Cummings moved that the above resolution be referred to the Committee on Public Light, with instructions to report this evening.

Which motion failed of adoption, by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Darnell, Dunn, Elliott, Thalman, Trusler and Wilson.

NAYS, 13—viz: Councilmen Burns, Davis, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Smith, and Stuckmeyer.

The resolution offered by Councilman Gasper, was then adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 16—viz: Councilmen Burns, Davis, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, and Wilson.

NAYS, 7—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Darnell, Dunn, Elliott, Kelley, Thalman, and Trusler.

Councilman Gasper introduced the following entitled ordinance, which was read the first time :

G. O. 7, 1889—An ordinance amending an ordinance entitled "An ordinance authorizing the construction and regulating the operation and maintenance of incandescent and arc electric lighting and power plants in the City of Indianapolis;" ordained November 19th, 1888.

On motion by Councilman Gasper, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above entitled ordinance—G. O. 7, 1889—on its final passage, by the following vote :

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS, 2—viz: Councilmen Darnell, and Kelley.

The ordinance—G. O. 7, 1889—was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliot, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS, 1—viz: Councilman Kelley.

The following resignation was presented, read and accepted :

Indianapolis, March 15th, 1889,

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

Gentlemen:—In accordance with a request of your honorable bodies, I have performed the duties of a member of the Board of Health, and also those of Secretary. I hereby most respectfully tender my resignation of said positions, and sincerely thank my friends for the kindness they have manifested toward me.

Very respectfully, S. E. EARP.

Councilman Davis offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Dr. O. B. Pettijohn act as Secretary of the Board of Health until the Board is legally organized.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Councilmen Darnell, Davis, Gasper, Pearson, Smith, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS, 14—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, and Stuckmeyer.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Public Light, through Councilman Trusler, submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Light, together with like committee of the Board of Aldermen, and City Civil Engineer, after a thorough examination of the district, and streets lighted with electric light, have ordered the gas company to discontinue the lighting of eighty-nine lamps in said district. This includes thirty lamps on north Meridian street, between Circle and Seventh streets, which your committee thought advisable, the gas company having given their consent, so as to test the efficiency of the electric lights on thoroughly shaded streets.

Respectfully submitted,

P. C. Trusler,
J. C. Finch,
Thomas Markey,
Committee on Public Light.

The Committee on Public Property, through Councilman Davis, submitted the following report; which was approved :

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Property submit the following bills for work and materials furnished in improving Garfield Park :

Francke & Schindler, hardware.....	\$ 7 86
Fraser Bros. and Colburn, lumber.....	109 28
Pay-roll for week ending March 9th.....	34 69
Pay-roll for week ending March 16th.....	61 50

\$213 33

Respectfully submitted,

Recommend payment.

Wm. E. Davis,
P. C. Trusler,
W. M. Hicklin,
Committee on Public Property.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred sundry matters, report thereon as follows :

1st. With reference to the petition of W. O. Patterson and others, asking for the opening of a street from the east line of Talbott's Addition to Central avenue, along the south line of the Exposition grounds, report that the last Legislature passed a law prohibiting the opening of streets through the State Fair grounds. Therefore we report back the petition, with the information that the petition can not legally be granted.

2d. With reference to the petition of Louisa A. Wright and others, asking for the reducing the width of Carlos, or Minnesota street, between Morris and Wisconsin streets, report that the petition is so indefinite in terms that it is impossible to ascertain the wishes of the petitioners; and further, that there was no plat accompanying the petition, and therefore we recommend that no action be taken in the matter until a new petition, with plat accompanying the same, shall be filed.

Respectfully submitted, Edward Dunn,
Elton B. Elliott,
C. H. Stuckmeyer,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The Rental Committee, through the City Clerk, submitted the following report; which was received :

Indianapolis, Ind., March 4, 1889.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Rental Committee, having charge of the renting of Tomlinson Hall, beg leave to report the following rent collected for the month of February, 1889, to-wit :

Feb. 2. Punch and Judy show.....	\$ 20 00
" 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9. State Poultry show.....	180 00
" 18 & 19. K. of P. Lodge.....	80 00
" 24. Seventh day Adventists.....	20 00
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	\$300 00

Respectfully submitted, G. S. WRIGHT,
WM. L. TAYLOR,
JNO. W. BOWLUS,
Rental Committee.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read :

To the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen in regular session held in the Aldermanic Chamber Monday evening, February 25th, 1889, adopted the following resolution :

"Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, instructed to notify the Citizens' Street Railroad Company to comply with the provisions of General Ordinance No. 1, 1888, and also the provisions of a resolution adopted March 12th, 1888, in reference to conductors and platforms."

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen :
MICHAEL W. TOOMEY, Clerk.

Councilman Trusler moved that the resolution be referred to a Special Committee, and demanded the previous question.

The demand for the previous question failed by the following vote :

AYES, 11—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Elliott, Finch, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Smith, Swain, Thalman, and Trusler.

NAYS, 12—viz: Councilmen Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, Parkinson, Stuckmeyer, and Wilson.

Councilman Trusler then moved that the resolution be referred to a Special Committee.

Which motion was adopted.

Whereupon the Chair appointed as such Committee Councilmen Trusler, Kelley and Smith.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following entitled ordinances were introduced and severally read the first time :

By Councilman Cummings, which were referred to the City Attorney :

S. O. 26, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with Filbert Vulcanite or Sheet Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Mississippi street, widening the sidewalks to a width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, from the south line of Ohio street to the south line of Washington street.

S. O. 27, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with Filbert Vulcanite or Sheet Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Tennessee street, bowldering between the rails of the tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad, and widening the sidewalks to a width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, from the north line of Washington street to the north line of Ohio street; and requiring the Citizens' Street Railroad Company to pay a portion of the costs thereof, as provided for in General Ordinance No. 4, 1884.

S. O. 28, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with Filbert Vulcanite or Sheet Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Ohio street, bowldering between the rails of the tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad, and widening the sidewalks to a width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, from the west line of Tennessee street to the west line of Mississippi street; and requiring the Citizens' Street Railroad Company to pay a portion of the costs thereof, as provided for in General Ordinance No. 4, 1884.

By Councilman Johnston :

S. O. 29, 1889—An ordinance to repeal Special Ordinance No. 62, 1888, being an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for grading and graveling the first alley south of Palmer street, running through from Union street to Meridian street;" ordained and established September 24th, 1888.

On motion by Councilman Johnston, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above entitled ordinance—S. O. 29, 1889—on its final passage, by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The ordinance—S. O. 29, 1889—was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

By Councilman Swain :

S. O. 30, 1889—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes,) on New Jersey street, between Home avenue and Seventh street.

On motion, the following entitled ordinances were ordered stricken from the files :

S. O. 84, 1888—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with Filbert Vulcanite Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Ohio street, widening the sidewalks to a width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, from the west line of Tennessee street to the west line of Mississippi street.

S. O. 85, 1888—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with Filbert Vulcanite Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Mississippi street, widen the sidewalks to a width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, from the south line of Ohio street to the south line of Washington street.

S. O. 86, 1888—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with Filbert Vulcanite Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Tennessee street, bowldering between the rails of the tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad, and widening the sidewalks to a width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, from the north line of Washington street to the north line of Ohio street.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Darnell offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to extend its main from Mississippi street west in Seventh street to Howard street, and locate fire hydrants according to contract, under the direction of the Chief Fire Engineer.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Darnell presented the following petition, accompanied with plat; which was referred to the City Commissioners :

Indianapolis, Ind., March 11, 1889.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner, Gilbert M. Brooke, herewith submits his plat of Brooke's North Tennessee Street Addition, being a subdivision of Lot 9, in Henderson's addition to the City of Indianapolis, and he respectfully asks your honorable bodies to approve of the same.

GILBERT M. BROOKE, *Ag't*
by A. B. COLE, Ag't.

Councilman Darnell presented the following petition, accompanied with plat; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, interested property owners in the vicinity of Eleventh, or Herbert street, most respectfully petition your honorable bodies to cause said Eleventh or Herbert street to be opened and extended to a uniform width of fifty (50) feet, from the first alley west of Illinois street to Illinois street, by condemning and appropriating seventeen (17) feet off of the north end of Lot 24, in Hendersen's addition to the City of Indianapolis. A plat of said proposed opening is herewith filed, marked exhibit "A," and made a part of this petition.

Fahnley & McCrea, Fred. Fahnley, R. H. McCrea,
Chas. M. Raschig, Sol. Claypool.

Councilman Davis presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and City Attorney:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 4, 1889.

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

Gentlemen:—In the matter of an erroneous assessment for improvements on Lot No. 11, in the Exchange Land Company's Subdivision of Out-lot No. 183, City of Indianapolis, I hereby petition for rebate of taxes for the years 1886 and 1887, on \$1,400 appraisement, at the rate of \$1.12 per \$100 valuation, amounting to \$31 36, the same being the city tax proper,—allowance having been made by the County Commissioners for the county tax.

Very respectfully,

JOHN J. MINTHORN.

I hereby certify that the above claim is correct, and that Mr. Minthorn is justly entitled to rebate in the above amount, the improvements having been erroneously charged to him.

CHAS. M. TYLER, Deputy Township Assessor.

Councilman Dunn offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That John A. Benson be permitted to lay a cement pavement in front of his property at No. 220 West Washington street at his own expense, under direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Elliott offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby directed, to notify the property owners on the east side of Bellefontaine street, between Home avenue and Lincoln avenue, to at once repair the sidewalk in front of their property.

Councilman Elliott offered the following motion and petition; which were referred to the Committee on Fire Department and Chief Fire Engineer, with instructions to report at the next meeting:

That the City Civil Engineer be ordered to advertise for the building of a twelve hundred barrel cistern at the corner of Yandes and Tenth streets.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—In view of the fact that many of our homes are located at a distance of from 2500 to 4000 feet from any fire cistern, or other available water suitable for fire protection, we therefore petition your honorable bodies to pass an ordinance providing for the building of a fire cistern of (1200) twelve hundred barrel capacity at or near the crossing of Yandes and Tenth street, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Yours Respectfully,

A. W. Kessler, Alice Kerr, F. M. Derry, Frank Behymer,
and 38 others.

Councilman Finch offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That James Landers be permitted to relay the sidewalk with stone in front of his residence on East Washington street, the work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Gasper offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light :

That a 2000-candle power arc electric light be erected at the corner of Noble and Michigan streets, under the contract with the Brush Electric Light Co.

Councilman Gaul offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the name of Minnesota street, as shown on the recorded plat as Drake and Buells subdivision of the Peru & Indianapolis Railroad Company's addition to the City of Indianapolis, be changed, and to be hereafter known and designated as Carlos street.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Perrson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Gaul offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department :

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby directed, to advertise for proposals for construction of one 1000-barrel cistern at the crossing of Carlos and Ray street.

Councilman Gaul offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner notify the T. H. & I. Railroad Company to plank their crossing on Thomas street the width of the street and sidewalk.

Councilman Gaul presented the following petition ; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys :

Indianapolis, Ind., March 18, 1889.

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, interested property owners in the vicinity of Dakota street, would most respectfully petition your honorable bodies to vacate twenty feet off of the west side of said Dakota street, from Morris street to the southeast corner of Lot 43 in Peru & Indianapolis Railroad Co.'s south addition to the city of Indianapolis. A plat of said proposed vacation is herewith filed and made a part of this petition, and marked "Exhibit A."

THE W. F. PIEL COMPANY,
W. F. Piel, Sr., Pres't.; P. C. Wetzels, F. Peters.

Councilman Hicklin presented a petition from the Legislative Committee of D. A. 106, K. of L., in reference to men employed in the Street Repair Department.

Councilman Trusler moved that said petition be not received or considered.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 13—viz: Councilmen Darnell, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Smith, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS, 10—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Davis, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Markey, Parkinson, and Stuckmeyer.

Councilman Kelley presented the following petition ; which was read, and the request granted :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I would most respectfully ask your honorable bodies to extend the time thirty days, in which to complete my contract, for constructing the stone abutments for the bridge over Pleasant Run, in Garfield Park. I have been unable to finish the contract in time given, on account of the bad weather at this time in the year.

Very respectfully submitted,

H. W. TIELKING.

Councilman Kelley offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light :

That the Public Light Committee be directed to report to the Council some method of lighting Shelby street, from the place where the lights now stop to the Beit Railway.

Councilman Kelley offered the following resolution ; which was referred to the Committee on Water :

Resolved, That the Water Company be directed to lay its mains on Coburn street, from East to Virginia avenue, and that fire-plugs be located thereon, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Markey offered the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby directed, to lay mains in Hanway street, west from Madison avenue, to Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad track, and to locate one fire plug at the intersection of Hanway street and the above-named railroad.

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby directed, to extend its mains from present terminus in Madison avenue southward in Madison avenue to Lincoln Lane, and to locate fire hydrants under the direction of the Chief Fire Engineer according to contract.

And they were adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Johnston, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Parkinson, Pearson, Smith, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Parkinson offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby ordered, to clean the gutters on Merrill street, from Illinois street to Missouri street.

Councilman Pearson offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That Charles Pierce be authorized to lay a stone sidewalk and stone curbing in front of his property at his residence on North Illinois street, north of North street, at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Stuckmeyer offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby directed, to bowlder the intersections of the gutters, on the southwest corner of Pine and Huron streets, to make the proper drainage of said gutters.

Councilman Swain offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That H. C. Campbell be permitted, at his own expense, to lay a brick or stone driveway across the sidewalk at his residence, on the north side of Lincoln avenue, between Broadway and College avenue. Work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Swain offered the following resolution ; which was referred to the Committee on Water :

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to extend its mains on North New Jersey, from Seventh street to the State Ditch.

Councilman Swain offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

WHEREAS, The condition of Meridian street, from New York to Seventh street, is in a very bad condition and demands immediate attention in the way of making preparations to repair it, therefore

Moved, That the matter of making such repairs be referred to a special committee of three, which shall act in conjunction with the Street Commissioner.

In compliance with the above motion, the Chair appointed Councilmen Swain, Thalman and Pearson.

Councilman Swain offered the following resolution ; which was referred to the Rental Committee :

WHEREAS, It has been decided at a meeting of the committee from Board of Trade, and one appointed from this body, that a public meeting be held at Tomlinson Hall in the near future, to organize and devise ways and means to secure the annual meeting of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at this place in 1890 ; and whereas, as such public meeting is in the general interest of the public, and not for the personal benefit of any individual corporation, or society ; therefore

Resolved, That the use of Tomlinson Hall be tendered to meeting aforesaid free of charge.

Councilman Trusler offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby directed, to open, or cause to be opened, to public travel, the alley on the north of Asbury and Miller's Orphan Home addition, from Reid street to the first alley east of Reid street.

Councilman Hicklin moved that when the Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet next Monday evening.

Which motion failed of adoption.

Councilman Wilson offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to hereafter make a day's work to consist of eight hours.

Councilman Long moved that the above motion be laid on the table.


Which failed of adoption.

The motion offered by Councilman Wilson, was then adopted.

Councilman Wilson offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby instructed, to arrest any and all persons found dumping ashes, cinders, tin cans, offal from tin shops, or garbage of any kind, at the west end of Mayhew and Drake streets, which is now being done in violation of signs posted forbidding the same.

On motion the Common Council then adjourned, at 10:59 o'clock, P. M.


....., Mayor,
President of the Common Council.

Attest: 
....., City Clerk.