

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—SEPTEMBER 16, 1889.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, September 16th, A. D. 1889, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Caleb S. Denny, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council in the Chair, and 18 members, viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

ABSENT, 7—viz: Councilmen Johnston, Kelley, Markey, O'Connor, Parkinson, Smith, and Stuckmeyer.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session held September 2d, 1889, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM THE MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—There was collected in the Mayor's Court in the month of August, the following amounts of fines and fees due to the city, to-wit:

Marshal's fees.....	\$257 00
Mayor's fees.....	196 60
Fines in city cases.....	212 20

Total.....\$665 80

I paid said sum to the County Treasurer, on the 6th inst., and filed his receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Indianapolis, Sept. 16, 1889.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

The following communication from His Honor, the Mayor, was read:

Indianapolis, Sept. 16, 1889.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The foreign delegates to the International American Congress, to convene in Washington next month, will spend the first day of November in this city. In connection with a representative of the Board of Trade, I have had some correspondence with the Department of State, concerning their entertainment while here. At a meeting of the Governors of the Board of Trade held to-day, a programme was agreed on for the reception and entertainment of these distin-

guished visitors, which, if carried out, will be creditable to our city. I was asked to invite your honorable bodies, representing the city proper, to unite with the Board of Trade in arranging and providing for this entertainment. The proposition of the Board of Trade is, that the expense, which will probably be about three hundred dollars, shall be equally divided between it and the city.

I recommend the acceptance of the proposition, and that you name a proper number of your bodies—say five from the Council and three from the Board of Aldermen—as a committee to act with the Board of Trade in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

Councilman Swain moved that four members of the Common Council be appointed, together with His Honor, the Mayor, as a Committee to act with a Committee from the Board of Trade.

Which motion was adopted, and the Chair appointed Councilmen Swain, Markey, Pearson and Hicklin as such Committee.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication; which was read:

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I desire to call your attention to the long delay of the Union Railway Company in commencing the work of constructing the viaduct provided for in G. O. No. 36, of 1886. Since the condemnation of the twenty foot strip of ground along the east side of the first alley east of Meridian street, between Georgia and South streets, to provide room for the viaduct, I have had several talks with representatives of the Union Railway Company, concerning this matter. Many excuses have been offered for the delay in commencing the work, the principal one being that some of the property owners had taken appeals from the assessment of damages awarded by the City Commissioners, the company's officials expressing the fear that unreasonably excessive damages might be finally awarded, which the company would then be compelled to pay. Some months ago I ascertained, however, that all the persons who had taken appeals, were willing to accept the amounts already fixed by the City Commissioners or by the court on appeal, respectively, in order that work might not be longer delayed. This fact was communicated to the officials of the Union Company. I awaited the regular annual meeting of the company, which occurred in July, supposing that the Directors would then order the work commenced at once. To my great surprise, however, I noticed in the city papers on the morning after the Directors' meeting had adjourned, that instead of favorable action having been taken, one of the Directors had made a bitter and denunciatory speech against the city officials for presuming to ask the company to build the viaduct at all.

I at once saw the City Attorney, and after a consultation, we agreed to call upon the Directors at an adjourned meeting which had been fixed for a few days from that time, and arranged with a resident Director to notify us of the time during their session when we could be heard. We were not notified, however; but by keeping strict watch of the movements of the Directors, we were successful in getting as near as an ante room to where the Board of Directors were in session. Our cards, which we sent in by the porter, were returned, with the endorsement that the Board was in session, and we could not be seen. We insisted that the porter should return and ask a certain member of the Board to come out for a moment. This request was complied with. After making our business known to the Director referred to, he kindly sent in for a gentleman who was, in the absence of President Ingalls, representing that official at the meeting. We were accorded a short interview by these two officials, and being informed by them that Mr. Ingalls, as President of the Board, had the entire matter of building the viaduct in his own hands, we of course did not longer insist on being admitted to the meeting, as no good could have been accomplished.

We were assured by Mr. Ingalls' representative, that it would only be a few days until that gentleman would be in the city, and that he would arrange for a meeting between us at that time. Fearing that the gentleman might forget his promise, I wrote an official letter to Mr. Ingalls, telling him of the agreement, and took occasion, at the same time, to fully lay before him the feeling of the city officials and the people concerning the long and unnecessary delays of the company in beginning work.

On the 5th of August, Mr. Ingalls officially answered my letter. I here quote it:

"Hon. C. S. DENNY, Mayor, Indianapolis, Indiana:

DEAR SIR:—I have yours of the 2d. I really have not had time to look into the matter of a viaduct, but I gathered from Mr. McCrear's remarks at the last meeting of the Board, in which I understood Mr. Malott concurred, that the city did not care about having a viaduct constructed. I have, however, sent your letter to Mr. McKeen, Vice President of the Union Railway, and asked him to kindly take it up with you, as he is more familiar with these matters than I am."

In a postscript Mr. Ingalls says:

"I can assure you that we are anxious to do anything and everything that will promote the interests of your city, as your interests are ours."

A day or two after the receipt of the above letter, I received a brief note from Mr. McKeen, saying that Mr. Ingalls had referred my letter to him, and that on his return from a two weeks' trip already arranged, he would be glad to confer with me about the viaduct matter. I have not since heard from Mr. McKeen, although his letter was written August 6th.

Mr. Ingalls' letter very much surprised me, and I again wrote to him concerning the matter. Before writing this letter, however, I had learned that he had been in the city, but had gone without notifying the City Attorney or myself, as his representative assured us should be done, and as I had personally requested.

I reminded him of this failure to send for me when here. He answered me on August 17th, stating that he had not had time to see me when here, and added: "I shall be there, however, for some time, and also Mr. McKeen, on, I think, the third of September, and will then be glad to meet you."

I understand that he and Mr. McKeen were here, at the time named, but I have not yet seen them. If any action has been taken by the company, looking to the building of the viaduct, I do not know; and judging from the actions and statements of the company's officials, outlined above, I feel justified in presuming that nothing will be done, without further action by you.

I have therefore thought it proper to present this matter to you in the way I have, that you might be fully advised as to the attitude of the company, and in order that definite action may be taken on the subject. I have prepared a resolution, which I now present for your consideration, deeming it proper to give the company time until October 10th to notify us of its intentions. If it shall not, by that time, have given this body some reasonable assurance that it will speedily comply with its contract with the city, I recommend that steps be at once taken to cause all the extra tracks laid across Meridian street to be removed, and that the City Attorney be directed to take such legal steps as may be necessary to compel the company to carry out its contract.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

His Honor, the Mayor, offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Union Railway Company has unnecessarily delayed the construction of the viaduct over its tracks between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets, as provided for in General Ordinance No. 36, 1886, and has, without authority, laid many additional tracks across Meridian street, thereby greatly increasing the hazard to life and property, the city not having ordered them removed because of the company's promises to speedily build the viaduct; and

Whereas, It has been made to appear, from the recent conduct of the officials of

said company, that no steps are being taken by them to comply with the contract made with the city concerning said matter; therefore

Resolved, That the City Attorney be, and he is hereby, instructed to take the necessary legal steps to compel said company to immediately construct said viaduct, and to cause the removal of all additional tracks laid across Meridian street since June 14, 1886, unless assurances are given to him by October 10, 1889, that said viaduct will be speedily built.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent by the City Clerk to the Secretary of the Indianapolis Union Railway Company as soon as it shall be adopted.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 17—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Clerk submitted the following report; which was read and received :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen.—I herewith submit an itemized statement showing the amount of orders drawn upon the city treasury during the month of August, 1889, viz:

Board of Health.....	\$ 273 60
City Civil Engineer's Department.....	243 01
City Commissioners.....	105 00
City Dispensary.....	363 74
City Hall.....	24 97
City Hospital and Branch.....	1,475 84
Electric Light.....	500 00
Fire Department—accounts.....	967 98
Fire Department—pay-rolls.....	5,611 00
Fountains and pumps.....	11 00
Garfield Park.....	779 04
Gas.....	3,492 16
Incidentals.....	2 00
Illinois street tunnel.....	122 00
Inter-st.....	63,296 91
Markets.....	330 05
Parks.....	209 35
Police.....	2,920 15
Printing.....	869 32
Public charity.....	50 00
Redemption of loan.....	4,700 00
Salary.....	366 83
Station House.....	336 63
Street Improvements.....	1,042 04
Street repair—accounts.....	2,022 54
Street repairs—pay-rolls.....	5,125 71
Street repairs—on account of natural gas companies.....	401 99
Tomlinson Estate.....	34 75
Tomlinson Hall—accounts.....	217 50
Tomlinson Hall—Janitors.....	108 50
Total.....	\$ 96,003 61

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

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, and the estimates (presented therewith) approved:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following estimates of work done according to contract:

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fisher & Roney, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Elizabeth street, from Blake street to Patterson street.

892.50 lineal feet of paving, at 29 cents.	\$240 55
62.00 lineal feet of double walk-stone, at 58 cents.....	35 96
35.40 square yards of bowldered wings, at 60 cents..	21 24
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	\$297 75

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fisher & Roney, for grading and graveling the north sidewalk of South street, from Tennessee street to Missouri street.

830.00 lineal feet of pavement, at 30 cents.....	\$249 00
119.80 lineal feet of double walk-stone, at 50 cents.	59 90
70.76 square yards of bowldered wings, at 60 cents.....	42 45
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	\$351 35

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fisher & Roney, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Elizabeth street, from Blake street to Douglass street.

549.90 lineal feet, at 14 cents.	\$76 97
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A first and final estimate in behalf of James W. Hudson, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Michigan street, from Blake street to Douglass street.

522.70 lineal feet of bowldering, at 40 cents	\$209 08
568 00 lineal feet of curb, at 40 cents.....	227 20
20.00 lineal feet of double walk-stone, at 50 cents.....	10 00
16.11 square yards of bowldering, at 50 cents	8 05
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	\$454 33

A first and final estimate in behalf of Cooper & Haywood, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Park avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street.

1,236 lineal feet, at 22 cents.	\$271 92
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A second and final estimate in behalf of Cooper & Haywood, for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Illinois street, from Michigan street to North street.

840.00 lineal feet of bowldering, at 62 cents.....	\$520 80
33.33 square yards of bowlders re-laid, at 35 cents.....	11 65
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	\$532 45

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. SHAWVER, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution 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 Fisher & Roney, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Elizabeth street, from Blake street to Patterson street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; 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, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Therman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution 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 Fisher & Roney, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of South street, from Tennessee street to Missouri street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; 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, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Therman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution 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 Fisher & Roney, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Elizabeth street, from Blake street to Douglass street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; 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, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Therman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution 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 W. Hudson, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Michigan street, from Blake street to Douglass street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; 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, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Therman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution 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 Cooper & Haywood, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Park avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; 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, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying second and final estimate in behalf of Cooper & Haywood, for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Illinois street, from Michigan street to North street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; 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, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, and the contracts and bonds approved:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

Contract and bond of F. M. Snyder, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Sixth street, from Delaware street to Alabama street.

Bond, \$500.00; surety, John Johnson.

Contract and bond of James E. Twiname & Co., for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, from Tenth street to Eleventh street.

Bond, \$400.00; surety, L. A. Fulmer.

Contract and bond of Roney & Dunning, for grading and graveling Raymond street and sidewalks, from East street to Singleton street.

Bond, \$8.00; surety, D. A. Haywood.

Contract and bond of Hanway & Lancaster, for grading and graveling Tenth street and sidewalks, from Illinois street to Meridian street.

Bond, \$500.00; surety, John Osterman.

Contract and bond of W. F. Gansberg, for grading and graveling Carter street and sidewalks, from Randolph street to Wolcott street.

Bond, \$1,000; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Contract and bond of Fisher & Roney, for grading and graveling Nevada street and sidewalks, from Hillside avenue to Sheldon street.

Bond, \$600.00; surety, Benj. Aldridge.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. SHAWVER, City Civil Engineer.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was read and received:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Since the last meeting of the Council, the following cases have been disposed of:

1st. Are the cases of—

THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS *vs.* CHARLES H. BUSH;
THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS *vs.* WILLIAM MOORE; and
THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS *vs.* STEPHEN MATLER.

These cases involved the constitutionality of the liquor license Act of March 11, 1889, and of General Ordinance No. 25, 1889, of the City of Indianapolis, passed pursuant to the provisions of said act. These cases attacked both the said act of the Legislature and said ordinance of the city, in this:

First—That the act itself was unconstitutional, and that therefore future licenses must be granted by the city on the payment of one hundred dollars per annum.

Second—The ordinance was attacked on the ground that unexpired licenses were contracts, and no extra fee could be collected until the expiration of said license.

Judge Howland, in a written opinion, held against both of these objections, and decided that the act was constitutional, and the ordinance in all its parts was valid.

Since that decision, all applicants for licenses have been and are now paying into the city treasury two hundred and fifty dollars as a license fee for future licenses. As to all unexpired licenses, the licensees have been paying into the bank, to the city's credit, the amount due thereon, and the city has now in bank to its credit, awaiting the final decision by the Supreme Court, whither said cases are now going, \$34,991.15.

The Court in substance held that licenses are merely permits, and have none of the elements of a contract, and that the city can exact an additional license fee from each possessor of an unexpired license. I have no doubt but what the Supreme Court will affirm the decision of the lower court in this matter.

Should the Supreme Court sustain the view here taken, the city's revenue, from this source, will be increased in the neighborhood of sixty thousand dollars per annum.

2d. Is the injunction suit of William H. Talbott *vs.* The Western Union Telegraph Company and the City of Indianapolis, in which the said Talbott asks for an injunction against the city and said company preventing them from removing said company's poles from the gutter to the sidewalk, inside of the curb line.

Judge Howland, this morning, decided the case, and refused to grant the petition for injunction on the ground that the city had ample authority to cause the removal of said poles inside the curb line; and in the course of the decision stated that the power of the city was ample to not only cause the removal of said poles from the gutter to the inside of the curb, but to even cause the wires to be put under ground at its pleasure.

And it is my judgment that the city has ample authority, when it sees fit, to cause all telegraph, telephone and electric light wires in the city to be placed under ground, giving said companies reasonable notice and time to do the work.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

The Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman McClelland, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Board of Public Improvements, to whom was referred the motion to construct a 12-inch drain pipe on the first alley north of Clifford avenue, from Lambert street to Pogue's Run, recommend the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

R. McClelland,

W. H. Wilson,

Board of Public Improvements.

The Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman McClelland, submitted the following reports; which were read and received:

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

Gentlemen:—We herewith report expenditures in the Street Repairs Department for the month of August, together with total expenditures to September 1st, 1889:

Pay-rolls.....	\$ 3,735 06
Gravel.....	433 65
Bowlders.....	182 79
Brick.....	15 00
Stone crossings.....	41 20
Broken stone.....	145 42
Sand.....	9 50
Hardware.....	52 26
Blacksmithing.....	51 64
Freight on stone.....	149 96
Lumber.....	421 96
Castings.....	3 85
Cement.....	17 00
Sewer pipe.....	79 99
Yard rent.....	45 00
Use of steam roller.....	20 00
Miscellaneous.....	8 10
Repairing Illinois street tunnel.....	27 60
Bridge repairs.....	53 10

Total expenditures for August, 1889..... \$ 5,493 08

Total expenditures per last report..... 36,659 57

Total expenditures to September 1st, 1889..... \$42,152 65

Respectfully submitted,

R. McClelland,
W. H. Wilson,
Board of Public Improvements

D. DERUITER, Street Commissioner."

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

Gentlemen:—We herewith report expenditures of work and material for the "Consumers' Gas Trust Company" for the month of August, together with total expenditures to September 1st, 1889:

Total expenditure for August, 1889..... \$ 248 72

Total expenditure per last report..... 1,278 91

Total expenditure to September 1st, 1889..... \$1,527 63

We also report expenditures for "The Indianapolis Natural Gas Company" for the month of August, 1889:

Total expenditure for August..... \$171 00

Total expenditure per last report..... 186 46

Total expenditure to September 1st, 1889..... \$357 46

We also report expenditures for the "Broad Ripple Natural Gas Company" for the month of August, 1889:

Total expenditure for August..... \$ 56 09

Total expenditure per last report..... 257 69

Total expenditure to September 1st, 1889..... \$313 78

Respectfully submitted,

R. McClelland,
W. H. Wilson,
Board of Public Improvements.

D. DERUITER, Street Commissioner.

John Osterman, Treasurer for the City, submitted the following report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 16, 1889.

Statement of the condition of the City Treasury at the close of business September 16, 1889:

RECEIPTS.

Received from Sample Loftin, ex-Treasurer.. .. .	\$42,412 43
Received from September 4, 1889, to date.....	8,196 05
	\$50,608 48

EXPENDITURES.

Warrants paid from September 4, 1889, to date.....	\$26,668 62
Balance on hand September 16, 1889.....	23,939 86
	\$50,608 48

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. OSTERMAN, Treasurer.

Councilman Thalman introduced the following entitled ordinance; which was read the first time:

Ap. O. 58, 1889—An ordinance appropriating the sum of eight hundred and forty (\$840.00) dollars to pay interest on bonded debt due October 1st, 1889, on "Sellers Farm bonds."

Councilman Thalman moved that the Rules be suspended for the purpose of placing the ordinance on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 58, 1889, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed and read the third time.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Fire Department, through Councilman Trusler, submitted the following report; which was read and received:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Fire Committee, to whom the following communication was referred—

" Indianapolis, June 3d, 1889.

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

Gentlemen:—Whereas, the painting of the buildings occupied by the Fire Department has been, and is still being done by the firemen, and as the painters and mechanics of the city are taxed to support the Department, and public safety demands that the Department be brought to as high a state of efficiency as possible, and believing that can not be done by employing firemen at other than their regular duties; therefore, be it

Resolved, By Indianapolis Union No. 47, B. of P. and D. of A., that we earnestly request the City Council to order the discontinuance of said practice.

DAVID BEAVER, Rec. Sec'y.

W. J. SMITH, Pres't."

Have to report that we have had a conference with a committee from the B. of P. and D. of A. The committee were, in our opinion, reasonable in their requests, and make no objection to repairs or painting, on a small scale; but ask that when an extensive piece of work is undertaken, such as the painting of an engine house, that the work be let by contract. There is much that may be done at odd times and in idle moments by the firemen, to keep the engine houses in repair; but the matter complained of by the B. of P. and D. of A., viz: that firemen are detailed to do work of the kind, is a valid complaint so far as the Department is concerned, in that men are compelled to do what they are not employed to do; and in many instances men who are skilled in different trades, are required to render service for which they are not paid.

We would therefore respectfully recommend that in future the attention of the Fire Committee be called to any matter of repairs or painting of any magnitude, and that such work be done by the lowest bidder.

Respectfully submitted,

P. C. Trusler,
Fred. W. Gaul,
J. C. Firch,
Fire Committee.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Public Property herewith submit a pay-roll and bills for labor and materials used in improving Garfield Park, and recommend they be paid out of the special appropriation made therefor.

Pay-roll.....	\$26 43
Francke & Schindler.....	8 02
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	\$34 45

Respectfully submitted,

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

The Committee on Sewers and Drainage, through Councilman Gasper, submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee to whom was referred S. O. No. 156, 188., "An ordinance to grade, bowlder and curb the gutters of North street, pave the sidewalks thereof, and lay a 24-inch sewer pipe line in the center of the roadway, from Meridian to Illinois streets," have personally examined the ground and surroundings, and in order to permit of said improvement, which we deem absolutely necessary to avert flooding cellars, etc., would most respectfully recommend that the same be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Gasper,
Wm. T. Long,
Committee on Sewers.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

S. O. 156, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of North street and the sidewalks thereof, and laying a twenty-four inch sewer pipe line in center of roadway from Meridian street to Illinois street, and the costs thereof.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Dunn, submitted the following report and resolution:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Harry J. Milligan, Robert B. Keith and others, asking for the vacation of all the streets and alleys located north of Ninth street, west of Hill avenue and south of Anderson street, in the Indianapolis Car Company's Second Addition to the city, your Committee report that said vacation is desired in order to re-plate the said addition so as to conform to the addition lying immediately west of the same; and on examination your Committee favor the granting of the petition, for the reason that all of that territory lying north of Ninth street, west of Hill avenue, and east of the Atlas Works, will then be uniform, the streets co-terminus and much better located than as they now exist; and we recommend that said petition be granted, and the accompanying resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Elton B. Elliott,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the petition of Harry J. Milligan, Robert B. Keith and others, praying for the vacation of all the streets and alleys located north of Ninth street and east of Hill avenue and south of Anderson street, in the Indianapolis Car Company's Second Addition to the City of Indianapolis; said streets are named as follows, to-wit: Bismarck street, Wayne street, French street and Pike street; and said alleys are all included in the territory bounded by Ninth street, Bismarck street, Anderson street and Hill avenue—be referred to the Board of City Commissioners, together with the plat accompanying the same, with instructions to assess benefits and damages caused by such vacation, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; the said Board of City Commissioners to return all petitions, plats, and notices.

The City Clerk is hereby required to issue, and the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police Force to serve, the proper notices upon the City Commissioners; and the petitioners are hereby required to serve the proper notices upon the property owners, and show, by affidavit, due service of such notices: *Provided*, That before the City Clerk issue the said notices to the City Commissioners, a bond shall be filed with the said City Clerk, to the approval of the Mayor, guaranteeing the payment of all costs and charges of said Commissioners in this matter.

Which report was received and the resolution adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Dunn, submitted the following report and resolution:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Bruce Carr, and others, asking for the vacation of a twenty (20) foot alley extending from Meridian street east to the first alley east of Meridian street and opposite to the intersection of Herbert or Eleventh street with said Meridian street, recommend that said petition be granted and the accompanying resolution be adopted, and petitioners to pay into the city treasury therefor \$400.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Elton B. Elliott,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the petition of Bruce Carr and others, praying for the vacation of the twenty foot alley extending from Meridian street east to the first alley east of Meridian street and opposite the intersection of Herbert or Eleventh street with Meridian street, be referred to the Board of City Commissioners, together with the plat accompanying the same, with instructions to assess benefits and damages caused by such vacation, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; the said Board of City Commissioners to return all petitions, plats and notices.

The City Clerk is hereby required to issue, and the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police Force to serve, the proper notices upon the property owners, and to show, by affidavit, the service of such notices: *Provided*, That before the City Clerk issue the said notices to the said City Commissioners, a bond shall be filed with the said City Clerk, to the approval of the Mayor, guaranteeing the payment of all costs and charges of said Commissioners in this matter.

Which report was received and the resolution adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, and Wilson.

NAYS, 1—viz: Councilman Trusler.

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. We recommend that the motion designating the first twenty (20) foot alley south of Palmer street, running through from Meridian street to Union street, by the name of Oklahoma street, be adopted, and that the property owners be granted permission to curb the sidewalk in front of their own property, at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

2d. We recommend that the remonstrance against the passage of Special Ordinance No., 188., providing for the grading and graveling of the first alley south of Catharine street, running from Chadwick street to Missouri street, be respected, and that the ordinance be stricken from the files.

3d. With respect to the petition of Margaret D. Gordon and others, praying for the vacation of an alley extending from Tennessee street through to Indiana avenue, your Committee report progress, and ask for further time.

4th. With reference to the petition of John Scudder and about a hundred others, asking for the regulation of the manner of sprinkling streets, we report that an ordinance is now pending before the Council relative to that matter.

5th. Your Committee report progress on the petition of August Richter and others, praying for the extension of the first alley west of Shelby street, from its present terminus through to Coburn street, and ask for further time.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Elton B. Elliott,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The following resolution was read :

Resolved, That the first 20-foot alley south of Palmer street, running through from Meridian street to Union street, be designated and known as Oklahoma street, and that the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to serve a copy of this resolution upon the Township Assessor, and he is hereby authorized to mark all maps and plats in his office accordingly.

Resolved, further, That the property owners (Wm. Karcher and others,) fronting on the north side of said above described alley, be, and are hereby, granted permission to curb the sidewalk in front of their property, at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott,, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Dunn, submitted the following report and resolution :

To the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Lucy A. Sewall, Susanna Goepper and others, asking for the vacation of a seven (7) foot alley extending from Park avenue to the first alley east thereof, lying between Lincoln avenue and Seventh street, report that in the opinion of your Committee, said alley is too narrow to be of any practical use whatever, not being wide enough for a wide-track wagon to pass through; therefore, we recommend that said petition be granted, and the accompanying resolution adopted: *Provided*, That said petitioners will pay to the city the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100 00) in addition to the costs of said proposed vacation.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Elton B. Elliott,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the petition of Lucy A. Sewall, Susanna Goepper and others, praying for the vacation of the alley running from Park avenue to the first alley east thereof, and lying between Lincoln avenue and Seventh street—said alley being about seven feet and six inches wide at Park avenue, and about six feet and nine inches wide at the east end thereof—be referred to the Board of City Commissioners, together with the plat accompanying the same, with instructions to assess benefits and damages caused by such vacation, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; the said Board of City Commissioners to return all petitions, plats and notices.

The City Clerk is hereby required to issue, and the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police Force to serve, the proper notices upon the City Commissioners; and the petitioners are hereby required to serve the proper notices upon the property owners, and to show, by affidavit, due service of such notices: *Provided*, That before the City Clerk issue the said notices to the City Commissioners, a bond shall be filed with the said City Clerk, to the approval of the Mayor, guaranteeing the payment of all costs and charges of said Commissioners in this matter.

Which report was received and the resolution adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Dunn, submitted the following report and resolution :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Theodore P. Haughey and others, praying for the vacation of the second alley east of Race street, between McIntire street and the first alley south of McIntire street, report that we have examined the same, and recommend that the petition be granted, and the accompanying resolution be adopted, said petitioners to pay into the city treasury fifty dollars in addition to the expenses of said vacation.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Elton B. Elliott,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the petition of Theodore P. Haughey and others, praying for the vacation of the second alley east of Race street and extending from McIntire street to the first alley south of McIntire street, between Lots 21 and 22, in Brett, Braden & Company's addition to the City of Indianapolis, be referred to the Board of City Commissioners, together with the plat accompanying the same, with instructions to assess benefits and damages caused by such vacation, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and said Board of City Commissioners to return all petitions, plats and notices.

The City Clerk is hereby required to issue, and the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police Force to serve, the proper notices upon the City Commissioners; and the petitioners are hereby required to serve the proper notices upon the property owners, and to show, by affidavit, due service of such notices: *Provided*, That before the City Clerk issue the said notices to the City Commissioners, a bond shall be filed with the City Clerk, to the approval of the Mayor, guaranteeing the payment of all costs and charges of said Commissioners in this matter.

Which report was received and the resolution adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

On motion by Councilman Darnell, the following entitled ordinance was ordered stricken from the files :

G. O. 39, 1889—An ordinance authorizing the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company to lay a switch track across Delaware street, and in and along the north side of Chesapeake street, from Delaware street to a point fifty feet east of Pennsylvania street.

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 :

G. O. 47, 1889—An ordinance requiring the C., C., C. & St. L. Railroad Company to station and maintain a flagman at the crossing of its track and west Ohio street.

On motion by Councilman Cummings, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above entitled ordinance—G. O. 47, 1889—on its final passage, by the following vote :

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

G. O. 47, 1889, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed and read the the third time.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gasper, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

By Councilman Thalman :

G. O. 48, 1889—An ordinance to provide for the grading, widening and repairing of the levee on the left or south bank of Fall Creek, from a point two hundred feet east of Central avenue to Tennessee street, and building the necessary breakwaters and rip-raps therein, and the collection of the costs thereof.

By Councilman Coy :

S. O. 179, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the northeast sidewalk of Virginia avenue, from Washington street to South street, where not already properly done, and the costs thereof.

By Councilman Elliott :

S. O. 180, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Yandes street and sidewalks, from the Belt Railroad to Bruce street, and for the costs thereof.

By Councilman Finch :

S. O. 181, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Vermont street and sidewalks, from Hanna street to Preston street, and for the costs thereof.

By Councilman McClelland :

S. O. 182, 1889—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the west side of Archer street, from the south side of John street to the north side of Clifford avenue, and the costs thereof.

By Councilman Trusler :

S. O. 183, 1889—An ordinance to provide for constructing a brick sewer three (3) feet internal diameter, in and along Shelby street, from Arlington street to Pleasant Run.

S. O. 184, 1889—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes,) on Woodlawn avenue, between Linden street and Reid street.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Burns offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair the gutter on the west side of West street, at the corner of Maryland street.

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

That the Committee on Public Light be directed to place at the crossing of the Union tracks and East street, an electric light, for the safety of said crossing.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to lay a single stone crossing on South street, at the alley between New Jersey street and Virginia avenue.

Councilman Coy offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Judah heirs be, and are hereby, granted permission to pave with cement the sidewalk in front of their property, Nos. 115, 117 and 119, east Washington street; work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Cummings offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be ordered to clean the gutters and repair the same, on Park avenue, from Seventh street to Christian avenue.

Councilman Gasper was excused for the balance of the session.

Councilman Darnell offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to notify the Telephone Company to move their poles off of the west sidewalk of Illinois street, from Thirtieth street to Fall Creek, to the outer edge of said walk, the same to remain there until further orders.

Councilman Davis offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to lower the sidewalks to the proper grade on Blake street, from Indiana avenue to the first alley south of Indiana avenue; and the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes.

Councilman Davis offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the voting places in the Fourteenth Ward at the General City Election to be held on Tuesday, October 8th, 1889, be as follows, to-wit :

1st Precinct—At the southwest corner of Blake and Michigan streets.
2d “ At the northwest corner of Blake and Michigan streets.

All in lieu of the voting places heretofore adopted.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Thalman offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the following changes be made in the officers to serve in the precincts named in said city, at the General City Election to be held on Tuesday, October 8th, 1889 :

FIRST WARD.

1st Precinct—Al. G. Hardin, Inspector, in lieu of Newton Todd.

THIRD WARD.

2d Precinct—N. S. Byram, Inspector, in lieu of Jas. L. Fletcher; G. R. Root, Judge, in lieu of N. S. Byram.

FOURTH WARD.

1st Precinct—Edward Jones, Inspector, in lieu of Richard Mason.

2d Precinct—John McGee, Judge, in lieu of Michael Brown.

FIFTH WARD.

1st Precinct—Daniel Monninger, Judge, in lieu of Irvin Robbins.

2d Precinct—Gerard Blue, Judge, in lieu of Henry Tutewiler.

SIXTH WARD.

1st Precinct—John Landers, Judge, in lieu of Charles R. Meyers.

SEVENTH WARD.

1st Precinct—August Schmidt, Judge, in lieu of Chris. Schad.

2d Precinct—M. H. Field, Judge, in lieu of Jacob Voorhis.

3d Precinct—George W. Thompson, Judge, in lieu of G. W. Stumpf.

NINTH WARD.

1st Precinct—Felix Deitch, Judge, in lieu of G. A. Deitch.

TENTH WARD.

1st Precinct—Joseph Staub, Judge, in lieu of F. A. Bryan.

TWELFTH WARD.

1st Precinct—R. R. Miles, Inspector, in lieu of F. J. Van Vorhis.

THIRTEENTH WARD.

2d Precinct—Jno. J. Truckses, Inspector, in lieu of Henry Werbe; Joseph Gardner, Judge, in lieu of F. J. Vogt.

FOURTEENTH WARD.

1st Precinct—Edward T. Pedlow, Judge, in lieu of Charles Overman.

2d Precinct—Don. D. Wells, Inspector, in lieu of J. L. Evans; Elisha Kise, Judge, in lieu of Edward Dudy.

SIXTEENTH WARD.

1st Precinct—John D. Fournace, Inspector, in lieu of Adam Scott.

SEVENTEENTH WARD.

2d Precinct—Thomas Gambold, Inspector, in lieu of Benj. F. Heatherington.

EIGHTEENTH WARD.

2d Precinct—J. W. Murphy, Inspector, in lieu of Fred. Steinhauer; C. C. Cornelius, Judge, in lieu of J. W. Murphy.

TWENTY-FIFTH WARD.

3d Precinct—John Sourbeer, Inspector, in lieu of James R. Sourbeer—mistake of name.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Elliott offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, ordered to extend its mains in and along Seventh street, from Bellefontaine avenue to Columbia avenue, and thence south in and along Columbia avenue to Lincoln avenue; and the Chief Fire Engineer is hereby directed to superintend the placing of fire hydrants on said line.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby directed to lay a double stone crossing across Virginia avenue, near the center of the square between Delaware and Washington streets.

Councilman Kelley offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to notify the owner of the property at 82 Stevens street, to at once repair the sidewalk in front of that number, as the same is very defective, and dangerous to pedestrians.

Councilman Long presented the following proposition ; which was accepted :

To the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana, and

The Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind :

Gentlemen.—We will furnish thirteen thousand cubic yards of earth, and place the same on the north side of Michigan street, commencing at the east abutment of the bridge over White River, on said street, thence east to the Mill Race, said earth to be so distributed as to make the fill and roadway of even width throughout its

entire length, all of said work to be done to your satisfaction, and under your direction, you paying us 25 cents per cubic yard therefor; said payments to be made from time to time as the work is done.

JOSEPH F. FLACK,
C. E. SHOVER.

Councilman Markey offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to raise the bowlders in the gutters of Delaware street, on the east side of the street, from McCarty street fifty feet north.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to lay a double stone crossing across Merrill street, at the north end of Ketcham street.

Councilman Swain offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Fire Engineer locate fire plugs on New Jersey street, north of Seventh street, as per contract with the Water Company.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Swain offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the Street Commissioner order the property holder whose property abuts on the alley between Park avenue and Broadway street, running from Home avenue south to the first alley running east and west, to clear the same of surplus dirt and gravel, until it conforms with the established grade, the City Civil Engineer to fix such grade.

That A. Kiefer be permitted to pave the sidewalks in front of and alongside of his property at the corner of Alabama and Seventh streets; work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That Elizabeth Nicholson be permitted to pave alongside her property in the alley at the corner of the alley between Park avenue and Broadway street, on the south side of Home avenue; work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, and at her own expense.

That the Street Commissioner build a wooden bridge across the State Ditch on north Pennsylvania street, at a cost not to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00.)

That J. S. & S. S. Adams be, and are hereby, granted permission to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of their property on Nevada street, between Hill avenue and Sheldon street. This work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at their own expense.

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

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Washington street and vicinity, between East and Liberty streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance for opening and extending the first thirty-foot alley south of Washington street through to Liberty street, by continuing said alley east until

it strikes the north line of property or right-of-way of the Lake Erie & Western Railway: thence along the north side of said railway property to Liberty street. A plat of said proposed opening is herewith filed, marked exhibit "A," and made a part of this petition.

Mollie A. Ralston, 17 feet; Fred. P. Rush & Co, 25 feet; George Youngerman; Sophia E. Rhodes, 17 feet; J. Budwestsky, by T. H. Spann, 20 feet.

Councilman Trusler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, ordered to extend its mains along Woodlawn avenue, from Linden street to Reid street; hydrants to be located under the direction of the Chief Fire Engineer.

And it was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Darnell, Davis, Dunn, Elliott, Finch, Gaul, Hicklin, Kelley, Long, Markey, McClelland, O'Connor, Pearson, Swain, Thalman, Trusler, and Wilson.

NAYS—None.

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, to whom was referred the following motion—

"That the Committee on Public Light be directed to place at the crossing of the Union tracks and East street an electric light, for the safety of said crossing"—

Recommend the adoption of said motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Councilman Wilson offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to straighten the curb stones on West street, west side, from Indiana avenue to McIntire street.

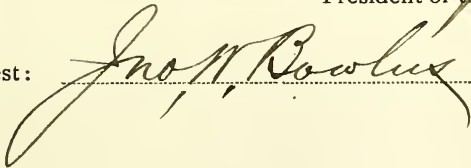
On motion, the Common Council then adjourned, at 10:30 o'clock, P. M.



_____, Mayor,

President of the Common Council.

Attest:



_____, City Clerk.