

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

CALLLED SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1867, 7 o'clock, P. M. }

The Common Council met pursuant to the following call :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Indianapolis, July 31, 1867. }

To the Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—A special meeting of the Council will be held in the Council¹ Chamber to-morrow evening (August 1st) at 7 o'clock, for the transaction of such business as may come before it.
You are hereby notified to attend.

Respectfully,
DANIEL MACAULEY, Mayor..

We whose names are hereto signed, acknowledge service of within notice this August 1, 1867.

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| A. P. STANTON, | THOMAS COTTRELL, |
| HENRY COBURN, | WM. H. HENSCHEN, |
| J. B. MACARTHUR, | AUSTIN H. BROWN, |
| H. GEISEL, served but would not sign. | |
| J. H. WOODBURN, | P. H. JAMESON, |
| S. A. COLLEY, said it was not necessary to sign. | |
| A. SEIDENSTICKER, | W. H. LOOMIS, |
| J. W. DAVIS. | |

Served by presenting the above call to the Councilmen whose names are endorsed above, Aug. 1st, 1867

JOHN UNVERSAW, *City Marshal.*
Per SCUDDER, Deputy.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, in the chair, and the following members:

Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Colley, Cottrell, Davis, Geisel, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—13.

Absent—Councilmen Burgess, Goddard, Kappes, and Schmidt—4.

His Honor, the Mayor, announced that the special order was the completing of the Board of Registers.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following resignation :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 31, 1867.

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

The undersigned would respectfully ask to be relieved from serving on the Board of Enrollment for the 7th Ward, as it would conflict with my business to the injury of others beside myself.

Very respectfully,

V. ROTHROCK.

Which was accepted.

Dr. Jameson offered the following resignation :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 29, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to inform your honorable body that it will be out of my power to serve as a member of the Board of Registry for the 1st Ward.

W. H. CRAFT.

Which was accepted.

His Honor, the Mayor, offered the following resignation :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 29, 1867.

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

I hereby resign my position as member of Board of Registry of the 1st Ward.

J. W. M. LANGSDALE,
per MACAULEY.

Which was accepted.

His Honor, the Mayor, announced that nominations were in order to fill the vacancies occasioned by the above resignations.

Nominations were then made as follows :

John Marsee, to fill the vacancy of Mr. Rothrock of the Seventh Ward.

Samuel Hanway, to fill the vacancy of Wm. H. Craft of the First Ward.

David Powell, to fill the vacancy of J. M. W. Langsdale of the First Ward.

The above named candidates were then balloted for and elected.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That the gutters on the west side of Illinois street be raised and the boulders thereon be securely placed so as to protect the tiles lately placed beneath the same, and that the Board of Public Improvements and Engineer be directed to contract for the doing of the same in accordance with the plans of the Engineer.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements and Civil Engineer.

Mr. Brown, also, offered the following motion :

That the Board of Public Improvements be instructed to have the south half of the culvert on Illinois street, at the crossing of McNabb street constructed in the same manner as the north half, either by the Street Commissioner or by contract.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Coburn asked permission of the Council to record his vote upon the ordinance appropriating money to the National Singers' Festival, as he was absent at the time the ordinance passed.

Permission was granted and he voted in the negative.

Mr. Coburn offered the following motion :

That the City Auditor be directed to make the estimate for the grading and graveling of Kentucky Avenue against the city on the grounds fronting the cemetery.

Which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney.

Mr. Davis offered the following motion :

That the Street Railroad Company be and are hereby required to properly plank or bowlder the street crossings along the line of their road, that have not been bowldered or planked.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Geisel presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug 1, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Frederick Borst respectfully represents that he was the owner of a city order numbered 226, dated April 26, 1866, issued by your present City Auditor to Thomas R. Shea, and from whom I bought the same. The order has been lost or destroyed by me, and was for twenty-five dollars. I respectfully ask you to direct the City Auditor to issue me a duplicate order. I am willing to give you bond and security to indemnify you against any loss should the original order ever be presented for redemption, and your petitioner will ever pray.

FREDERICK BORST.

Which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Dr. Jameson offered the following motion :

That the Committee on the revision of ordinances be directed to report an ordinance amending the rules so as to have the regular meetings of the Council on each Monday night as before the adoption of the present rules.

Mr. Coburn moved the matter be deferred until Monday, August 12th, 1867.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Loomis offered the following motion :

That so much of the report of the Board of Public Improvements awarding the contract for paving with brick, and curbing the outer edges of the sidewalk with stone, awarded at last meeting to Chas. S. Rooney, be reconsidered, and that the bids on the same be referred to the Civil Engineer with instructions to report next Monday evening.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Loomis, also, offered the following motion :

That the City Clerk be directed to advertise two insertions in the city daily papers on Saturday and Monday, notifying voters to call at the respective places of voting in the several wards and record their names as provided by law.

Which was adopted.

Mr. MacArthur introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 47—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to the Indianapolis Benevolent Society,

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

By common consent the rules were suspended and the question of vacation of part of Biddle street was taken up.

The question being, shall the prayer of the petition be granted, Mr. Brown called for the ayes and noes.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Davis, Loomis, MacArthur and Woodburn—6.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Coburn, Colley, Geisel, Henschen, Jameson and Seidensticker—6.

There being a tie vote, His Honor, the Mayor, gave the casting vote in the affirmative.

So the prayer of the petition was granted and the vacation ordered.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Seidensticker called up general ordinance No. 94, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE regulating the appointment of Special Policemen and conferring of Special Police powers,

Which, on motion by Mr. Davis, was deferred until Monday, Aug. 5th, 1867.

Mr. Seidensticker called up special appropriation ordinance No. 46—1867, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis,

Which was read the second time.

Dr. Jameson moved that the portion of the ordinance relating to Sheriff's fees be stricken out, and the bills be referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Which was adopted.

The ordinance was then ordered to be engrossed.

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Dr. Jameson called up general ordinance No. 92—entitled:

AN ORDINANCE providing for the weighing of coal,

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Geisel, Henschen, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur and Woodburn—10.

Councilman Seidensticker voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

On motion by Mr. Cottrell the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor.*

ATTEST:

D. M. RANDELL, *City Clerk.*