

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

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REGULAR SESSION.

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CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 1868, 7 O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

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

Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—15.

Absent—Councilmen Burgess, Colley and Stanton—3.

The proceedings of the regular session held January 20th, 1867, were read and approved.

His Honor, the Mayor, announced that the special order for the evening was the consideration of the Gas question.

The report from the Special Committee was called up and read by the Clerk.

Mr. Brown moved that the report be concurred in, with the exception of the third paragraph, which provides for the extinguishing of the gas lamps at midnight.

Which was adopted.

The resolutions were then called up.

Mr. Coburn moved to amend by striking out 5 feet and insert 4 feet McHenry burners.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Davis moved to strike out the Civil Engineer and insert the Gas Committee.

Dr. Woodburn moved to lay Mr. Davis' motion on the table.

Which was adopted.

The question then being on the adoption of the following resolution, viz :

“That the Civil Engineer be directed to procure 4 feet per hour McHenry burners for all the city lamps not already having said burners, and have the same put on the said lamps at the earliest time practicable; also, two gross tips for said burners, to be used in repairing the same.”

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Geisel, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Henschen and Loomis—5.

So the resolution passed.

The question being on the adoption of the second resolution,

Mr. Seidensticker moved to amend by inserting after the word “five,” the words “or more;” also, after the word “pressure,” the words “at such points as may be indicated by the officer to be selected for that purpose by the Common Council.”

The following is the resolution as amended :

“That the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company be requested to attach 5 or more additional gas meters to the city lamp-posts, at such points in different parts of the city as shall indicate an average pressure, at such points as may be indicated by the officer to be selected for that purpose by the Common Council.”

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—13.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Cottrell and Davis—2.

So the resolution was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Coburn, the third paragraph of the report was taken up.

Mr. Coburn moved to amend by inserting Meridian and Illinois streets, between Washington and McNabb streets, so as to make said paragraph of the report read, "that all lamps be extinguished at or before midnight, except on Washington street between Benton and Blackford streets, and on Meridian and Illinois streets between Washington and McNabb streets, and the East Market House."

Mr. Seidensticker moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the question.

Mr. Geisel moved to lay Mr. Seidensticker's motion on the table. Which was adopted.

The question then being on Mr. Coburn's amendment, Mr. Brown called for the ayes and noes.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Geisel, Jameson, Kappes, Seidensticker and Woodburn—7.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Henschen, Loomis, MacArthur and Schmidt—8.

So the amendment was lost.

Mr. Brown moved that all exceptions be stricken out, and that all lamps be extinguished at midnight.

Mr. Seidensticker called for the ayes and noes.

The question being on Mr. Brown's motion to strike out, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Foster, Geisel Goddard, Henschen, Jameson and Loomis—7.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—8.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Brown moved to amend by extinguishing all lamps except at the East Market House.

Mr. MacArthur called for the ayes and noes.

The question being on Mr. Brown's motion,

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Foster, Geisel Goddard, Henschen, Jameson and Loomis—7.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Kappes, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—8.

So the motion was lost.

The question being on concurring in the original paragraph of the report,

The ayes and noes were called.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Geisel Goddard, Henschen, Jameson and Kappes—7.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—8.

So the third paragraph of the report was not concurred in.

Mr. Cottrell moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. Seidensticker called for the ayes and noes.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson and Kappes—8.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Davis, Foster, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—7.

So the motion to reconsider was adopted.

The question then recurring on the original motion to concur in the report,

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson and Kappes—8.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Davis, Foster, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—7.

So the report was concurred in.

Mr. Schmidt moved to adjourn.

Mr. Davis called for the ayes and noes.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Coburn, Cottrell, Foster, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Schmidt and Seidensticker—10.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Brown, Davis, Geisel, Loomis and Woodburn—5.

So the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor*.

ATTEST:

D. M. RANDELL, *City Clerk*.