

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

SPECIAL SESSION—SEPTEMBER 11, 1882.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, September 11th, A. D. 1882, at half-past seven o'clock, in special session, pursuant to the following call:

To the Members of the Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—You are hereby requested to meet in special session, Monday evening, September 11th, 1882, for the purpose of considering the report of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, relative to the improvement of Central avenue; for the passage of Special Ordinances, and for the consideration of such other business as may be presented.

H. B. Stout,  
John R. Pearson,  
Phil. Reichwein,  
Ed. Brundage,  
C. T. Bedford.

PRESENT—HON. Isaac Thalman, President *pro tem.* of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 15 members, viz: Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cole, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, and Stout.

ABSENT—HON. Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor, and Councilmen Cowie, Coy, Dean Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Mauer, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.—10.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Cole, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and S. O. 129 and 130, 1882, ordered stricken from the files:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, together with the Board of Public Improvements, to whom were referred S. O. No. 129, 130, 131 and 132, 1882, providing for the improvement of Central avenue, have given the matter due consideration, and find that a majority of the property holders on said avenue would favor the improvement to be made under S. O. 131 and 132, 1882, providing said ordinances are amended by striking out the curbing with stone the sidewalks.

We recommend said S. O. 131 and 132, 1882, be so amended, and then passed.

Respectfully submitted,

George Weaver,  
B. W. Cole,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

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

Ap. O. 57, 1882—An Ordinance appropriating the sum of one thousand dollars, on account of the Street Department of the city of Indianapolis.

Councilman Brundage offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair the gutter south of Shelby street bridge, east side, as it is now in a dangerous condition.

Councilman Bryce offered the following motion; which was referred to the Police Board:

That the Police Board instruct the Patrolmen to arrest all boys who may be found catching on to vehicles along the streets, as it is a very dangerous practice.

Councilman Caylor offered the following motion; which was referred to the City Civil Engineer, to report at the next regular meeting:

That George Miller have the privilege to bowlder the gutter in front of his property, between Second and Third streets, on north West street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Morrison presented the following remonstrances; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

Indianapolis, Sept. 2, 1882.

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

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Michigan street, between Tennessee street and the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. track, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the curbing of said street, and bowldering the gutters thereof.

Desdemona Howland, 202 feet; Fannie M Farquher, 56 feet; Sophia P. Ray, by W. W. Sickels, 30 feet; Mrs. S. J. Fridley, 40 feet; Mrs. S. Burkhart, 140 feet; Geo. W. Johnston, 78 feet; J. W. Sawyer, 30 feet.

Rockville, Ind., Sept. 5th, 1882.

LOUIS HOWLAND, Esq., Indianapolis, Ind.

*Dear Sir:*—The improvement proposed by the ordinance now pending in the Council, to-wit: the bowldering of gutters and curbing of roadway, on west Michigan street, is surely very unnecessary, and I will be obliged to you if you will present this, my earnest remonstrance against it, to the City Council.

I am in favor of all needed improvements, but I consider this one very far from needed.

Yours, truly, J. H. LINDLEY.

Chicago, September 1st, 1882.

LOUIS HOWLAND, Esq., Indianapolis, Ind.

*Dear Sir:*—I understand there is an ordinance pending in the Indianapolis City Council, which provides for graveling, curbing, and bowldering the gutters of Michigan street, between Tennessee street and the Canal; and as my wife owns 195 feet fronting on Michigan street, corner of Tennessee street, and as the sidewalk has been paved, and Tennessee street graveled within a short time, both of which she had to pay for, and which she did not request to be done, in her name I wish to protest against this so-called improvement of Michigan street, which she deems unnecessary, and of no value to the property.

Will you please present this protest to the proper parties, and oblige,

Yours, truly,

THOS. C MOORE,  
For Mrs. Louise S. Moore.

Councilman Pritchard offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The rank growth of weeds now growing upon the vacant lots and along the public streets and alleys in the northern and southern parts of the city, will, when they begin to decay, produce sickness, and greatly injure the public health of our city; therefore,

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to *at once* employ an extra force of twenty-five men to cut the weeds now growing along the public streets and alleys, "and upon the commons" in the northern and southern parts of the city; and furthermore, that the work be done during the month of September, before frost.

Councilman Morrison moved to amend the above resolution, by striking out the words "and upon the commons."

Which motion to amend was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Caylor, Cole, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, and Thalman.

NAYS, 5—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Pritchard, Reichwein, and Stout.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Caylor, Cole, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Pritchard, Stout, and Thalman.

NAYS, 4—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Morrison, and Reichwein.

Councilman Pritchard offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the deep ditch between Meridian and Illinois streets, on the north side of Seventh street, be covered, to guard against accidents that may occur.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Howard street, from Second street north to Fifth street, and remove the pipe in the gutter at Howard and Third streets, so the water can flow.

Councilman Pritchard offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Marshal notify the C., I., St. L. & C. Railroad Company to fill with gravel the mud hole along their right of way on both sides of their track, between Third and Fourth streets.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to fill up sink holes on Wabash and Miami streets, from Alabama street to Noble street.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, requested to lay a stone crossing at the crossing of Pennsylvania and Second streets.

Councilman Brundage presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, to report at the next regular meeting:

To the Honorable President and Members of the Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—There is before your honorable body, an ordinance to pave with brick the sidewalk on the west side of south Linden street, from Orange street to the end of Lot No. 20. The undersigned earnestly petition and protest against any such improvement as unnecessary, the street and sidewalk now being graded and graveled from Orange street to Pleasant Run. We own three-fifths of the property fronting on said proposed brick improvement.

Very respectfully,  
Virginia Belman, J. C. Belman, W. H. Stoneman, S.  
M. Stoneman.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

ISAAC THALMAN, President *pro tem.*  
of the Common Council!

Attest: JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

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REGULAR SESSION—SEPTEMBER 11, 1882.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, September 11th, A. D. 1882, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Francis W. Hamilton, President *pro tem.* of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Mussmann, Newman, Rorison and Seibert—5.

ABSENT—Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Tucker, Wood, and President Layman—5.

It appearing from the roll-call, there was not a quorum present, on motion by Alderman Seibert, the Board of Aldermen adjourned, to meet again Wednesday evening, September 13th, A. D. 1882, at 7:30 o'clock.

FRANCIS W. HAMILTON, President *pro tem.*

Attest: GEO. T. BRUNIG, Clerk.