

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—JULY 14, 1884.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, July 14th, A. D. 1884, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Brainard Rorison, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire—8.

ABSENT, 2—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, and McHugh.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session, held June 23d, 1884, and the special session held July 7th, 1884, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith for your consideration, the following papers, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its special session held June 30th, 1884.

For the Common Council:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City-Clerk.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain estimates (see page 595, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 596, *ante*) 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 R. P. Dunning, for grading and bowldering the roadway, and curbing the gutters of Garden street, from Meridian street to Illinois 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

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The following resolution (see pages 596, *ante*), 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 Hanway & Cooper, for grading and graveling the first alley west of College 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 596, *ante*), 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 Geo. W. Buchanan, for grading and graveling Eighth street and sidewalks, from Central avenue to the first alley west of Delaware 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 597, *ante*), 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 Hanway & Cooper, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Dorman street, from St. Clair street to Pogue's Run, 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following resolution (see page 602, *ante*), was read:

Resolved, That the City Civil Engineer be, and he is hereby, directed to superintend the construction of the stone walls in Pogue's Run, east of the Union Depot, and see that the plans and specifications for said work is strictly complied with by said company.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following motions (see pages 602 and 603, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That Charles McBride be, and he is hereby, granted the right to put a weigh scale in the alley along the side of the Flouring Mill on Alabama street, between St. Clair and Pratt streets, provided he do said work under the direction of the Street Commissioner and to his satisfaction.

That Mr. W. B. Fesler, Mrs. Grace Lang, and Wm. Buchanan are hereby permitted to place stone curbing along gutter in front of 290, 294 and 296 Union street, at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That Alex. Metzger be allowed to put down a bowldered crossing to his stable on North street, the work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

The following motions (see page 604, *ante*), were read, and referred to the Committee on Printing and Office Fixtures & Supplies:

That the bid of the Indianapolis Daily Times for printing the delinquent list of the city at 12 cents per description, be awarded to said paper.

That the bid of the Indianapolis Daily Sentinel for advertising for the city at 15 cents per square, be awarded to said paper.

The following entitled ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were severally read the first time :

- S. O. 80, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of Tennessee street, from McCarty street to Merrill street.
- S. O. 82, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the sidewalks of Mississippi street, from Maryland^e street to Washington street.
- S. O. 84, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Guffin street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.
- S. O. 85, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Ash street, from Tenth street to Twelfth street.
- S. O. 86, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of McCarty street, from East street to New Jersey street.
- S. O. 87, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Cedar street, from Virginia avenue to Dillon street.
- S. O. 88, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Vermont street, from Blackford street to the first alley west of Bright street, where not already done.
- S. O. 89, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Michigan street, from Blackford street to Blake street, where not already done.
- S. O. 90, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Douglass street, from New York street to Michigan street, where not already done.

- G. O. 37, 1884—An ordinance to prevent frauds in the measure and sale of Wood, at the public markets in the City of Indianapolis.
- G. O. 51, 1884—An ordinance to amend Section one (1) of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance requiring the C. C. C. & I. Railway Co. and the I. B. & W. Railway Co. to place and maintain a flagman at the intersection of their tracks with Columbia avenue;" ordained April 14, 1884.
- G. O. 52, 1884—An ordinance requiring the C., I., St. L. & C. Railroad Company to station a Flagman at the crossing of its tracks with Maryland street.
- G. O. 54, 1884—An ordinance to amend Section three of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance regulating the cleaning, &c., of Privy Vaults, Water Closets and other receptacles of human excrements; and requiring persons who may engage in such business to be duly licensed before undertaking such work;" in force December 2d, 1878.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith for your consideration, the following papers favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its regular session held July 7th, 1884.

For the Common Council:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The report of the Mayor, showing fines and fees collected for June, 1884, (see page 610, *ante*), was read and received:

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

George W. Seibert vs. Timothy O'Brien, for.....	\$25 00
George W. Seibert vs. Henry Ankenbrock, for.....	2 00
George W. Seibert vs. Henry Ankenbrock, for.....	25 00
George W. Seibert vs. Henry Ankenbrock, for.....	8 00
James W. Hudson vs. Adaline F. Berry, for.....	61 76

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 611, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire.

NAYS, 1—viz. President Rorison.

The following bond (see page 614, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage:

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, John Roberts, Francis A. Coffin, and H. J. Barnes, of the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Indianapolis in the sum of two hundred (\$200) dollars. The conditions of the foregoing obligation are, that John Roberts, Francis A. Coffin and H. J. Barnes have filed with the Board of Common Council of

the City of Indianapolis a petition asking for the vacation of a street, (Wheeler), between Lots 113, 114, 115, 116 and 117, in Ingram Fletcher's third addition to the City of Indianapolis, and a five acre lot owned by the Indianapolis Cabinet Company—said Wheeler street running from Hill avenue to the C., C. & I. Railway;

Now if the said John Roberts, Francis A. Coffin and H. J. Barnes shall pay all necessary costs occasioned by said vacation, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise remain in full force.

Dated and sealed with our seals, this 2d day of July, 1884.

JOHN ROBERTS, [Seal.]
 FRANCIS A. COFFIN, [Seal.]
 H. J. BARNES, [Seal.]

The report of the City Attorney, as to the condition of sundry cases (see pages 614 and 615, *ante*), was read and received.

The following report of the Committee on Contracts was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council on the first clause (see page 621, *ante*), was concurred in, and the second clause referred to the Committee on Contracts and Bridges:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred the proposals for street improvements, received June 16th, 1884, having reported on same at the special session June 30th, in which action was postponed on the following contracts, viz:

1st. For grading and graveling Eighth (or Williams) street and sidewalks, from Tennessee street to Missis-ippi street.

S. W. & R. H. Patterson..	54 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Richter & Twiname.....	43 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. D. Hoßs & Co.....	40 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Henry Clay.....	39 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
H. C. Roney.....	39 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper.....	37 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. L. Spaulding.....	34 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

J. L. Spaulding being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

2d. For grading, bowldering the roadway, curbing the gutters, and paving the sidewalks of California street, between Washington and Maryland streets.

For the following prices per lineal foot front on each side.

Names of bidders.	Bowldering.	Curbing.	Paving.	Walk-stones.	Wings, sq.'d
James W. Hudson..	75 cents...	41 cen's...	42 cents...	60 cents...	62 cents
James Mahoney.....	72 cents...	39 cen's...	30 cents...	64 cents...	60 cents
S.W. & R. H. Patterson..	71 cents...	42 cents...	45 cents...	64 cents...	64 cents
Richter & Twiname.....	70 cents...	41 cents...	33 cents...	60 cents...	60 cents
H. C. Roney.....	70 cents...	40 cents...	33 cents...	69 cents...	60 cents
Geo. W. Seibret.....	70 cents...	40 cents...	30 cents...	62 cents...	58 cents
Geo Keers.....	57½ cents..	41 cents...	44 cents...	67 cents...	63 cents
J L. Spaulding.....	67 cents...	41 cents...	30 cents...	66 cents...	59 cents

George W. Seibert being the lowest and best bidder, we therefore recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
 Philip J. Doyle,
 M. M. Reynolds,
 Committee on Contracts.

The report of the Board of Public Improvements (see page 620, *ante*), was read and received.

The following resolution (see page 631, *ante*), was read:

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and it is hereby, directed to extend its water mains on Ohio street, from Pogue's Run to Arsenal avenue, establishing water plugs as per contract.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following resolutions (see page 632, *ante*), were read, and referred to the Committee on Water and Public Health:

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and it is hereby, directed to extend its water mains on Broadway street, from Christian avenue to Home avenue, establishing water plugs as per contract, or at the crossing of Broadway and Butler streets and Broadway street and Home avenue.

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and it is hereby, directed to extend its water mains on Ash street, from Ninth street to Seventh street, establishing a water plug at the crossing of Eighth and Ash streets, and a water plug at the intersection of Seventh and Ash streets.

The following motion (see page 631, *ante*), was read, and the Committee granted further time:

That the Board of Aldermen be, and is hereby, requested to report to the Council what action has been taken by said body on the action of the Council in straightening the city boundaries; and if no definite action has yet been taken, the reason for the delay.

The following motion (see page 631, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities:

That the Citizens' Street Railroad Company be, and is hereby, directed to fill all cavities or low places on the line of their roads to a height sufficient to drain all water therefrom.

The following motions (see pages 631 and 632, *ante*), were read, and concurrently adopted:

That the Committee on Public Property be instructed to buy a one-horse mower, to be used in Military, University and Circle Parks.

That Wm. C. Phipps be, and is hereby, granted permission to grade and pave with brick, the sidewalk alongside of his property, corner of Christian avenue and Ash street; work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

The following entitled ordinance (passed by the Common Council) was read the first time;

G. O. 55, 1884—An ordinance establishing and regulating the Fire Department of the City of Indianapolis, and repealing an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for the organization of the Fire Department, and the regulation and government of its officers and members;" ordained May 20th, 1884.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the rules.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 31, 1884—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$499.63.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 32, 1884—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,019.05.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 33, 1884—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$15,708.32.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 34, 1884—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$219.71.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and read the third time:

Ap. O. 35, 1884—An ordinance appropriating the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars, on account of the Street Repair Department of the City of Indianapolis.)

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Cobb, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

Alderman Endly offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, directed to hold the warrant for \$500.00, in favor of Minkner, until the ground purchased has been surveyed by the City Civil Engineer, and deed made to the city, and all papers approved by the City Attorney.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was approved, and the Engineer instructed to purchase a horse:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I respectfully beg leave to inform you that the horse used in my department, died last Saturday morning. As it is absolutely necessary that I should have a horse, I applied to the Chief Fire Engineer for the temporary use of one until some provision could be made. I was informed that the department had no horse that could be spared. I therefore hired a horse, until such time as I may be authorized to procure one for my department. I most respectfully ask that you give me instructions in the matter, and also to approve my action in hiring the horse.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The Board of Health presented the following communication; which was received:

Indianapolis, July 14, 1884.

To the Mayor and Members of Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Very serious complaints are made regarding the condition of the new bed of Pogue's Run. In consequence of the fact that the Ray street sewer empties into it, the discharge from the sewer is collected in pools, and undergoing putrefaction, and is exhaling a very offensive odor. There is an urgent necessity for immediate action in this matter, and we earnestly recommend that you devise some means of removing this dangerous nuisance.

J. A. SUTCLIFFE, M. D., Pres't.

E. S. ELDER, M. D., Sec'y.

M. T. RUNNELS, M. D.

Board of Health.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary and Ordinances, through Alderman Pritchard, submitted the following report; which was concurred in: