

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

SECOND SESSION—AUGUST 13, 1884.

The Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, together with the City Clerk and City Assessor, met as a Board of Equalization, in the Council Chamber, on Wednesday evening, August 13th, A. D. 1884, at eight o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and Hon. Brainard Rorison, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair; Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, Prier, Tallentire—6. Councilmen Cowie, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton and Wolf—15. Geo. T. Breunig, City Clerk, and Eugene Sauley, City Assessor. Total, 28.

ABSENT—Aldermen Cobb, King, McHugh, Pritchard, and Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Downey, Gallahue, Mack, McClelland, Rees, Sheppard, and Thalmann—14.

The Proceedings of the first session of the Board of Equalization, held August 4th, 1884, having been printed and placed on the desks of the members, said Journals were approved as published.

His Honor, Chairman McMaster, read Sections 3,157 and 3,055, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Indiana, defining the powers and duties of the Board of Equalization; also, the section of the law: "That the powers and duties of the Common Council, as defined in act of March 14, 1867, and subsequent acts, shall remain in force under this act, except that the concurrent action of the Board of Aldermen shall be required in all cases."

Alderman Endly, in behalf of the Special Committee appointed at the first session of this Board, held on the 4th inst., submitted the following report; which was approved:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ASSESSOR, August 13th, 1884.

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, appointed by His Honor, the Mayor, to act as a Board of Equalization, report that we have held daily sessions from Tuesday, August 5th, to Wednesday, August 13th, in all ten days (Sunday excepted), and have considered nearly four hundred complaints, visiting many of them in person, and have equalized to the best of our ability.

SIG. 71.

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We have directed the following changes (in the aggregate) to be made:

ADDITIONS				
Value of Lots.	Value of Imp'ts.	Value of Personal.	Total.	Polls.
\$9,100.....	\$20,450.....	\$10,130.....	\$39,680.....	2

REDUCTIONS.		
Value of Lots.	Value of Improvements.	Total.
\$3,950.....	\$23,600.....	\$27,550

The total valuation of taxable property in the city for the year 1884, including the above additions and reductions, amounts to \$53,986,940.

The number of polls is 16,314.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS E. ENDLY, Chairman.
 PHIL. H. WOLF,
 ISAAC KING,
 JOHN R. PEARSON,
 J. W. WHARTON;
 EUGENE SAULCY, City Assessor.
 GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

AMOUNT ADDED TO REAL.

NAME.	DESCRIPTION.	L.	S.	C.	Lots.	Imp'ts.
Voorhees, A. L., heirs.....		11	35		\$6000 00	\$1200 00
Yoke, Nelson.....	Hoss' subdivision Woodlawn.....	1			250 00	
Carter, nson B.....	18 feet on avenue s w 40 f e t n e corner...	21		46	1000 00	1300 00
Gauss, Chas. A.....	Russell's subdivision, 40 feet north side.....	16		123	600 00	
Wickliff, Peter.....	West heirs' add. 30½ x 50 ft s e corner.....	10				100 00
Hoshrook, Percy.....	hidonour's second addition.....	2				2000 00
Boettcher, F.....	Bates' subdivision.....	15		89		200 00
Keller, H. H.....	I. & C. R. R. Co.'s subdivision, pt.....	2		89	50 00	
Harrison, J. C. S.....		6	6			5000 00
do	41 feet north side.....	7	6			
U. S. Mortgage Co.....	Dewey's subdivision Murphy & T.'s add.....	5			100 00	
Snyder, Geo. W.....	Drake's addition, 31 feet south side.....	6	21		700 00	
Wagner, Jos.....	F. et al. subdivision.....	378		96		650 00
Schnull, Henry.....		6	66			10000 00
Cook, Ellen.....		9		19	200 00	
Thornton, Eliza.....	Butler's addition, 50 feet west side.....	31			100 00	
Thames L & T. Co.....	Butler's addition, 38½ feet east side.....	31			100 00	

AMOUNT DEDUCTED FROM REAL.

NAMES.	DESCRIPTION.	L.	S.	O. L.	Lots.	Imp'ts.
Parmalee, Louisa.....	Dewey's sub Murphy & T.'s add, north ¼	4			\$ 150 00	\$.....
Sanders, T.....	Scanlan & Carlton's addition.....	2				500 00
Baldwin, J. H.....	part.....	1	57			2000 00
Foster, R. M.....	Young's subdivision.....	79		181		100 00
Wallace, Ellen.....	do	48		181		200 00
Traub, Israel.....	22 feet south ends.....45 &	46		175		100 00
do	69 feet south of 35 feet north ends.....45 &	46		175		100 00
Charles, Mary.....	Bates' subdivision.....	16		89		700 00
Flynn, M.....	I. & C. R. R. Co.'s subdivision.....	2		89		100 00
Casey, Ellen.....	M. K. & P.'s subdivision.....	12	126		50 00	
Herman, M.....	west half.....	12	59			200 00
Hamlet, Jas S.....	part.....	130		121		150 00
Weaver, Maggie W.....	Parker's subdivision B.'s addition.....	14				300 00
Gilbert, S. B.....	Wiley's subdivision.....	53		161		50 00
Lockwood & Co.....	part.....			84	1000 00	
Breunig, Geo. A.....	Butler's addition, north half.....	116			200 00	
Hawkins, R. O.....	.....	4		33		800 00
Dunlap, Jane M.....	.....part 3 &	4	5			500 00
Tarkington, W. S. R.....	.....	40		170		200 00
Berner, Gottlieb.....	.....	197		45	50 00	
do	.....	198		45	50 00	
Kurman, Wm. H.....	Bates' subdivision.....	96		90		200 00
Merrick, Richard.....	Steam Mill lot, part.....	11			100 00	
Rooker, Sallie.....	Drake's addition, part.....	6	29			500 00
Rorison, Mary.....	.....	13		78		500 00
McClelland, Robt.....	Fletcher & Ramsey's addition.....	1			50 00	
New, John C.....	..... 7, 8 and	9	5			7000 00
Emrich, Paulini & Co.....	part.....	B.		120		2500 00
Rapp, Fred. J.....	.....	9	59			300 00
Zimmerman, Jos.....	Northrop and Huston's addition.....	10			200 00	
Langenskamp, Henry.....	Butler's north addition, south half.....	11				300 00
Wagner, Jos.....	.....	1		158		200 00
Quwaek, M.....	southeast addition, south half.....	8	4			100 00
Mueiler, Cath.....	P. & I. R. R. Co.'s subdivision.....	12		44		50 00
Pratt, Julius F.....	.....			173	700 00	
McCoy, C. H.....	Coudit's subdivision.....	1		154		50 00
Wolf, Mary C.....	.....	464		95		400 00
Kingsbury, Jas. G.....	Hall Place, H's addition.....	7				300 00
Murphy, J. W.....	Little's subdivision.....	5		65		500 00
Stewart, Van.....	Noble's subdivision.....	170		50		200 00
Kiel, C.....	..... parts 9 and	10		19		200 00
Smith, Aug.....	..... part	23		47	200 00	
Rathert, W. & L.....	County Surveyor's subdivision.....	17				50 00
do	do	18				50 00
Styer, Chas.....	McQuat's first addition.....	5				300 00
Weilacher, John.....	W. & M.'s subdivision.....	20		184		500 00
Ferguson, C. A.....	St. Clair's addition part.....	14				400 00
Brown, C.....	.....			26	600 00	
Allen, Ann.....	..... part	3	13			200 00
Fletcher, Coffin & Co.....	.....					3000 00
Norris, Jos. C.....	Butler's north addition, west half.....				300 00	
Cronyn, Wm M.....	Butler's north addition, east half.....				300 00	

AMOUNT OF PERSONAL ADDED.

Names.	Personal.	Polls.
Douglas, Robert.....	\$1,305 00	
Pfaff, Wm. A.....	845 00	
Ferling, Eliza.....	75 00	
Ehrisman, Jacob.....	7,510 00	
More, Sarah.....	50 00	
Walker, Barclay.....	90 00	1
Kriel, William.....	255 00	1

Councilman Pearson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That there be, and is hereby, assessed and levied upon all the real estate, personal property, notes, stocks, bonds and choses in action in the City of Indianapolis, assessed and returned for taxation in and for said city for the year 1884, a

tax for general purposes of eighty-seven (87) cents upon each one hundred dollars valuation; and the further sum of three (3) cents upon each one hundred dollars. as and for a sinking fund, to be used in liquidating the indebtedness of said city, and the further sum, for general purposes, of fifty cents on each poll in said city.

Resolved, further, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, directed to place said taxes upon the proper tax duplicate, and the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed to collect the same, and make due report thereof.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 17—viz : Aldermen Cox, Endly, Prier, Tallentire, and President Rorison; Councilmen Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS, 3—viz. Alderman Bernhamer, and Councilmen Haugh, and Reinecke.

Councilman Spahr offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to insert in the next appropriation ordinance, the sum of three dollars per day for each and every day the members of the committee from this Board of Equalization sat to hear complaints, viz: ten days to the credit of each member appointed by this Board at its last meeting.

The Board of Equalization having disposed of all the business for which it convened, on motion, adjourned *sine die*.

JOHN L. McMASTER,
Chairman Board of Equalization.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

SPECIAL SESSION—AUGUST 13, 1884.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Wednesday evening, August 13th, A. D. 1884, in special session, immediately after the adjournment of the Board of Equalization, pursuant to the following call:

To the Honorable, the Mayor of the City of Indianapolis:

We, the undersigned, respectfully request you to call a special meeting of the Common Council for Wednesday evening, August 13th, 1884, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

Respectfully,

Jas. T. Dowling,
P. H. Wolf,
Phil. J. Doyle.

R. H. Rees,
G. W. Spahr,

Indianapolis, Aug. 11th, 1884.

To the Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Pursuant to the above request for a special meeting of the Common Council, I hereby call a meeting of the Common Council, to be held in the Council Chamber, Wednesday evening, August 13th, 1884, immediately after the adjournment of the Board of Equalization, for the transaction of such business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor.

PRESENT—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and, *ex officio*, President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 19 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

ABSENT, 6—viz. Councilmen Coy, Downey, Gallahue, McClelland, Sheppard, and Thalman.

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

G. O. 67, 1884—An ordinance making a General Tax Levy, and a Special Tax Levy for Sinking Fund purposes, for the year 1884, upon the taxable property within the limits of the City of Indianapolis.

Councilman Pearson moved a suspension of the rules for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage; which motion was adopted, and the rules suspended, by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The ordinance was then read the second time and ordered engrossed.

On motion by Councilman Trusler, the engrossment of the ordinance was reconsidered, by the following vote:

AYES, 14—viz. Councilmen Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Trusler, and Wolf.

NAYS, 3—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Spahr, and Wharton.

Councilman Trusler offered the following amendment to the ordinance; which was adopted:

Taxes levied under this ordinance, may be paid in semi-annual instalments, as provided by law.

The ordinance was then ordered engrossed as amended, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 16—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

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

Ap. O. 41, 1884—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing and Stationery.

On motion, the rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 41, 1884, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Dowling moved to reconsider the action of the Common Council, at its last meeting, as to accepting the proposition of C. E. Coffin & Co., (see page 717, *ante*), in regard to leasing the "West Market Space."

Councilman Haugh moved to lay the above motion on the table.

Councilman Trusler raised the point of order, that Councilman Dowling having voted in the minority, he could not, according to the rules, make a motion for a reconsideration.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken.

Councilman Spahr renewed the motion as made by Councilman Dowling.

Councilman Haugh moved to lay the motion on the table.

Which failed of adoption by the following vote :

AYES, 6—viz. Councilmen Haugh, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, and Trusler.

NAYS, 12—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Moran, Rees, Reinecke, Spahr, Wharton, and Wolf.

Councilman Spahr's motion to reconsider, was then adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 15—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Moran, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS, 3—viz. Councilmen Haugh, Newcomb, and Pearson.

Councilman Spahr moved that the proposition be accepted, and that the proper lease be entered into.

Councilman Haugh moved to lay the above motion on the table.

Which failed of adoption by the following vote :

AYES, 3—viz. Councilmen Haugh, Newcomb, and Trusler.

NAYS, 15—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Moran, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Wharton, and Wolf.

The motion was then adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 16—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Moran, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS, 2—viz. Councilmen Haugh, and Newcomb.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held this evening, August 12th, 1884, passed G. O. 67, 1884, "An ordinance making a general tax levy," &c., after amending the same by striking out the following clause:

"Taxes levied under this ordinance, may be paid in semi-annual instalments, as provided by law."

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

Councilman Pearson moved that the Common Council recede from their former action and concur in the action of the Board of Aldermen.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 12—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Spahr, and Wharton.

NAYS, 6—viz. Councilmen Curry, Haugh, Rees, Smither, Trusler, and Wolf.

Councilman Cowie moved to reconsider the action of the Common Council (see page 739, *ante*), as to accepting the proposition in regard to the lease of the "West Market Space."

Which motion to reconsider, on motion by Councilmen Spahr, was laid on the table.

On motion by Councilman Mack, G. O. 57, 1884, was ordered taken up.

The following entitled ordinance was then read the second time:

G. O. 57, 1884—An ordinance to amend Section eleven (11) of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing an uniform system for numbering buildings," and repealing an ordinance entitled "An ordinance requiring owners and occupants of houses and buildings within the City of Indianapolis to properly number the same."

Councilman Newcomb moved to strike out the word "occupants," in line fifteen, Section second.

On motion by Councilman Spahr, the ordinance was referred to the City Attorney, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Some time ago you passed an order directing me not to advertise by printed posters, a certain set of ordinances. It seemed to be the understanding among some, that your action then was intended to govern all cases; but recently ordinances have been passed with the clause directing me to advertise by posters

left in. I desire to call your attention to the fact, that all printed improvement ordinances contain a clause directing me to advertise by posters; and if you do not desire me to follow the directions of the ordinances, I suggest that you give me instructions to cover all cases.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Trusler offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed that in preparing blanks for street improvements, the following words be left out in Section 2: "And by posting up printed notices in not less than five of the most public places in the City of Indianapolis."

Councilman Spahr presented the following petition; which was granted:

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

Gentlemen:—Your honorable body is hereby petitioned to grant the undersigned citizens a special license to sell at auction for one year, we to pay for said license thirty-five dollars and one dollar for issue fee; total, \$36.00.

We have the honor to be

Yours most respectfully,

DAUMONT & FULLENWIDER.

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

S. O. 107, 1884—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Bellefontaine street, between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Councilman Reynolds, in behalf of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, submitted the following report, accompanied with resolution:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Kingan & Co, L'd., and others, asking the vacation of a strip off of the west side of Helen street, between Maryland and Georgia streets, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered said matter. We do not believe it will be necessary for the petitioners to have eighteen feet of said street for the purposes desired. We think fourteen feet would be ample, and we would recommend that the petition be referred to the City Commissioners for their action, on certain conditions, which we set out in the resolution herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,

J. W. Wharton,

Julius F. Reinecke,

Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved, That the petition of Kingan & Co., L'd., and others, praying for the vacation of 18 feet off of the west side of Helen street, from the north side of Georgia street to a point 250 feet north of said line, be referred to the City Commissioners, with instructions to determine what persons, if any, will be benefited thereby, and to assess benefits to persons and property affected thereby; *Provided, however,* That said Commissioners do not consider the vacation of more than fourteen feet off of the west side of said street between the points named; and that if a vacation of said 14 feet be recommended, that it be upon the express condition that the petitioners and their grantees and representatives shall ever thereafter keep in proper repair all the remainder of said Helen street, between said points above named, at their own expense, to the satisfaction of the City of Indianapolis, as directed by her proper officers.

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

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Doyle, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Edenharter.

Councilman Reynolds, in behalf of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, submitted the following report, accompanied with resolution; which report was non-concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of George W. Snider, W. Henderson and J. D. Condit, for the vacation of a portion of Fifth street lying east of Illinois street, recommend the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and the accompanying resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,
Julius F. Reinecke,
J. W. Wharton,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Resolved, That the petition of George W. Snider, W. Henderson and J. D. Condit, together with the plat praying for the vacation of all that portion of Fifth street lying and situated east of Illinois street, and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of Lot number six (6), in Square or Block number twenty-one (21), in James P. Drake's addition to the City of Indianapolis, recorded in Plat Book No. 1, page 95 of the records in the Recorder's office of said Marion County; thence south fifty (50) feet; thence west one hundred and nine and one-half (109½) feet to the east line of Illinois street; thence north fifty (50) feet to the southwest corner of said Lot six (6); thence east along said Lot six (6) to the place of beginning, be referred to the Commissioners, with instructions to assess benefits and damages, and to make due report; and that for the purposes of such vacation, the said Commissioners are instructed to return, as part of their report, all petitions and notices. The City Clerk is hereby directed to issue, and the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police to serve, the proper notices upon the Commissioners, and the petitioners to serve due notice on all interested property owners.

Councilman Reynolds, in behalf of the same Committee, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report thereon as follows:

1st. Is the petition of Wm. G. Wasson, for the opening and extension of Union street, from Hill street to Palmer street.

The proposed opening is outside of the city limits.

2d. Is the petition of James A. Johnson, J. W. Davis and others, asking that the streets that are fenced up from the first alley west of Shelby street to Barth street, be opened to public use.

Recommend the Street Commissioner notify the property owners to remove their fences from said streets.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,
J. W. Wharton,
Julius F. Reinecke,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Councilman Cowie presented the following petition; which was granted :

To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would most respectfully ask your honorable body to direct the City Clerk to certify off a certain erroneous assessment of one thousand dollars, made for the year 1883, on the improvements on Lot 16, in Cavin's subdivision of Out-lot 150, City of Indianapolis, Ind.

S. E. PERKINS.

This statement is true.

EUGENE SAULCY, City Assessor.

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

That a gas lamp be erected on the corner of Missouri and Court streets.

Councilman Moran introduced the following entitled ordinance; which was read the first time, and accompanied with petition:

S. O. 108, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Bates street, from Dillon street to Leota street.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owner of real estate fronting on the first alley north of Bates street, between Dillon and Leota streets, respectfully petitions for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of the above described alley.

JOHN O'CONNOR, 40 feet.

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

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, property holders on and along Williams street, of the said city, most respectfully ask your honorable bodies to have a gravel sidewalk in place of brick on said street, as the brick is too expensive to us; and the way it is to be put down, it won't last so well without a curb and bowldered gutters, and which we don't want, as gravel will be better than brick. Trusting you will grant our petition, we are respectfully yours,

Mahala Cline, H. W. G. Nolting, Sr., H. W. G. Nolting, Jr., Henry Frannon, A. M. DeSouchet, agent; J. W. Blauvelt, Charles Stake, Kathmann & Peters, J. L. Houdyshell, R. H. Church, V. K. Morris, agent

On motion by Councilman Spahr, the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 94, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick (where not already done) the east sidewalk of Ash street, from Christian avenue to Home avenue.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Trusler offered the following motions; which were severally adopted :

That Louis F. Burtin be, and is hereby, authorized to cross the gutters on the south side of Woodlawn avenue and the east side of Dillon street, in front of his premises, viz: Lot 22, in Square 1, in Martindale's south addition to Indianapolis, with wooden bridges for driveways, constructed so as not to impede the free flow of water; and also to lay a crossing over the sidewalks in compliance with existing ordinances, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at his own expense.

That the Superintendent of Police be, and is hereby, directed to notify the I., B. & W. Railway Co. to cease laying the track on Georgia street, between West street and White River, until they have first obtained the right so to do from this body.

On motion the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor,
President of the Common Council.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

SPECIAL SESSION—AUGUST 13, 1884.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, convened in special session, in the Aldermanic Chamber, Wednesday evening, August 13th, A. D. 1884, immediately after the adjournment of the Board of Equalization.

PRESENT—Hon. Brainard Rorison, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire—7.

ABSENT, 3—viz. Aldermen Cobb, King, and McHugh.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit the following ordinances for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its special session, held this evening, August 13th, 1884.

For the Common Council:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time:

G. O. 67, 1884—An ordinance making a General Tax Levy and a Special Tax Levy for Sinking Fund purposes, for the year 1884, upon the taxable property within the limits of the City of Indianapolis.

On motion by Alderman Prier, the rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

G. O. 67, 1884, was then read the second time.

Alderman Bernhamer moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the following words:

“Taxes levied under this ordinance, may be paid in semi-annual instalments, as provided by law.”

Which motion was adopted, and the ordinance so amended.

The ordinance was then ordered engrossed as amended, read the third time and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time:

Ap. O. 41, 1884—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing and Stationery.

On motion by Alderman Pritchard, the rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage, by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The ordinance was then read the second time, read the third time and passed, by the following vote ;

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

BRAINARD RORISON, President.

Attest: FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk