

## REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

MONDAY, July 3, 1905.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, July 3, 1905, at 7:45 o'clock, in regular session, President James H. Billingsley in the chair.

The Clerk called the roll:

Present: The Hon. James H. Billingsley, President of the Common Council, and 17 members, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright.

Absent, 3, viz.: Messrs. Fishback, Krause, Linus,

Mr. Shea moved that the reading of the Journal be dispensed with. Carried.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 27, 1905.

To the Honorable, the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: I herewith return to you with my signature and approval General Ordinance No. 54, 1905.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. HOLTZMAN,  
Mayor.

Which was read.

## REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

From the City Controller:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 30, 1905.

Mr. Jacob P. Dunn, City Controller, Indianapolis:

Dear Sir: We hereby request that you recommend that the City Council appropriate out of funds not heretofore appropriated for any

purpose the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for the fund "Brightwood Water Works."

This amount is to be used in drilling a new well and purchasing and installing a new pump for the same, in order that the plant may have in service at all times two wells and two pumps, to insure protection against fire, as well as for general uses. The plant is now dependent upon one well, and should this one well become inoperative from any cause, the entire district of Brightwood would be without water either for general use or fire protection.

M. A. DOWNING,  
JACOB WOESSNER,  
Board of Public Works,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: I submit herewith letter of the Board of Public Works, requesting an appropriation of \$1,500 for the "Brightwood Water Works." I recommend the appropriation and inclose ordinance for that purpose.

Respectfully,

J. P. DUNN,  
City Controller.

Which was read.

From the City Controller:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

Hon. Jacob P. Dunn, City Controller, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir: We hereby request that you recommend to the Common Council the appropriation, out of funds not heretofore appropriated for any purpose, the sum of four thousand and five hundred (\$4,500) for bath houses, one to be located on Fall Creek, between Thirtieth street and Northwestern avenue; the other along Pleasant Run, between Meridian and Shelby street; said appropriation being also for the preparation of necessary plans and estimates for a new bath house centrally located, in which shower baths can be provided, said estimate to be presented to the Common Council with recommendation at the time of making appropriations for next year.

It is estimated that the land will cost \$1,300.00; buildings and equipment, \$2,300.00; maintenance for the remainder of the season, \$600.00; and plans and estimates, \$300.00.

Respectfully,

M. A. DOWNING,  
JACOB WOESSNER,  
Board of Public Works.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: I submit herewith request of the Board of Public Works for an appropriation of \$4,500.00 to provide swimming baths at Fall Creek and Pleasant Run, the former to be located between Thirtieth street and Northwestern avenue, and the latter between Meridian

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and Shelby streets. I recommend the appropriation and inclose ordinance for that purpose.

Respectfully,

J. P. DUNN,  
City Controller.

Which was read.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

From the Board of Public Health and Charities:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

We would respectfully urge the passage of the Appropriation Ordinance introduced some time ago giving new funds to the City Hospital.

The request made is a just one and merits favorable consideration. The capacity of the hospital was increased about one-half last year in the rebuilding of the hospital, thus making a much greater area to heat than had formerly been the case.

The appropriation made for fuel to the City Hospital for 1905 is considerably less than the total appropriation made for fuel in 1904. Until 1904 the hospital had at its command a supply of natural gas which materially conserved the amount of fuel used. We may add that this gas was not paid for by the city because the contract with the gas company required the delivery of this fuel to the City Hospital free of charge. However, this has been a subject of dispute and the city may yet be forced to pay for fuel natural gas used in past years. When the supply of natural gas was discontinued the fuel appropriation was not increased sufficiently, and we would respectfully urge that your body appropriate the money asked for. As the fuel fund is entirely exhausted at the present time, the necessity for the appropriation is very evident.

We may add that the contract for fuel at the City Hospital was let upon competitive bids which were advertised for in the local papers three days, and that every pound of coal that has been delivered to the City Hospital was weighed on the City Hospital scales and payment made on the basis of the certificates of the Weighmaster of the City Hospital.

The other two appropriation items viz.: Nursing and Flower Mission Hospital are well known to you and hardly need explaining. We may add that the increase in the size of the hospital with the increase in the number of patients handled amounting to over 75% in six months of last year, has necessitated increasing the force of nurses.

The Flower Mission Hospital is well-known to you and needs but little discussion. The appropriation for its maintenance has been exhausted, and it is necessary that the appropriation asked for be made or else this very worthy institution will close.

The City Hospital is the city's largest charity and the appropriations asked for are essential and absolutely necessary.

Very respectfully,

T. VICTOR KEENE,  
Secretary Board of Health.

Which was read.

## REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

From the Finance Committee:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 52, 1905, have had same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GASPER.

J. H. CRALL.

LEW W. COOPER.

W. A. RHODES.

M. J. SHEA.

Which was read.

Mr. Gasper moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

From the Finance Committee:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 48, 1905, have had same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GASPER.

J. H. CRALL.

LEW W. COOPER.

W. A. RHODES.

M. J. SHEA.

Which was read.

Mr. Gasper moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

From the Finance Committee:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 23, 1905, have had same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GASPER.

J. H. CRALL.

LEW W. COOPER.

W. A. RHODES.

M. J. SHEA.

Mr. Gasper moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

From the Finance Committee:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, 1905, have had same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GASPER,  
J. H. CRALL,  
LEW W. COOPER.  
W. A. RHODES,  
M. J. SHEA,

Which was read.

Mr Gasper moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

From the Finance Committee:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 21, 1905, have had same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GASPER.  
J. H. CRALL.  
LEW W. COOPER.  
W. A. RHODES.  
M. J. SHEA.

Which was read.

Mr. Gasper moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

From the Finance Committee:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 20, 1905, have had same under consideration and would respectfully recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GASPER,  
J. H. CRALL.  
LEW W. COOPER.  
W. A. RHODES.  
M. J. SHEA.

Which was read.

Mr. Gasper moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Gasper moved that the Common Council take a recess of 15 minutes to give the Committee on Contracts and Franchises an opportunity to meet. Carried.

At 8:40 o'clock the Common Council reconvened.

Mr. Crall moved to refer back to report from the Committee on Contracts and Franchises. Carried.

From the Committee on Contracts and Franchises:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 3, 1905.

Your Committee on Contracts and Franchises have had General Ordinance No. 51, 1905, under consideration and recommend that same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. CRALL,  
J. L. GASPER,  
CHAS. G. DAVIS,  
FRED W. EPPERT,  
ANDREW H. WAHL,  
JAMES D. MORIARITY.

Which was read.

Mr. Crall moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried

#### INTRODUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES

By the City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 24—1905: An ordinance appropriating \$1,500 to the Department of Public Works for the Brightwood Water Works.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That there be and is hereby appropriated to the Department of Public Works the sum of \$1,500 for the "Brightwood Water Works."

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

By the City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 25—1905: An ordinance appropriating \$4,500 to the Department of Public Works for bath houses.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That there be and is hereby appropriated to the Department of Public Works the sum of \$4,500 to provide bath houses on Fall Creek between Thirtieth street and Northwestern avenue, and on Pleasant Run between Meridian and Shelby streets, and to prepare plans and estimates for a bath house centrally located.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

President Billingsley presented the following communication:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 1, 1905.

Hon. Jas. H. Billingsley, President City Council:

Dear Sir: The Board of Park Commissioners has directed me to request that the Honorable City Council pass an ordinance for the erection of safety gates at the following crossings:

Southern avenue and the Pennsylvania R. R.

The Belt R. R. and Twenty-first street.

The Belt R. R. and Eighteenth street.

By order of the Board of Park Commissioners.

B. Q. HENDRICKS,  
Secretary.

Which was read.

Mr. Crall moved that the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to draft ordinance in concurrence with the above communication. Carried.

#### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Gasper called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 20, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Gasper moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 20, 1905, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 20, 1905, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, none.

Mr. Gasper called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 21, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Gasper moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 21, 1905, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 21, 1905, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, none.

Mr. Gasper called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Gasper moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, 1905, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, 1905, was read a third time and failed to pass by the following vote:

Ayes, 11, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Moriarity, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright.

Noes, 7, viz.: Messrs. Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Murray and President James H. Billingsley.

Mr. Gasper called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 23, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Gasper moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 23, 1905, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 23, 1905, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, none.

Mr. Gasper called for General Ordinance No. 48, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Gasper moved that General Ordinance No. 48, 1905, be



ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 48, 1905, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, none.

Mr Gasper called for General Ordinance No. 52, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Gasper moved that General Ordinance No. 52, 1905, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried

General Ordinance No. 52, 1905, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, none.

Mr. Crall called for General Ordinance No. 51, 1905, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Crall moved that General Ordinance No. 51, 1905, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 51, 1905, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 18, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Shea, Storm, Sullivan, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer, Wright and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, none.

Mr. Shea moved that General Ordinance No. 50, 1905, be taken from the hands of the Committee on Contracts and Franchises and read the second time.

Mr. Gasper moved to lay Mr. Shea's motion on the table.

Mr. Gasper's motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes, 14, viz.: Messrs. Cooper, Cottey, Crall, Davis, Eppert, Gasper, Hofmann, Moriarity, Murray, Rhodes, Uhl, Wahl, Wolsiffer and President James H. Billingsley.

Noes, 4, viz.: Messrs. Shea, Storm, Sullivan and Wright.

On motion of Mr. Cooper the Common Council, at 9:20 o'clock, P. M., adjourned

*J. H. Billingsley*  
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President.

ATTEST:

*W. M. Fogarty*  
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City Clerk.

