

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,

MONDAY, July 5, 1915.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, July 5, 1915, at 7:30 o'clock in regular session, President Thomas C. Lee in the chair.

Present: The Hon. Thomas C. Lee, President of the Common Council, and 8 members, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Young, McGuff, Miller, Porter, Connor, Graham and Shea.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 23, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council, Indianapolis, Indiana:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved and signed the following ordinances:

1. Appropriation Ordinance No. 16, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance appropriating \$3,500 to the Department of Law for judgments, compromises and costs to the Department of Law, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect."
2. Appropriation Ordinance No. 14, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance appropriating \$3,000 to the Department of Law for the payment of judgments, compromises and costs."
3. Appropriation Ordinance No. 13, 1915, the same being an ordinance

entitled, "An ordinance appropriating \$1,950 to the Department of Public Works for the purchase of automobiles for the City Engineering Department."

I return the above named ordinances herewith.

Yours very truly,
J. E. BELL,
Mayor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 23, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council, Indianapolis, Indiana:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved and signed the following ordinances:

1. General Ordinance No. 21, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance authorizing the employment of lawyers to examine titles of land taken by the city for flood prevention, and appropriating money to pay for their services."

2. General Ordinance No. 28, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance authorizing the sale of five hundred and forty (540) bonds of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars each of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, payable from the general revenues and funds of said city, or from the Sinking Fund of said city, or as may be required by law, for the purpose of procuring money to be used in the flood prevention and work thereunto appertaining, and providing for the time and manner of advertising sale of bonds and the receipt of bids for the same, together with the mode and terms of sale, levying a tax for the payment of said bonds, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect."

3. General Ordinance No. 29, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance authorizing the sale of two hundred (200) bonds of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars each of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, payable from the general revenues and funds of said city, or from the Sinking Fund of said city, or as may be required by law, for the purpose of procuring money to be used in the elevation of railroad tracks and work thereunto appertaining, and providing for the time and manner of advertising sale of bonds and the receipt of bids for the same, together with the mode and terms of sale, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect."

4. General Ordinance No. 31, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance ratifying, confirming and approving a certain contract or franchise made and entered into on the second day of June, 1915, by and between the City of Indianapolis, by and through its Mayor, its Board of Public Safety and Howe S. Landers, receiver of the surviving partnership of Bretney & Geisendorf."

I return the said ordinances herewith.

Yours very truly,
J. E. BELL,
Mayor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 23, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council, Indianapolis, Ind.:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved and signed General Ordinance No. 37, 1915, the same being an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance approving a certain contract granting the Cabinet Makers' Union the right to lay and maintain a sidetrack or switch across Pine Street and Ohio Street, according to blue print attached, in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana."

I return the said ordinance herewith.

Yours very truly,
J. E. BELL,
Mayor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 28, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council, Indianapolis, Ind.:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved and signed Resolution No. 4, 1915, the same being a resolution entitled, "A resolution relating to the adoption of a design for a flag, to be known as 'The Flag of the City of Indianapolis.'"

I return the said resolution herewith.

Yours very truly,
J. E. BELL,
Mayor.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

From City Controller:

FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 22, 1915.

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

GENTLEMEN—During the preceding administration the Recreation Department purchased the property on Ringold Street used as a playground and was to pay \$1,000 a year in the purchase. The \$1,000 due last year was not paid, but was renewed to fall due on June 20, 1915. This obligation should be met at once, and I therefore recommend an appropriation to the Board of Health for \$1,030 to cover principal and interest due, and inclose ordinance providing for the same.

Respectfully submitted,
J. P. DUNN,
City Controller.

From City Controller :

FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 5, 1915.

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

GENTLEMEN—Inasmuch as the Flood Prevention Bonds, recently authorized, were duly offered for sale, and no bids were received, and as money is urgently needed for the prosecution of this work, I ask authority to sell said bonds at private sale for not less than par and accrued interest, giving property owners and contractors preference in the purchase of the bonds. On both this issue and the recent issue of Track Elevation Bonds I received proposals from bond brokers to dispose of the entire issue at par and accrued interest, if paid a commission for doing so. Whether this would be held legal or not, it seems to me to be an evasion of the spirit of the law, and I see no reason why the city should not save the commission by direct sale. I, therefore, inclose ordinance providing for such sale, for which I ask your prompt consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. DUNN,
City Controller.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

From the Committee on Finance :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 28, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

GENTLEMEN—We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 15, 1915, entitled "An ordinance appropriating \$1,557.68 for reimbursement for weed cutting, and \$2,842.23 for City Hospital Building Fund, to the Department of Public Health and Charities, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect," beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. CONNOR,
FRANK GRAHAM,
W. T. YOUNG,
MICHAEL J. SHEA,
EDWARD MCGUFF.

Mr. Connor moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

From the Committee on Finance:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 28, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

GENTLEMEN—We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 33, 1915, entitled "An ordinance appropriating \$15,511.60 to the Department of Public Safety for fire force pay roll, for men at new stations, and fixing a time when same shall take effect," beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. CONNOR,
FRANK GRAHAM,
W. T. YOUNG,
MICHAEL J. SHEA,
EDWARD MCGUFF.

Mr. Connor moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

From the Committee on Public Works:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 5, 1915.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

GENTLEMEN—We, your Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred Special Ordinance No. 8, 1915, entitled "An ordinance annexing certain territory to the City of Indianapolis, and defining a part of the boundary line of said city, and fixing the time when same shall take effect," beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD MCGUFF,
W. T. YOUNG,
EDWARD P. BARRY,
EDWARD R. MILLER,
JOHN F. CONNOR.

Mr. McGuff moved that the report of the Committee be concurred in. Carried.

INTRODUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

By City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 17, 1915: An ordinance appropriating \$1,030 to the Department of Public Health and Charities for payment of Ringold Street playground note, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

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 Health and Charities the sum of \$1,030 for payment of note due on Ringold Street playground.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

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

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

By City Controller:

General Ordinance No. 38, 1915: An ordinance authorizing the City Controller to sell Flood Prevention Bonds at private sale, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, that the City Controller be and is hereby authorized to sell at private sale the Flood Prevention Bonds authorized by General Ordinance No. 28, 1915, and which were duly offered for sale by public competitive bidding on July 2, 1915, at which time no bids were received. Such bonds may be sold in any quantity at not less than par and accrued interest, or with interest coupons reduced by the amount of accrued interest, conforming in other respects to the terms of said Ordinance No. 28, authorizing said bond issue, after making such advertisement of said proposed private sale as he may deem proper.

SECTION 2. All persons from whom property has been purchased for flood prevention, or who have furnished material or labor therefor, who

shall enter into an agreement with the Department of Public Works to accept Flood Prevention Bonds in full or part payment therefor, at par and accrued interest, shall be given preference in the purchase of said bonds to such agreed amounts; and the City Controller shall, upon such purchase, issue his warrant on the City Treasurer for such amount to such purchaser, and upon return of the same, properly indorsed by such purchaser to the City Treasurer, shall issue said bonds in like amount to such purchaser.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Barry moved that the rules be suspended and General Ordinance No. 38, 1915, be placed upon its passage.

The roll was called and the motion to suspend the rules carried by the following vote:

Ayes, 9, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Young, McGuff, Miller, Porter, Connor, Graham, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

Mr. Barry called for General Ordinance No. 38, 1915, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Barry moved that General Ordinance No. 38, 1915, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 38, 1915, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Young, McGuff, Miller, Porter, Connor, Graham, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Connor called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 15, 1915, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Connor moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 15, 1915, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 15, 1915, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Young, McGuff, Miller, Porter, Connor, Graham, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

Mr. Connor called for General Ordinance No. 33, 1915, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Connor moved that General Ordinance No. 33, 1915, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 33, 1915, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Young, McGuff, Miller, Porter, Connor, Graham, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

Mr. McGuff called for Special Ordinance No. 8, 1915, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. McGuff moved that Special Ordinance No. 8, 1915, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Special Ordinance No. 8, 1915, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Young, McGuff, Miller, Porter, Connor, Graham, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

Mr. Barry called for General Ordinance No. 35, 1915, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Barry moved that General Ordinance No. 35, 1915, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 35, 1915, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 6, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Miller, Porter, Connor, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

Noes, 3, viz.: Messrs. Young, McGuff and Graham.

Mr. Barry called for General Ordinance No. 36, 1915, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Barry moved that General Ordinance No. 36, 1915, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 36, 1915, was read a third time and, for lack of constitutional majority, failed to pass by the following vote:

Ayes, 5, viz.: Messrs. Barry, Miller, Connor, Shea and President Thomas C. Lee.

Noes, 4, viz.: Messrs. Young, McGuff, Porter and Graham.

On motion of Mr. Miller, the Common Council, at 8:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

Thomas C. Lee
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President.

ATTEST:

Thomas A. Riley
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City Clerk.

