

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 1, 1933.

7:30 P. M.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber at City Hall, Monday, May 1, 1933, at 7:30 p. m., in regular session. President Ernest C. Ropkey in the chair.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Ernest C. Ropkey, President, and four members, viz: George A. Henry, Maurice E. Tennant, Leo F. Welch, Clarence I. Wheatley.

Absent: Fred C. Gardner, Carl A. Hildebrand, James A. Houck, Chas. C. Morgan.

On motion of Mr. Wheatley, seconded by Mr. Welch, the reading of the Journal for the previous meeting was dispensed with.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

April
19th,
1933.

*To the Honorable President and Members
of the Common Council of the City of
Indianapolis,
Indianapolis, Indiana.*

Gentlemen:

I have this day approved with my signature and delivered to Henry O. Goett, City Clerk, the following ordinances:

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 4, 1933

AN ORDINANCE appropriating the sum of Fifty-seven Dollars and Forty Cents (\$57.40) from the estimated unexpended and unappropriated balance of the general fund for the year 1932 to City Plan Commission Fund No. 13—Other Compensation, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 31, 1933

AN ORDINANCE repealing Section 869 of General Ordinance No. 121, 1925, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

Respectfully,

R. H. SULLIVAN,
Mayor.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

May 1, 1933.

*To the Honorable President
and Members of the Common Council
of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.*

Gentlemen:

Attached please find copies of Appropriation Ordinance No. 7, 1933, appropriating the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) from the unexpended and unappropriated balance of the General Fund for the year 1932 to the Department of Public Safety, Police Department Fund No. 53—Refunds, Awards and Indemnities.

I respectfully recommend the passage of this ordinance.

Yours respectfully,

WM. L. ELDER,
City Controller.

April 25, 1933.

*Wm. L. Elder,
City Controller,
City of Indianapolis.*

Dear Sir:

For your information, we are enclosing herewith a copy of letter received from the Legal Department regarding a judgment rendered in Superior Court Room 5 in favor of Ann Buck, formerly a police-woman in the Indianapolis Police Department, for salary due her to and including March 15, 1932.

The Board of Safety respectfully requests that an ordinance be prepared and presented to the Common Council creating Fund No. 53—Refunds, Awards and Indemnities—in the Police Department Budget, and appropriating the sum of \$2,000.00 from the unexpended balance of 1932 to cover this judgment.

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
/s/ WALTER O. LEWIS,
Executive Secretary.

May 1, 1933.

*Mr. Henry O. Goett, City Clerk,
Indianapolis, Indiana.*

Dear Sir:

Acting under instructions of the Board of Health, I am transmitting to you herewith, fourteen copies of a general ordinance authorizing the purchase by the Board of Health, or its duly authorized agent, Ten Thousand tons, more or less, of coal, nut, slack and/or screenings, from May 1, 1933, to April 30, 1934, to be delivered to the Power Plant, at the City Hospital, and weighed on City Hospital scales, deliveries to be made as ordered by hospital authorities; and fixing a time when said ordinance shall take effect.

The Board of Health respectfully requests that you present this ordinance to the Common Council at its next meeting with the request of the Board of Health that the same be passed.

Very truly yours,

H. G. MORGAN,
Secretary, Board of Health.

5-1-33.

*Mr. Henry O. Goett,
Indianapolis, Indiana.*

Dear Mr. Goett:

I am handing you herewith ordinance which I wish introduced this evening, covering the rates charged for taxicab purposes.

Yours truly,

FRED C. GARDNER.

INTRODUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES

By City Controller:

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 7, 1933

AN ORDINANCE appropriating the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) from the unexpended and unappropriated balance of the General Fund for the year 1932 to the Department of Public Safety, Police Department Fund No. 53, Refunds, Awards and Indemnities, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

Section 1. That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the unexpended and unappropriated balance of the General Fund for the year 1932 and transferred to Department of Public Safety, Police Department, Fund No. 53, Refunds, Awards and Indemnities, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

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

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

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL ORDINANCES

By Mr. Gardner:

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 32, 1933

AN ORDINANCE defining taxi-cabs, regulating the fares thereof, repealing ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership or corporation to own, operate, keep or drive for pay or hire within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, any taxi-cab, without complying in all particulars with the terms and provisions of this ordinance.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS: (a) The term "taxi-cab" as used in this ordinance means every automobile or motor propelled vehicle

with a seating capacity of eight passengers or less, used for the transportation of passengers over the public streets of the City of Indianapolis for pay or hire and not over a defined route irrespective of whether such operations extend beyond the limits of said city, the trip of which vehicle and/or its destination is fixed by the person or persons hiring the same, such motor vehicle being not then operated under the direction or supervision of the Public Service Commission of the State of Indiana or amenable to any of the rules or regulations of said Public Service Commission of the State of Indiana.

(b) The term "waiting time" within the meaning of this ordinance shall be construed to include the time when the taxi-cab is not in motion beginning with the arrival at the place to which it has been called or the time consumed while standing at the direction of the passenger but shall not include any time lost by inefficiency of the taxi-cab or its operator or time consumed by premature response to a call.

Section 3. RATES OF FARE: No person, firm, partnership or corporation owning, operating or controlling any motor vehicle used as a taxi-cab within the limits of the City of Indianapolis shall charge less than the following rates, to be determined by the taximeter.

For the first two-thirds of a mile or fraction thereof,
\$.10, for each succeeding two-thirds mile or fraction
thereof, \$.10.

No person, firm, partnership or corporation owning, operating or controlling any motor vehicle used as a taxi-cab within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, shall charge more than the following rates to be determined by the taximeter:

For the first one-third mile or fraction thereof, \$.25,
and for each succeeding two-thirds mile or fraction
thereof, \$.15.

Provided, however, that a taxi-cab may be hired for a rate not less than One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) nor more than Three Dollars (\$3.00) per hour or fraction thereof when so hired before the trip is begun.

Provided further that for each four (4) minutes of waiting there may be a charge of not less than Ten Cents (\$.10).

The above rates shall be for not less than one (1) person nor more than four (4).

Section 4. **PENALTY:** Any person, firm, partnership or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof be punished by fine not exceeding Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to which may be added imprisonment for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days or by both such fine and imprisonment, and each day that the terms and provisions of this ordinance are violated by such person, firm, partnership or corporation, shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

Section 5. **REPEAL:** This ordinance shall not repeal any of the provisions of General Ordinance No. 28, 1931, as amended and now in force, which are not inconsistent herewith, but is, and shall be additional thereto. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

By Purchasing Agent:

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 33, 1933

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the purchase by the board of public health and charities, or its duly authorized agent, of ten thousand (10,000) tons, more or less, of coal, nut, slack and/or screenings from May 1, 1933, to April 30, 1934, to be delivered to the Power Plant, City Hospital, and weighed on hospital scales, deliveries to be made as ordered by hospital authorities.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

Section 1. That the board of public health and charities of the City of Indianapolis be and it is hereby authorized to purchase, through its duly authorized agent, ten thousand (10,000) tons, more or less, coal, nut, slack and/or screenings, to be delivered to the Power Plant, City Hospital, as ordered by the hospital authorities, said coal to be purchased only after competitive bids have been advertised therefor according to law and purchase to be made from the lowest and best bidder or bidders, and the total cost thereof shall not exceed Twenty-two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$22,400.00).

Section 2. That said purchase price for said coal shall be paid out of the funds heretofore appropriated to the Department of Public Health and Charities for the City of Indianapolis for the year 1933.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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

On motion of Mr. Henry, seconded by Mr. Wheatley, the Common Council adjourned at 7:45 p. m.

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the proceedings of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, held on the 1st day of May, 1933, at 7:30 p. m.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto subscribed our signatures and caused the seal of the City of Indianapolis to be affixed.

Ernest C Ropkey

President.

ATTEST:

Henry O Goett

City Clerk.

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