

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Monday, March 3, 1919.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 3, 1919, at 7:30 o'clock in regular session, President Wm. B. Peake in the chair.

Present: The Hon. Wm. B. Peake, President of the Common Council, and seven (7) members, viz.: Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt and Willson.

Mr. Willson moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR.

February 21, 1919.

To the President and Members of the Common Council.

Gentlemen: I have this day signed and delivered to Mr. George O. Hutsell, General Ordinance No. 6, Resolutions Numbers 3 and 4.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. JEWETT.

February 25, 1919.

To the President and Members of the Common Council.

Gentlemen: I have this day signed and delivered to Mr. George O. Hutsell, General Ordinance No. 7.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. JEWETT.

February 27, 1919.

To the President and Members of the Common Council.

Gentlemen: I have this day signed and delivered to Mr. George O. Hutsell, General Ordinance No. 8 and Resolution No. 1.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. JEWETT.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

From City Controller:

March 3, 1919.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Common Council.

Gentlemen: I hand you herewith a communication from the Board of Public Works asking for an appropriation of \$2,000.00 to the Board of Public Works for the purpose of paying expenses of an architect and for a preliminary survey of the East Market House, authorizing the employment of an architect and providing for a time when same shall take effect.

I submit also herewith an ordinance calling for above appropriation and recommend its passage.

Very truly yours,

ROBT. H. BRYSON,
City Controller.

March 3, 1919.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Common Council.

Gentlemen: I hand you herewith a communication from the Board of Public Works asking for an appropriation of \$1,100.00 to a fund known as "Assessments against the City of Indianapolis."

I submit you also herewith an ordinance calling for above amount and recommend its passage.

Very truly yours,

ROBT. H. BRYSON,
City Controller.

March 3, 1919.

Mr. Robert H. Bryson, City Controller, City.

Dear Sir: I am submitting herewith for your approval and transmission to the Common Council two ordinances as follows:

(1) Appropriating the sum of Two Thousand Dollars for the purpose of paying the expenses of an architect and for a preliminary survey of the East Market House.

(2) Appropriating the sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars to the "Assessments Against the City of Indianapolis" fund.

Yours truly,

W. F. CLEARY,
Clerk, Board of Public Works

From Judge of City Court:

March 3, 1919.

To the President and Members of the Common Council.

Dear Sirs: As the duties and responsibilities of the City Clerk's office have materially increased during the last year, and the sessions

of the City Court at times continue long after the regular hours, owing to the large number of Blind Tiger cases, I heartily endorse any action taken by the Council in making an increase in the salary of the first and second assistant City Clerks.

The annual salary of these clerks is now \$384.00 less than that of the Bailiff and Probation Officer of this Court.

Very truly yours,

WALTER PRITCHARD,

City Judge.

From City Clerk:

March 3, 1919.

To the President and Members of the Common Council.

Gentlemen: According to the present law governing the salaries in the office of the city clerk, the deputies can not receive a salary of more than \$1,200.00 per year.

I do not consider this adequate for the services rendered by these deputies.

When we consider the volume of work done by these deputies, and knowing the ability of these men, it is my opinion that the city council should have the power to raise, and regulate the salary in the city clerk's office.

Any action taken by your Honorable body to help relieve this situation, will be highly gratifying to me.

Very truly yours,

G. O. HUTSELL,

City Clerk.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., February 17, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 5, 1919, entitled An ordinance appropriating the sum of Twenty-five Hundred (\$2500.00) Dollars to the Department of Public Works 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 do pass.

LOUIS W. CARNEFIX, Chairman.

O. B. PETTIJOHN.

RUSSELL WILLSON.

SUMNER A. FURNISS.

G. G. SCHMIDT.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried.

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1919, entitled An ordinance appropriating money for the purpose of paying the Columbia Construction Company the amounts of reductions found upon reviews and reassessments of the assessments of benefits for the construction of a sewer in Thirtieth Street, under Resolution No. 9058 made by the Board of Public Works of the City of Indianapolis, by the Superior Court of Marion County in appeals of the Union Trust Company, trustee, and Charles W. Oakes, from the assessments of benefits made by the Board of Public Works, beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass.

LOUIS W. CARNEFIX, Chairman.

O. B. PETTIJOHN.

RUSSELL WILLSON.

SUMNER A. FURNISS.

G. G. SCHMIDT.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried.

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 7, 1919, entitled An ordinance appropriating the sum of Forty-six Dollars and Ninety-two Cents (\$46.92) to the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of reimbursing Dwight S. Ritter for expenses incurred as a delegate in attending a certain

convention at Chicago, Illinois, beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass.

LOUIS W. CARNEFIX, Chairman. *
O. B. PETTIJOHN.
RUSSELL WILLSON.
SUMNER A. FURNISS.
G. G. SCHMIDT.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried.

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 8, 1919, entitled An ordinance appropriating the sum of Three Hundred Seven Dollars and Twelve Cents to the Department of Finance for the purpose of paying certain expenses of the City Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Indianapolis in the 1917 city primary registration and election, 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 do pass.

LOUIS W. CARNEFIX, Chairman.
O. B. PETTIJOHN.
RUSSELL WILLSON.
SUMNER A. FURNISS.
G. G. SCHMIDT.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 9, 1919, entitled An ordinance appropriating money to the Department of Public Works for the payment of judgment and costs in favor of the New White River Sand and Gravel

Company, beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass.

LOUIS W. CARNEFIX, Chairman.
O. B. PETTIJOHN.
RUSSELL WILLSON.
SUMNER A. FURNISS.
G. G. SCHMIDT.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried.

From the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 9, 1919, entitled An ordinance authorizing the City Controller to make a temporary loan of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, in anticipation of current revenues, appropriating one hundred and one thousand and six hundred (\$101,600.00) dollars for payment of same 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 do pass.

LOUIS W. CARNEFIX, Chairman.
O. B. PETTIJOHN.
RUSSELL WILLSON.
SUMNER A. FURNISS.
G. G. SCHMIDT.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried

From the Committee on Public Safety:

Indianapolis, Ind., March 3, 1919.

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

Gentlemen: We, your Committee on Public Safety, to whom was referred Resolution No. 2, 1919, entitled A resolution to permit the establishment of a Cemetery within four miles of the City Limits, beg leave to report that we have had said resolution under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

S. A. FURNISS.
LEE J. KIRSCH.
J. E. MILLER.
L. W. CARNEFIX.

Mr. Furniss moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried.

INTRODUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

By City Controller :

Appropriation Ordinance No. 11, 1919.

An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Two Thousand Dollars to the Board of Public Works for the purpose of paying the expenses of an architect and for a preliminary survey of the East Market House, authorizing the employment of an architect and providing a time when the same shall take effect.

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana,

Section 1. That the Board of Public Works is hereby authorized to employ an architect to make a preliminary survey of the East Market House for the purpose of advising the Board of Public Works and the Board of Public Safety as to the needed repairs therein, and to draw plans and specifications for said Boards for said repairs. Said Board of Public Works is hereby authorized to employ said architect upon a basis of not to exceed two per cent. of the proposed cost of said proposed repairs to be done on said East Market House.

And provided further, that the total cost of said preliminary survey, including all work, plans and specifications furnished or done by said architect, shall not exceed a total of Two Thousand Dollars.

Sec. 2. That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Two Thousand Dollars to the Board of Public Works for the purpose of paying said architect for his services authorized by this Ordinance, and of making said preliminary survey and paying all the expenses therein, as provided in Section 1 of the herein Ordinance.

Sec. 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time.

By unanimous consent, Mr. George Lemaux, member of the Board of Public Works, addressed the Common Council and explained Appropriation Ordinance No. 11, 1919.

Mr. Pettijohn moved that the rules be suspended and Appropriation Ordinance No. 11, 1918, be placed upon its passage.

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

Ayes, 5, viz.: Messrs. Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, and Willson.

Noes, 3, viz.: Messrs. Carnefix, Schmidt and President Wm. B. Peake.

President Peake referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 11, 1919, to the Committee on Finance.

By City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 12, 1919.

An ordinance appropriating the sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars to the "Assessments Against the City of Indianapolis" fund of the Board of Public Works, and declaring 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 the sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars to the "Assessments Against the City of Indianapolis" fund of the Board of Public Works.

SEC. 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 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Carnefix:

Resolution No. 5, 1919.

A resolution to place the City Council of Indianapolis, Indiana, on record as being in favor of the passage of Senate Bill No. 245.

Whereas, a measure is now pending in the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, said measure being known as Senate Bill No. 245, said bill providing that the compensation of Deputy City Clerks be fixed by the Common Council; and,

Whereas, the Judge of the City Court and the City Clerk have recommended that the salaries of the First and Second Assistant City Clerks be adjusted to conform with the volume of work being done by them; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, that we express our approval of said "Senate Bill No. 245," and urge its immediate passage; and, be it further

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of the General Assembly, from Marion County, to the President of the Senate, and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the rules be suspended and Resolution No. 5, 1919, be placed upon its passage.

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

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt, Willson and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix called for Resolution No. 5, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Resolution No. 5, 1919, be adopted.

The roll was called and Resolution No. 5, 1919, was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt, Willson and President Wm. B. Peake.

By Mr. Carnefix:

Resolution No. 6, 1919.

Whereas, the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis is directly responsible to the citizens and taxpayers of this City for salaries and salary increases of the City employees, and the nature and extent of their duties and responsibilities are peculiarly within the knowledge of said Council;

Be it resolved, that it is the sense of said Common Council that House Bill No. 287, now pending before the Senate, should be amended so as to fix a maximum salary of the proposed Purchasing Agent at \$5,000.00, such salary to be increased from its present amount, to wit, \$4,000.00, by said Council, to any amount up to said maximum, when, in said Council's opinion, such increase is warranted, and, further, that

said bill should be amended so as to give said Council the power to fix all salaries of all other employees of said Purchasing Agent's Department.

Mr. Carnefix moved that the rules be suspended and Resolution No. 6, 1919, be placed upon its passage.

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

Ayes, 8, viz. : Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt, Willson and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix called for Résolution No. 6, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Resolution No. 6, 1919, be adopted.

The roll was called and Resolution No. 6, 1919, was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz. : Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt, Willson and President Wm. B. Peake.

By Mr. Schmidt :

Mr. President : I move you that the Legal Department be requested to take such action as is necessary to have refunded to all gas consumers of this city all moneys wrongfully collected by the Citizens Gas Company for gas delivered to its consumers under the contract standard based on the schedule adopted by the Public Utilities Commission in case of City of Vincennes vs. Central States Gas Company or on more recent rulings by said Commission.

G. G. SCHMIDT.

Which motion carried.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Carnefix called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 5, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 5,

1919, be ordered engrossed, read a third time, and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 5, 1919, was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Kirsch, Willson, Miller, Schmidt, Furniss, Pettijohn, Carnefix and President William B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1919, be ordered engrossed, read a third time, and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 6, 1919, was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Kirsch, Willson, Miller, Schmidt, Furniss, Pettijohn, Carnefix and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 7, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 7, 1919, be ordered engrossed, read a third time, and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance, No. 7, 1919, was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Kirsch, Willson, Miller, Schmidt, Furniss, Pettijohn, Carnefix and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 8, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 8, 1919, be ordered engrossed, read a third time, and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 8, 1919, was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz. : Messrs. Kirsch, Peake, Willson, Miller, Schmidt, Furniss, Pettijohn, Carnefix and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix called for Appropriation Ordinance No. 9, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that Appropriation Ordinance No. 9, 1919, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 9, 1919, was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz. : Messrs. Kirsch, Willson, Miller, Schmidt, Furniss, Pettijohn, Carnefix and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Carnefix called for General Ordinance No. 9, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Carnefix moved that General Ordinance No. 9, 1919, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 9, 1919, was read a third time and passed by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz. : Messrs. Kirsch, Willson, Miller, Schmidt, Furniss, Pettijohn, Carnefix and President Wm. B. Peake.

Mr. Furniss called for Resolution No. 2, 1919, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Furniss moved that Resolution No. 2, 1919, be adopted.

The roll was called and Resolution No. 2, 1919, was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt, Willson and President Wm. B. Peake.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

By Mr. Willson:

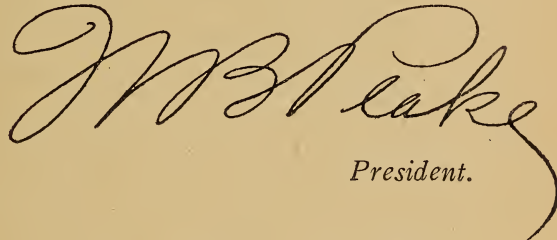
Mr. President: I move to strike General Ordinance No. 41, 1918, from the files.

WILLSON,
Councilman Second District.

The roll was called and General Ordinance No. 41, 1918, was stricken from the files by the following vote:

Ayes, 8, viz.: Messrs. Carnefix, Furniss, Kirsch, Miller, Pettijohn, Schmidt, Willson and President Wm. B. Peake.

On motion of Mr. Willson the Common Council at 9:40 o'clock p. m. adjourned.



Wm. B. Peake

President.

Attest:



City Clerk.