

## - Special Meeting.-

Common Council Chamber)  
September 12, 1853 )

Council met. Present Messrs Bradshaw, Dunlap, Edwards, Karns, Maguire, McCarty, Nelson, Pitts, & Strickland Councilmen, & Scudder President.

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On Motion by Mr Pitts

The assessment against the Madison Railroad Company was increased \$15,000 for improvements & decreased \$28,000 for track,

On Motion by Mr Pitts

The assessment against the several roads composing the Union Railroad Company for their proportion of the Union Depot was erased and the amount assessed to the Union Railroad Company

Mr. Delzell moved that the valuation on Mr. Holliday's nine lots in Square No. be increased to \$9,000

Which motion did not prevail.

\* Mr. Maguire offered the following ordinance for adoption:  
"An ordinance explanatory of an ordinance amendatory of an ordinance, entitled an ordinance to prevent the erection of Wooden buildings on Washington Street."

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the Common of the city of Indianapolis, That the ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to prevent the erection of Wooden buildings on Washington street approved September 5th 1853, be so construed as not to interfere with the erection of buildings for which contracts has been made and materials furnished on the ground previous to the passage of said ordinance.

Section 2. This ordinance to be in force from and after its passage.

Which was ordained by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, Edwards, Karns, Maguire McCarty, Nelson, Pitts & Strickland - 9.

Noes: None.

Mr. Edwards moved that the Council proceed to the levying of the taxes for the current year.

Mr. Newcomb presented the following ordinance:

"An ordinance relative to the levying of taxes for the year 1853 for city purposes.



Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, That a tax for general city purposes shall be & is hereby levied upon each one hundred dollars, of the value of all property entered for taxation in the general list of city taxables, for the year 1853. The sum of forty cents; and on each poll, subject by law to taxation 50 cents.

Sec 2. That there is hereby levied, upon each one hundred dollars of said list of Taxables, for school purposes for the current year the sum of twenty cents.

Sec 3. This ordinance to be in force from and after its passage.

Mr. Newcomb moved the blank relative to poll tax be filled by the figures 25

Mr. Edwards that it be filled with figures 50.

The question being "Shall the blank be filled with the figures 50?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

On Motion by Mr.

"Section 1st was amended by adding" and on each day on the assessment roll one dollar".

Which Motion prevailed.

Mr Delzell moved to strike out the word "forty" where it occurs in the ordinance relative to the general city tax, and insert "thirty."

Which did not prevail by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Delzell, McCarty, & Newcomb. - 3

Noes: Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, Edwards, Karns, Maguire, Nelson, Pitts, & Strickland - 8.

The question being upon the adoption or rejection of the ordinance it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, Edwards, Karns, Maguire, McCarty, Nelson, Newcomb, Pitts, & Strickland. - 10

Noes: Mr. Delzell. 1

On Motion by Mr. Dunlap, it was

Ordered, That the Civil Engineer give grade stakes for a brick sidewalk on the North & East of Lot No. 1 in Square No. 75. (Baptist church lot.)

On Motion by Mr Newcomb, it was

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be directed to grade & gravel the sidewalk on West side of Pennsylvania



street at the crossing of Michigan street."

Mr Bradshaw presented an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to prevent the sale and use of spirituous liquors, wine, ale, beer, and other malt liquors with the limits of the city of Indianapolis"

Which was on Motion by Mr Newcomb  
Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On Motion

Adjourned

Daniel B. Culley  
City Clerk.

Caleb Scudder  
Mayor

Common Council Chamber  
September 19th 1853.

Council met. Present Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, Delzell, Durham, Edwards, Karns, Maguire, Nelson, Newcomb, Pitts, & Strickland, Councilmen & Scudder, - Mayor.

Minutes of the preceeding meetings read and approved.

1292	Allowed Wm T Hubbard, Relief Engine House	
	Rent. (to 15 Sept.)	20.00

Messrs. Foote & Rice's acc't for candles amounting to 70¢ procured in Oct. 1851 - was referred to the committee on accounts.

On Motion by Mr Nelson the rules were suspended for the purpose of presenting a resolution for adoption:

Mr Nelson presented the following resolution:

Whereas, this Council has elected a printer which is not a fact, to do their printing, and publish all matters ordered by the Council; And whereas, The City Clerk has seen proper to give a large portion of the printing to other offices contrary to the instructions of this Council; Therefore, be it Resolved That hereafter this Council will not be responsible for the printing contracted for by the city officers with any other than the regularly elected printer, unless directed especially by this Council.

Which was adopted by the following vote

Ayes: Messrs. Bradshaw, Dunlap, Durham, Edwards, Karns, Nelson, Pitts, & Strickland - 8

Noes: Messrs. Maguire, & Newcomb. - 2

The City Clerk immediately tendered his resignation, because of the censure just administered.