

Attest
 James N Sweetser
 City Clerk

Common Council Chamber
 July 26 1854

The Council met at 8 O'clock P M. Present all the members except the President.

On motion Mr Maguire was called to the chair and took his seat as President pro. tem.

Mr Avery moved, That the Trustees of the Common Schools be invited to consult with the Council this evening in reference to the Common Schools.

Which motion prevailed.

The following communication was received

Indianapolis July 25th 1854
 To the Honorable City Council of Indianapolis

Gents I Herewith tender to you my resignation as officer in and about the Union Depot - and by accepting the same you will much oblige your humble servant.

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On motion said resignation was accepted.

The following accounts were allowed

G Kennell & Co	For Nozzles & pipes for Engines	\$24.80	
H F West	" goods furnished John		
	Sturgeon. (at M Eng House)	8.60	
John Coburn	For goods furnished John		
	Sturgeon. (at M Eng House)	6.20	\$39.60

Mr Selbert moved
 355. That the City Clerk be authorized to draw a warrant on the Treasury for the amount of freight due on the Fire Bells, \$8.65

Which motion prevailed.

Mr Karns moved, That the City Assessor be allowed further time until the first of September to make his return.

Which motion prevailed.

The following report was received

The undersigned reports to the City Council, that the petition of the property holders for grading and gravelling Georgia Street, between East and Noble Streets, is in accordance with the City Charter. A Profile of Georgia Street is herewith submitted to the Council, for the purpose of establishing the grade of said Street.

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Civil Engineer

Mr Seibert moved, That the grade of Georgia Street as presented by the Civil Engineer be established.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr Seibert moved, That the Civil Engineer be instructed to Advertise for proposals to grade and gravel Georgia Street, between East and Noble Streets.

Which motion prevailed.

The following report was received

The undersigned reports to the City Council, that the Bridge lately erected over Pogues Run on Market Street, cannot be used by Wagons and Carriages until the Street is raised at the ends of the Bridge. It will require 40 cubic yards of filling, which, at 22 cents pr yard, will cost eight dollars and eighty cents.

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Mr Pitts moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to fill up the Street at the ends of the Bridge with gravel.

Which motion prevailed.

The following report was received

Estimate of Seventeen gas posts, lamps & apparatus, and fixing up the same, and also of furnishing gas, lighting, extinguishing & cleaning the lamps, and keeping the same in repair for one year. Said lamps to be erected on Illinois Street, between Washington and Louisiana Streets, eight on the East side, and nine on the west side.

To 17' Posts, at \$15 each	\$255.00	
" 17 Lamps at \$ 6 "	102.00	
" 17 Burners, pipes, and copper cocks, at \$2.50 each	42.50	
" erecting & fixing the posts and lamps & c	48.20	\$447.70
" furnishing gas for one year, at \$20 each lamp	340.00	

To lighting, extinguishing, and cleaning the lamps	34.00	
" probable expense of keeping the lamps in repair	38.30	\$412.30
		<u>\$360.00</u>

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On motion Said report was laid on the Table.

Mr Karns moved, That the resolution requesting the School Trustees to report to the Council whether a suitable building can be obtained to accommodate the surplus children, be taken from the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

By consent of the Council Messrs Dillon and West addressed the Council on the Subject of Common Schools.

Mr Nelson moved, That Mr Cullings be allowed fifteen dollars for the balance claimed by him for building a Bridge over Pogues Run, " on failure of the payment of \$110 when said work was completed.

Mr Karns moved To amend by ordering the City Treasurer to pay said amount immediately or as soon as said sum should be paid in the Treasury.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr Seibert moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to make inquiry about the purchase of a School lot and report to the Council at the next meeting. Which motion prevailed and Messrs Seibert, Karns and Dunlap were appointed said Committee.

Mr Dunlap offered the following resolution

Resolved - That two thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of the revenue of 1854 to the securing and purchasing a site for a City Hospital; and that a Committee of three be appointed by the President of the Council to make the Selection, and report their proceedings at their earliest convenience.

Adopted by the following vote

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Boaz, Colley, Dunlap, Gowan, Karns, Keeley, Maguire, Nelson, Seibert & Truxsess. 10

In the Negative - Mr Pitts. 1

Mr Maguire offered the following resolution

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Common Schools be requested to inquire into propriety of selling the School House and lot in the 3d Ward and purchasing a large lot in a central part of Said Ward.

Adopted by the following vote

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Avery, Boaz, Colley, Dunlap, Gowan, Karns, Maguire, Nelson, Pitts, Seibert & Truxsess 12

In the Negative - None.

On motion adjourned until Monday next at 8 O'clock P M

Attest

James N Sweetser City Clerk.

James McCready Mayor.

Common Council Chamber
July 31st 1854

The Council met at 8 O'clock P M. Present the Mayor and all the Councilmen except Mr Dunlap.

The following communication was received

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis.

Gentlemen Am I authorized to take the assessments of persons coming in this City after the First day of January 1854

Yours Very Respectfully
John G Waters
City Assessor

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Mr Karns moved, That the communication be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr Colley moved to amend, By referring it to the City Attorney.

Which motion prevailed.

The following communication was received

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To the President and members of the Council of the City of Indianapolis

Gentlemen I offer this as my resignation as Sexton