

Common Council Chamber
August 8 1854

The Council met at 8 o'clock P M. Present the Mayor and all the Councilmen

Mr Nelson moved That Charles Mayer be permitted to use the dirt taken from his side walk on North Street

Which motion prevailed

A report from the Marshall was received exhibiting to the Council that he has received \$67.35 from the sale of hogs, from which he retained \$13.25 and paid to the Treasurer \$54.10.

The following report was received from the Committee on the Fire Department

The undersigned Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the proposition of Wm S Hubbard to lease for the term of two years from Dec 15/54 at \$200 per year, the building occupied by the Releif Fire Co have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report, that it is not probable a house could be had, Suitable for a Fire Company, nor in as convenient location, consequently they would recommend that Mr Hubbards proposition be accepted, and that the City Clerk be directed to enter into a lease with him accordingly
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Respectfully Submitted
Alex Graydon Jr)
John Trucksess) Committee
John L Avery)

On motion of Mr Karns said report was concurred in

Mr Pitts moved That the vote on the reception of the resignation of Samuel Hetsellgesser be reconsidered

Which motion prevailed

Mr Graydon moved That the resignation be laid on the table

Which motion prevailed

Mr Pitts moved That Samuel Hetsellgesser be appointed a police officer at the Union Depot

Which motion prevailed.

Mr Dunlap moved That the Council proceed to the election of night watchmen

Which motion prevailed.

The following persons were elected police men:

For the	
First Ward	John Bishop
Second Ward	John Bisbing
Third Ward	David Derringer
Fourth Ward	James W Burkhart
Fifth Ward	Jesse M Vanblaricum
Sixth Ward	Silas Harris
Seventh Ward	Reuben Adams

Mr Seibert moved That the Councilmen from the respective wards have the right to appoint a watchmen for their ward, on failure of the watchmen elected, to accept the appointment

Which motion prevailed

Mr Colley offered the following resolution

Resolved That no watchman elected shall be continued in that office any longer than he prove himself to be a sober and temperate man in his habits and faithfully discharge his duties

Adopted by the following vote

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs Avery, Boaz, Colley, Dunlap, Graydon, Jones, Karns, Keeley, Maguire, Nelson, Pitts, Seibert and Truxsess

In the Negative - None

Mr Maguire from the Judiciary Committee reported the following ordinance

Mr President

The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred a resolution instructing them to report an ordinance allowing members of the Council two dollars for each meeting they attend, now report the ordinance according to instructions

An Ordinance

Regulating the pay of Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

Sec 1 Be it ordained by the Common Council of Indianapolis. That from and after the first day of May 1854 each member of the Common Council shall receive for his Services as such Councilman two dollars for every meeting of the Common Council that he may attend, to be paid quarterly as other salaries are paid

Sec 2 All ordinances heretofore passed regulating the compensation of Councilmen are hereby repealed

Sec 3 This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage

Mr Maguire moved to amend the 1st Section by striking out all after the ordaining clause and inserting "That from and after the first day of May 1854 each member of the Common Council shall receive for his services two dollars for every regular meeting and one dollar for every Special meeting of the Council that he may attend to be paid quarterly"

Which motion did not prevail

Mr. Pitts moved to amend Section 1st by striking out "two" and inserting "three"

Which motion prevailed, and the following ordinance entitled

Mr Maguire moved to lay said Ordinance on the table. Which motion did not prevail

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Was ordained by the following vote

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Colley, Graydon, Gowan, Jones, Keeley, Pitts & Truxsess 7

In the Negative, Messrs Avery, Dunlap, Karns, Maguire, Nelson, & Seibert 6

Mr Colley moved That the Mayor and Marshall be authorized to employ a police force for to night

Which motion prevailed

On motion

Adjourned

James McCreedy Mayor

Attest

James N Sweetser
City Clerk