

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

ADJOURNED SESSION—MARCH 9, 1885.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 9th, A. D. 1885, at half-past seven o'clock, in adjourned session.

PRESENT—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council in the Chair, and Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf—22.

ABSENT, 3—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Downey, and Moran.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session, held March 2d, 1885, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

## COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM THE MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication, which was received; and when the ordinance will be referred to a committee, that the Telephone Company be invited to attend:

CENTRAL UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY,  
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,  
Indianapolis, Ind., March 6th, 1885. }

MR. JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor, and President of the Common Council, City of Indianapolis:

*Dear Sir:*—I would respectfully ask for this company a hearing before a committee of the Council, on General Ordinances Nos. 4 and 5, of 1885, under which it is proposed to abrogate the agreement now existing between the city and the Telephone company, and to make a new one, involving new conditions, and seriously affecting our interests.

Very respectfully yours,  
J. E. HOCKETT, Sup't.

His Honor, the Mayor, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the amount of fees and fines due the city, collected by me for the month of February, 1885, as follows:

Marshal's fees.....	\$139 30
Mayor's fees.....	102 20
Fines due city.....	32 60
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	\$274 10

Which said fees and fines I have this day paid over to the City Treasurer, and filed his receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully,

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor.

By consent, Councilman Haugh introduced the following entitled a appropriation ordinance; which was read the first and second times, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

Ap. O. 16, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of a certain claim against the City of Indianapolis, on account of printing for the Fire Department.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Edenharter, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Pearson moved that the members of the Committee from the Board of Trade be heard on the question as to building a City Hall and Market House, and that the Common Council then resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to meet in private session.

Which motion was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 16—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Mack, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler and Wharton.

NAYS, 5—viz. Councilmen Edenharter, Haugh, McClelland, Reinecke, and Wolf.

Messrs. R. S. Foster, E. B. Martindale, J. T. Bowen and W. D. Wilcox addressed the Common Council briefly on the merits of a City Hall and Market House.

The Committee from the Board of Trade then retired, and the members of the Common Council met as a Committee of the Whole in private session.

The Committee of the Whole having considered G. O. 7, 1885, as to the erection of a City Hall and Market House, the roll of the members of the Common Council being called, a quorum was found to be present.

Councilman Newcomb, in behalf of the Committee on Contracts, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts, together with the Chief Fire Engineer and City Civil Engineer, to whom was referred the bids for the construction of the Prospect street Engine House, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, viz:

Shaver & Christian.....	\$6,292 00
John P. Cruse & Co.....	6,003 50
J. M. Cochrane & Co.....	5,963 00

John J. Belles & Co.....	\$5,949 53
Henry Aufderheide.....	5,765 00
Peter Routier.....	5,700 00
J. A. Buchanan.....	5,325 00
B. M. & J. C. Carter.....	5,185 75
Jungelaus & Schumacher.....	5,150 00
Dark & Kemper.....	5,023 00
Thomas J. Morse.....	4,800 00
Lewis F. Burtin.....	4,749 00

All of the bids exceed the amount of the unexpended balance of the appropriation intended to cover all expenses connected with the purchase of the lot, preparation of the plans, and cost of building.

In view of these facts, and the additional fact that the Architect was positively instructed by the City Civil Engineer and Chief Fire Engineer to make plans for a building to cost within \$4,300.00, and as shown by the bids the lowest one is \$4,749.00, we do not feel warranted in recommending the awarding of said contract, on the present plans, but would suggest that the Council recede from the limit placed upon the expense of the building, or else authorize the City Civil Engineer and Chief Fire Engineer to make such alterations as will bring the cost of said building within the appropriation. This, we think, would not be advisable, as it is to be a permanent building, and should be well built. And further, we think we have a very low bid, as two other houses, just like this one, were built at an expense of near \$6,000 00. We therefore think it would be more economical to increase the appropriation \$500.00, than to have an inferior building erected. The original appropriation was \$5,000.00, which was to cover all expenses, including purchase of lot and the erection of the building. The amount expended to date is as follows: Lot, \$700.00; plans and specifications, \$75.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,  
M. M. Reynolds,  
P. J. Doyle,  
Committee on Contracts.

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

Councilman Pearson moved that the report be received, and that the contract be awarded to Lewis F. Burton, he being the lowest and best bidder; which was adopted.

Councilman Newcomb presented the contract and bond of Lewis F. Burton, in the penal sum of \$4,749.00, with G. Ittenbach, Levi Pierson and Joseph Ernst as sureties; which was read and approved.

Councilman Spahr introduced the following entitled ordinance with petition; which was read the first time:

S. O. 13, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of Delaware street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

To the Common Council and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—We, the undersigned, owners of more than two-thirds of the lots bordering on the east side of Delaware street, between Seventh or Tinker street and Eighth street, in the City of Indianapolis, hereby pray your honorable bodies to have the east sidewalk of Delaware street, between said cross-streets, paved with brick.

Austin F. Denny, Lot No. 64, Allen & Root's north addition, 40 feet; John T. Wilson, Lot No. 61, 40 feet; W. H. Coburn, Lot No. 62, 40 feet; W. S. Benson, Lot

57, 40 feet; Jno. B. Gough, Lot No. 60, 40 feet; W. H. Kindleberger, Lot No. 58, 40 feet; Chas. H. Rouser, Lot No. 63, 40 feet; Jno. W. Riley, Lot No. 66, 40 feet; W. J. Richards, Lot No. 56, 40 feet; T. E. Somerville, Lot No. 68, 40 feet; Mrs. Julia A. Mills, Lot No. 55, 40 feet.

Councilman Spahr presented a petition for paving the west sidewalk the above street; which was referred to the City Civil Engineer, with instructions to prepare an ordinance.

Councilman Reinecke presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

To the Mayor, Common Council, and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Lincoln Lane between south East street and Shelby street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the opening of Lincoln Lane from south East street to Shelby street.

Christ. Brunnhoefer, Ed. Heimbrook, Julius Pinney, Hermon Weghorst, John W. Moore, B. W. Hartley, A. Neimann, C. Brinkmann, John C. Tilford, Chas. H. Rihl, Fred. Rugenstein, Fredk. Neimann, Helmut Schmidt, Paul Schmidt, John Plum, Louise Folkening.

Councilman Thalman, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and City Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee of the Whole respectfully report the ordinance G. O. 7, 1885, with amendments, herewith submitted, as their report, and recommend its passage without further amendments or reference.

ISAAC THALMAN, Chairman.

Councilman Trusler moved that the report of the committee be concurred in, and on that motion demanded the "*previous question*."

The Chair then put the question "*Shall the main question be now put?*"

Which was admitted by a majority vote of the members present.

The Chair then put the question, and the report of the committee was concurred in, by the following vote:

**AYES, 16**—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Curry, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

**NAYS, 5**—viz. Councilmen Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, and Reinecke.

Councilman Edenharter filed a certain written protest; which, later in the session, on motion by Councilman Pearson, was ordered placed on file in the Clerk's office, and not printed in the Proceedings, by the following vote:

YES, 11—viz. Councilmen Curry, Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

AYS, 9—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Rees, and Reinecke.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

O. 7, 1885—An ordinance providing for the erection of a Market House and Public Buildings on the ground known as the East Market Square, in the City of Indianapolis.

The following amendments to the above ordinance, as presented by the foregoing report of the Committee of the Whole, were read and adopted:

Amend Section two by striking out the words "a bond to be approved by the ayor, in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars, payable to the City of Indianapolis," and by inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "A contract."

Amend Section three by striking out the word "bond," and the words "and approved," and by inserting in lieu of said word "bond," the word "contract." Also, by striking out the word "Square," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Space." Also, by adding to the end thereof the following: "Provided, further, that the main building across the west end of said Market Space, shall be built first; and during its building, the balance of the Market Space shall not be incumbered with building material, but the old Market House and Space shall be reserved for the public market until such time as the market space under the main building is ready to be used for market purposes. The Architect shall draw his plans to comply with this proviso."

Amend Section four by striking out the words from "shall," to and including the words "building committee," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "Shall by like resolution select two members of the Common Council, one Democrat and one Republican, and also one member of the Board of Aldermen, who shall be a Democrat, and such persons, with the Mayor and President of the Board of Aldermen, shall constitute a building committee."

Councilman Dowling offered the following amendment:

To amend: That all in Section IX "nine," after the word "annulled," be stricken out.

Which was laid on the table, on motion by Councilman Pearson, by the following vote:

YES, 13—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 8—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Reinecke, and Sheppard.

Councilman Thalman moved that the ordinance be ordered engrossed as amended, read the third time, and placed on its final passage, and on that motion demanded the "previous question."

The Chair then put the question, "Shall the main question be now put?"

Which was admitted by a majority vote of the members present.

The ordinance was then ordered engrossed as amended, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

**AYES, 17—viz.** Councilmen Benjamin, Curry, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

**NAYS, 4—viz.** Councilmen Coy, Dowling, Doyle, and Edenharter.

Councilman Thalman moved that the above action be reconsidered.

Which was laid on the table, on motion by Councilman Pearson, by the following vote:

**AYES, 17—viz.** Councilmen Benjamin, Curry, Doyle, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

**NAYS, 3—viz.** Councilmen Coy, Dowling, and Edenharter.

On motion by Councilman Pearson, the ordinance was sent into the Board of Aldermen for their action.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor,  
President of the Common Council.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—MARCH 9, 1885.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, March 9th, A. D. 1885, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Brainard Rorison, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and Tallentire—9.

ABSENT, 1—viz. Alderman Cobb.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session, held February 23d, 1885, having been printed and placed on the desks of the the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—The Common Council, in regular session, held in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 2d, 1885, adhered to their former action in awarding the contract to John Elliott for services as Veterinary Surgeon to the horses in the Fire Department.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Common Council:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

Alderman Prier moved to refer the above matter to the Chief Fire Engineer, with power to act.

Alderman King moved to lay the above motion on the table.

Which was adopted by a standing vote—four to three.

Alderman Prier moved to refer the matter to a Conference Committee, consisting of three Aldermen and a like number of Councilmen.

Alderman King, as a substitute for the above, offered the following motion:

That the Board of Aldermen concur in the action of the Council, and award the contract to Dr. Elliott.

Alderman Prier moved to lay the substitute on the table.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 4—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, McHugh, Prier, and Tallentire.

**NAYS**, 5—viz. Aldermen Cox, Endly, King, Pritchard, and President Rorison.

¶ Alderman King's substitute then failed of adoption, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 4—viz. Aldermen Cox, Endly, King, and Pritchard.

**NAYS**, 5—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, McHugh, Prier, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

Alderman Prier's motion was then adopted, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 5—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, McHugh, Prier, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

**NAYS**, 4—viz. Aldermen Cox, Endly, King, and Pritchard.

The Chair then appointed Aldermen Prier, King and Bernhamer to act as the Aldermanic members of such committee.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its regular session, held March 2d, 1885.

For the Common Council:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The reports from the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds (see page 114, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I submit herewith the following entitled affidavits, now on file in my office, for the collection of street improvement assessments by precepts, to wit:

David A. Haywood vs. Thomas Wren, for.....	\$16 28
David A. Haywood vs. Thomas Wren, for.....	5 88

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

And the favorable action of the Common Council on the above (see page 114, *ante*), was non-concurred in, and the precepts failed to be issued, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 3—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Endly, and McHugh.

**NAYS**, 5—viz. Aldermen Cox, King, Prier, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

The acceptance by the Indianapolis Gas-Light and Coke Company, of the terms and conditions of S. O. No. 3, 1885 (see page 117, *ante*), was read and received.



The reports of the City Attorney, Rental Agent, Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, (see pages 117, 118 and 119, *ante*), were read and received.

The following petition from the Board of Public Improvements was read (see page 119, *ante*), and the action of the Common Council approved, with the proviso that the time be extended until May 1st, 1885, instead of June 1st, 1885:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—We would most respectfully petition your honorable bodies for an extension of time to complete our contract for grading and graveling Munson street and sidewalks, until June 1st, 1885, it being impossible for us to do any part of the work this winter.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHTER & TWINAME, Contractors.

Recommend the time be extended.

M. M. Reynolds,

R. H. Rees,

Board of Public Improvements.

The following motion (see page 124, *ante*), was read, and *not* concurred in:

That the offer of one hundred dollars, made by certain parties through the Mayor at this meeting of the Common Council, for any interest the city may have in the ground known as the "Park"—being Lot number 28, in T. R. Fletcher's subdivision of Out-lot 51—be, and the same is hereby, accepted; and the Mayor is hereby directed to execute a quit-claim deed to any person named by the interested parties, on payment of said sum into the city treasury.

The following motion (see page 124, *ante*), was read:

That the Mayor be, and is hereby, authorized to tender to the Oliver Chilled Plow Works for a location for their manufactory, forty acres of Garfield Park, free of charge, for ten years, with the privilege of purchasing the same at a valuation to be placed upon it by a committee composed of equal numbers of citizens, members of the Council, and members of said company.

And failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 1—viz. Alderman McHugh.

NAYS, 8—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tal-lentire, and President Rorison.

The following motions were read (see page 125, *ante*), and concurrently adopted:

That the Board of Public Improvements be instructed to put from twenty to thirty loads of gravel on the driveways and walks in Military Park, immediately.

That Wm. Schomeyer be allowed to pave his sidewalk with brick, on Indiana avenue, at his own expense, and the City Civil Engineer to set stakes for the same, and under his supervision.

The following motion was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon (see page 126, *ante*), was concurred in:

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to advertise for proposals for the building of a fire cistern near the German Orphan Asylum, the exact location to be determined by the Chief Fire Engineer; capacity not to exceed 1,000 barrels.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the rules.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 10, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$861.98.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

**AYES**, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 11, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,485.69.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

**AYES**, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 12, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$23,208.97.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

**AYES**, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 13, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$266.91.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 14, 1885—An ordinance appropriating the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars, (\$14,000 00), for the payment of the salaries of the Commissioners, Officers and members of the Metropolitan Police of the City of Indianapolis.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 15, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the salaries and compensation of the Members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, of the City Officers, and Officers and Members of the Fire Department of the City of Indianapolis.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance (passed by the Common Council March 9th, 1885), was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 16, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of a certain claim against the City of Indianapolis, on account of printing for the Fire Department.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

NAYS—None.

#### REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, through Alderman Tallentire, submitted the following reports; which were severally concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Contracts and Bridges, to whom was referred the report of the Council Committee on Contracts, recommending that the contract be awarded to the Indianapolis Fertilizer Company, for removing dead animals

from the city to the Sellers Farm, they agreeing to pay fifty dollars for such privilege, recommend that the action of the Council in approving such report, be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Tallentire,  
Thomas E. Endly,  
James McHugh,

Committee on Contracts and Bridges.

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Contracts and Bridges, to whom was referred the report of the Council Judiciary Committee, recommending that fifty dollars be accepted from Luther Mehring as payment in full for all demands of the city against said Mehring, recommend that the action of the Council, in approving such report, be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Tallentire,  
Thomas E. Endly,  
James McHugh,

Committee on Contracts and Bridges.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts & Claims, through Alderman Endly, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Finance, who were instructed to prepare a statement showing receipts and disbursements of the General Fund, from June 1st, 1881, to January 1st, 1885, have attended to that duty, and herewith submit the following statement of receipts and disbursements, prepared by the City Treasurer and Clerk:

RECEIPTS.

Balance in General Fund June 1st, 1881.....	\$311,366 03
From June 1st, 1881, to June 1st, 1882.....	479,132 34
From June 1st, 1882, to June 1st, 1883.....	511,215 35
From June 1st to December 31st, 1883—7 months....	63,996 03
For the year 1884.....	517,628 83
	<u>\$1,883,338 58</u>

DISBURSEMENTS BY TREASURER.

From June 1st, 1881, to June 1st, 1882.....	\$508,415 36
From June 1st, 1882, to June 1st, 1883.....	515,240 06
From June 1st, 1883, to January 1st, 1884.....	345,143 94
For the year 1884.....	551,973 47

Total disbursements.....	\$1,920,772 83
Total receipts.....	1,883,338 58

Excess of disbursements.....	<u>\$ 37,434 25</u>
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Included in the above expenditures is the sum of \$49,661.40, on account of the construction of the new City Hospital building, which is a permanent improvement, and was a necessity.

The following are among the principal items of the above expenditures:

Bridges.....	\$ 20,814 43
City Hospital and Hospital building.....	99,408 08
Fire Department and fire cisterns.....	274,005 12
Gas.....	230,654 59
Interest on bonds.....	462,811 00
Police and Station House.....	196,693 02
Sewers.....	51,136 69
Street improvements—city portion.....	72,122 65
Street Repair Department.....	138,658 72
Water rent.....	107,982 85

\$1,654,287 15

Leaving only \$266,485 68 for paying the large number of items of expenses not enumerated.

Tax levy for 1880, collected in 1881.....	85 cents.
Tax levy for 1881, collected in 1882.....	85 cents.
Tax levy for 1882, collected in 1883.....	87 cents.
Tax levy for 1883, collected in 1884.....	87 cents.

In November, 1884, the city borrowed \$98,000.00, in anticipation of the levy of 1884.

As a matter of further information, we will also state that for the last two years the city has levied three cents on the one hundred dollars, for Sinking Fund. The receipts therefrom are not included in the foregoing statement of receipts. The amount received from this source on hand January 1st, 1885, is \$30,845.91.

Also, balance on hand from liquor licenses, &c., not included in the foregoing statement of receipts, set apart under ordinance as additional City Hall Fund, January 1st, 1885, \$45,749.94.

The receipts from the last named source are covered into said City Hall Fund in August of each year, so that said statement only includes receipts to said fund to August, 1884.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Endly,  
Wm. A. Cox,  
Isaac King,  
Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Public Light and Education, through Alderman Prier, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee to whom was referred the matter "That a fire-alarm box be placed on the west side or center of Circle street," recommend that this body recede from its former action, and concur in the action of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. Prier,  
Jas. A. Pritchard,  
Isaac King,

Committee on Public Light and Education.

On motion by Alderman Cox, G. O. 52, 1884, was called from the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities (referred September 8th, 1884.)

The following entitled ordinance was then read the second time, and read the third time:

G. O. 52, 1884—An ordinance requiring the C, I., St. L. & C. Railway Company to station a Flagman at the crossing of its tracks with Maryland street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Cox, Endly, King, McHugh, Prier, Pritchard, and President Rorison.

NAYS, 2—viz. Aldermen Bernhamer, and Tallentire.

On motion by Alderman King, the Board of Alderman adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

The President called the Board to order, and on call of the roll a quorum was found to be present.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—I submit herewith the following papers and ordinance for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its session held this evening, March 9th, 1885.

For the Common Council:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The report from the Committee on Contracts, accompanied with bond (see pages 130 and 131, *ante*), as to awarding a contract for building an Engine House on Prospect street, was read, and the action of the Common Council was concurred in.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time :

G. O. 7, 1885—An ordinance providing for the erection of a Market House and Public Buildings on the grounds known as the East Market Square, in the City of Indianapolis.

On motion by Alderman Pritchard, the rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 7—viz. Aldermen Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

**NAYS**—None.

The ordinance was then read the second time, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

**AYES**, 7—viz. Aldermen Cox, Endly, King, Prier, Pritchard, Tallentire, and President Rorison.

**NAYS**—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

BRAINARD RORISON, President.

Attest: FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.