

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28TH, 1865, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—His Honor, Mayor Caven, in the chair, and the following members at first roll-call:

Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Emerson, Fletcher, Grosvenor, Kappes and Loomis.—8.

Absent—Councilmen Coburn, Colley, Glazier, Jameson, Lefever, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—10.

There being no quorum, the Council took a recess of fifteen minutes; when, a quorum being present, the Council proceeded to business.

The proceedings of the regular session held June 26th, 1865, were read and approved.

His Honor, the Mayor, announced that the first business in order was the consideration of the pending ordinances for street improvements.

Whereupon, Councilmen Seidensticker, asked to make a report from the Board of Public Improvements, on that subject.

Which was granted by unanimous consent.

Mr. Seidensticker then submitted the following report, to-wit:

OFFICE BOARD PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, June 28, 1865. }

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The undersigned respectfully report that they have examined the ordinances for Public Improvements on file and to be taken up this evening as special order, and they would recommend that only a part of them be passed, for the reason that it would be impossible to have all said improvements done, or even contracted for, within this year, and at reasonable prices. In selecting said ordinances recommended to be passed, we have considered the general utility and necessity of the work, and we have attempted to distribute said improvements equally among all the wards of the city.

We herewith give a list of the ordinances, together with our recommendations in each case, and when a postponement is recommended, we would name the first meeting in February, 1866, as the proper date for such postponement.

H. COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } *Board.*
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, }

LIST OF ORDINANCES AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

No. 1. To grade and gravel Madison Avenue, between railroad and donation line; recommended to be postponed.

No. 2. To grade and gravel alley running east and west through out-lots 140, 141, 142; recommended to be postponed.

No. 3. To pave Illinois street between Washington and Market; recommended to be postponed.

No. 4. To grade and gravel alley south of McCarty street, between Railroad and Union street; recommended to be rejected.

No. 5. To boulder alley running north and south, square 66; recommended to be rejected.

No. 6. To pave and curb Market street, between Pennsylvania and Circle, and Circle and Market; recommended to be rejected.

No. 7. To grade and gravel between West and Missouri streets, through square 71; recommended to be postponed.

No. 8. To bowlder Pearl street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets; recommended to be rejected.

No. 9. To grade and gravel alley running north and south through squares 140 and 141; recommended to be postponed.

No. 10. To grade and gravel New York street, between Blake and Blackford streets; recommended to be passed.

No. 11. To bowlder Circle street, &c.; recommended to be rejected.

No. 12. To pave Pennsylvania street, between Ohio and Market; recommended to be rejected.

No. 13. To curb and bowlder Massachusetts Avenue, between Pennsylvania and New Jersey streets; recommended to be rejected.

No. 14. To pave Pennsylvania street to St. Clair; recommended to be rejected.

No. 15. To grade and gravel St. Clair street, between Chatham and Pennsylvania Avenue; recommended to be passed.

No. 16. To bowlder Pearl street, &c.; recommended to be rejected.

No. 17. For lighting Pennsylvania street; recommended to be rejected.

No. 18. To grade and gravel Tennessee street, between Maryland and Georgia; recommended to be rejected.

No. 19. To grade and gravel New York street, between Blackford and Bright; recommended to be rejected.

No. 20. To grade and gravel alley south of McCarty, between Railroad and Union streets; recommended to be postponed.

No. 21. To grade and gravel Railroad Avenue, between Madison Avenue and donation; recommended to be rejected.

No. 22. To grade and gravel alley running north and south, square 3; recommended to be postponed.

No. 23. To grade and gravel Blake street, between National Road and New York; recommended to be postponed.

No. 24. To grade and gravel Ohio street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania; recommended to be rejected.

No. 25. To bowlder gutter from West street to canal; recommended to be rejected.

No. 26. To curb sidewalk on Delaware street, between Washington street and Central Railroad track; recommended to be rejected.

No. 27. To bowlder alley through square 45; recommended to be rejected.

No. 28. To grade and gravel Walnut street, between Alabama and Liberty; recommended to be postponed.

No. 29. To grade and gravel National Road, between West street and White river; recommended to be rejected.

No. 30. To grade and gravel Spring street, between Vermont and Massachusetts Avenue; recommended to be postponed.

No. 31. To grade New York street, between Tennessee and Illinois; recommended to be passed.

No. 32. To grade and gravel Henry street, between Mississippi and canal; recommended to be postponed.

No. 33. To grade and gravel Michigan street, between Illinois and Meridian; recommended to be postponed.

No. 34. To grade and gravel Blake street, between National Road and New York; recommended to be rejected.

No. 35. To grade and gravel Tennessee, between McCarty and Garden streets; recommended to be passed.

No. 36. To grade and gravel McCarty street, between Illinois and canal; recommended to be postponed.

No. 37. To gravel St. Clair street, between Meridian and Liberty; recommended to be amended and passed.

No. 38. To gravel Michigan street, between Delaware and East; recommended to be passed.

No. 39. To grade and gravel North street between Delaware and Illinois; recommended to be rejected.

No. 40. To grade and gravel Union street, between Merrill and McCarty; recommended to be passed.

No. 41. To grade and gravel Madison Avenue, same as No. 1; recommended to be rejected.

No. 42. To pave Meridian street, between Washington and Union Railroad; recommended to be postponed.

No. 43. To pave Illinois street, between Washington and Louisiana; recommended to be passed.

No. 44. To grade and gravel Maryland, between Pennsylvania and Alabama streets; recommended to be passed.

No. 45. To grade and gravel Meridian street, between East and Pennsylvania; recommended to be postponed.

No. 46. To light East street, &c.; recommended to be rejected.

No. 47. To grade and gravel Wabash street, between Noble and East; recommended to be passed.

No. 48. To grade and gravel East street, between St. Clair and Cherry; recommended to be passed.

No. 49. To grade and gravel Illinois street, between Ray and McCarty; recommended to be passed.

No. 50. To grade and gravel Mississippi street, between North and corporation line; recommended to be passed.

No. 51. To grade and gravel Noble street, between South street and Virginia Avenue; recommended to be passed.

No. 52. To grade and gravel McCarty street, between East street and Virginia Avenue; recommended to be amended and passed.

Which, on motion, was received, and the following entitled ordinances taken up and acted upon in accordance with the recommendations of the Board of Public Improvements, to-wit:

No. 1, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Madison Avenue and sidewalks, between Madison and Indianapolis Railroad and Donation line, (inclusive of the sidewalks,)

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 2, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the alley running east and west through out-lots 140, 141 and 142,

Was taken up, and on motion, was rejected.

No. 3, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and paving of the east sidewalk of Illinois street, between Washington street and the first alley north of Washington street,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—12. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 4, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading of an alley running south from McCarty street to Ray street, between Railroad and Union streets.

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 5, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and bouldering of an alley running north and south through Square 66, between Pearl and Maryland streets, immediately west of Meridian street,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 6, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading, paving and curbing, with stone, the sidewalk on the south side of Market street, between Pennsylvania

and Circle streets, and Circle street, between Market and Meridian streets on south side of Circle,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 7, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the alley running east and west through Square 71,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was postponed until the 1st of February, 1866.

No. 8, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and bouldering of an alley running east and west, between Meridian street and Pennsylvania street, in Square No. 65,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 9, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and bouldering the alley running north and south, between out-lots 140 and 141, between Washington street and first alley south,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was postponed until the 1st of February 1866.

No. 10, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of New York street and sidewalks, between Plackford and Blake streets,

Was taken up, and, by unanimous consent, amended by striking out all that part that relates to the improvement of the *sidewalks* along the line of said street.

The ordinance was then read as amended, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 11, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and paving with boulder stones Circle street, and curbing the outer edge of the sidewalks with stone, and paving the sidewalks with brick,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 12, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading, paving and curbing the east sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, between the north side of Market street to the south side of Ohio street,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 13, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and paving with boulder stones, and curbing the outer edge of the sidewalks with Flat Rock or Putnam county stone, of Massachusetts Avenue, between Pennsylvania and New Jersey streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 14, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and paving of the sidewalk on the east side of Pennsylvania street, between Michigan and St. Clair streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 15, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of St. Clair street and sidewalks, between Chatham street and Massachusetts Avenue,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 16, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the alley running east and west through Square 68,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 17, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the furnishing and erecting lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures on the east side of Pennsylvania street, between Market and Ohio streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 18, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Tennessee street and sidewalks, between Maryland and south side of Georgia Streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 19, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading of New York street and sidewalks, between Blackford and the first alley west of Bright street,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 20, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling the first alley south of McCarty street, running east and west between Madison Avenue and Union street,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 21, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Railroad Avenue, between Madison Avenue and the Corporation line south,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 22, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the alley running north end south through square 3,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 23, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Blake street and sidewalks, between New York street and the National Road,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 24, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Ohio street, (exclusive of sidewalks,) between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 25, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and bouldering of the gutter on the north side of Washington street, between West street and the Canal,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 26, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for curbing the outer edge of the sidewalk on the east side of Delaware street, between Washington street and the Central Railroad track,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 27, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE for the grading and bouldering of the alley running east and west through square 15,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 28, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Walnut street and sidewalks, between Alabama and Liberty streets.

Was taken up, and on motion, was postponed until the 1st of February, 1866.

No. 29, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the National Road and sidewalks, between the first alley west of West street and the White River Bridge,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 30, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Spring street and sidewalks, between Vermont street and Massachusetts Avenue.

Was taken up, and, on motion, was postponed until the 1st of February, 1866,

No. 31, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of New York street and sidewalks, between Illinois street and Tennessee street.

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 32, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Michigan street and sidewalks, between Meridian and Illinois streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was laid upon the table.

No. 33, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Henry street and sidewalks, between Mississippi street and the Canal,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was postponed.

No. 34, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Blake street and sidewalks, between New York street and the National Road,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 35, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Tennessee street and sidewalks, between Garden and McCarty streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Emerson, Coburn, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 36, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of McCarty street and sidewalks, between Illinois street and the Canal,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was postponed.

No. 37, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of St. Clair street and sidewalks, between Meridian and East streets, exclusive of the portion already done,

Which was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 38, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Michigan street and sidewalks, between Delaware and East streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 39, an ordinance entitled.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of North street and sidewalks, between Delaware and Illinois streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 40, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Union street and sidewalks, between Merrill and McCarty streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 41, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Maryland street and sidewalks, between Delaware and Alabama streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 42, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Madison Avenue and sidewalks, between the Madison Railroad track and the Corporation line, south,

Was taken up, and on motion, rejected.

No. 43, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalk on the east side of Meridian street, between Washington street and Union Railroad track,

Was taken up, and on motion, was postponed.

No. 44, an ordinance entitled.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalk on the east side of Illinois street, between Washington and Louisiana street,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 45, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Merrill street and sidewalks, between East and Pennsylvania streets,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was laid on the table.

No. 46, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the furnishing and erecting of lamp posts, lamps and fixtures on East street, between the first alley north of New York street, on the west side of East street, and Massachusetts Avenue,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

No. 47, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Wabash street and sidewalks, between Noble and East streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 48, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of East street and sidewalks, between St. Clair and Cherry streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 49, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Illinois street and sidewalks, between McCarty and Ray streets,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 50, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Mississippi street and sidewalks, between North street and the Corporation line, north,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 51, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Noble street and sidewalks, between South street and Virginia Avenue,

Was taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

No. 52, an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of McCarty street and sidewalks, between East street and Virginia Avenue,

Was taken up, and, on motion, was rejected.

By Mr. Kappes :

Resolved, That the City Marshal be instructed to purchase a good time piece for the Council Chamber; and that it shall be the duty of said Marshal to keep said clock in running order, and regulate the time by the Union Depot clock.

Which, on motion, was laid over.

By H. A. Fletcher—Motion :

That the City Street Commissioner, under the instruction of the Civil Engineer, be hereby instructed to raise the bouldering of the gutter at the crossing of Ohio street and Indiana Avenue, on Illinois street, the gutter being so low as to cause a pool of stagnant water to remain there.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

By Mr. Glazier :

Resolved, That the Engineer be instructed to re-advertise for proposals for the grading and graveling of Duncan street, between Alabama and New Jersey streets; and also for the grading and graveling of Walnut street, between Tennessee and Pennsylvania streets, and that said bids be received July 17, 1865.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Loomis :

Resolved, That the City Marshal be, and is hereby directed to enforce all ordinances pertaining to the cleaning of alleys and gutters in the City of Indianapolis, and that the same be done forthwith.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Coburn, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt and Thompson—11.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Brown, Emerson and Seidensticker—3.

So the resolution passed.

By Dr. W. Clinton Thompson :

Resolved, That the Committee on Gas be authorized to employ a suitable person to prepare a statement in relation to gas, &c., in this city, as directed by resolution at last meeting of Council.

Which, on motion, was referred back to the Committee on Gas.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

Present at roll call on adjournment: Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14.

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor*.

ATTEST:

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk*.