

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

ADJOURNED SESSION—MARCH 22, 1886.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 22d, A. D. 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

**PRESENT**—Hon. Caleb S. Denny, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 24 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smith, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

**ABSENT**, 1—viz: Councilman Mack.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the special session, held March 8th, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

Councilman Rooker, from the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the Telephome matter, reported progress; and on motion, the Committee was granted further time until the next meeting of the Council, to make report.

Councilman Dunn, in behalf of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen*.—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition and plat of Wilhelmina and Caroline W. Meyer, being a plat of a parcel of ground on Wisconsin street, would report that your Committee, together with the City Civil Engineer, have examined the same, and recommend its approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,  
John H. Herig,  
Julius F. Reinecke,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Council Pearson, in behalf of the City Hall Building Committee, submitted the following Agreement, with majority and minority reports:

**THIS AGREEMENT**, Made and entered into this ..... day of March, 1886, by and between the City of Indianapolis and the Metropolitan Militia Reserve of the said City of Indianapolis;

*Witnesseth*, That the city, for and in consideration of the benefits arising from the association of said company with, and as a part of the police force of the said City of Indianapolis, does hereby grant to the said Metropolitan Militia Reserve the use of the City Hall and the room under the stage therein, for armory purposes,

and for such purposes only, during such time as the said company shall remain part and parcel of the police force of the said city: *Provided, however*, that if the occupation of the said Hall by said Militia Reserve, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, shall at any time interfere with the use of the same by the city, the said company shall, on thirty days' notice, be required to vacate the said Hall; *and provided, further*, that the said company shall pay all the expenses of such occupancy, and of building whatever closets shall be required by them for their occupancy of said Hall, which said closets shall be movable.

And the said Metropolitan Militia Reserve agree to use the Hall for armory purposes, and for those purposes only, and to pay all expenses that may arise from their occupancy of such Hall, and to give up and to return to the said city such of the City Hall premises as shall be occupied by them upon demand by the said city, and upon notice by the said city that it desires such parts of said Hall; *provided, only*, that reasonable notice of the desire of the city that the said company shall vacate said premises shall be given to the company. And the said company further agrees to use said property well, and to make good any loss occasioned by their ill use or abuse of the premises occupied by them; and if the said city shall desire to use the said Hall upon any evening when the same would be regularly occupied by the said company, the said company agrees to surrender the use of the same to the city, on demand of the Mayor and City Clerk.

If said Metropolitan Militia Reserve should, at any time, desire to use said Hall for any other purpose than that hereinbefore specified, then, in that event, said Metropolitan Militia Reserve shall pay to said City of Indianapolis such sum for such use as may be fixed by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city.

Attest: H. M. NIXON, Sec'y.

JAS. R. ROSS, Pres't.

To the Council and Board of Aldermen:

We recommend the approval of the foregoing contract.

C. S. Denny, Mayor,  
John P. Pearson,  
Thomas E. Endly,  
Majority of Building Committee.

We do not concur in the above recommendation.

Isaac King,  
J. H. Howes,  
Minority of Committee.

Councilman Markey presented the following communication; which was received:

At a regular meeting of Alpha Assembly No. 1712, K. of L., held on Tuesday evening, March 16th, 1886, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The building known as the City Hall was erected by and for the use of all citizens of Indianapolis; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we protest against the granting to any organization of any special privileges or use of said building.

*Resolved*, That we look upon with disfavor and condemn any action looking to the conversion of said building into an armory or storage depot for the arms and munitions of any military organization.

James E. Twiname, Henry F. Albershardt, Wm. Johnson.

The question being on the concurrence in the minority report, the yeas and nays were demanded, and it failed, by the following vote:

AYES, 11—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Edenharter, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reinecke, and Stuckmeyer.

NAYS, 13—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Pearson, Reynolds, Rooker, Smith, Smither, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

On motion by Councilman Pearson, the majority report was concurred in, by the following vote:

AYES, 13—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Pearson, Reynolds, Rooker, Smith, Smither, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS, 11—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Edenharter, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reinecke, and Stuckmeyer.

Councilman Markey offered the following amendment to the Agreement; which was referred to the City Hall Building Committee:

I move to amend the resolution by adding the following:

"And the Rice Zouaves be and they are hereby allowed the use and occupancy of the City Hall for one night in each week, upon the same conditions and terms as the same is granted to the said Metropolitan Police Reserve, except that whatever expense is occasioned by such use for one night in each week, shall only be required to be borne by said Rice Guards, and the Committee on Public Buildings shall designate the night which shall be allotted to said Rice Guards."

#### PENDING ORDINANCES.

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

G. O. 6, 1886—An ordinance granting John B. Doris the right to exhibit his Great Inter-Ocean Show in Indianapolis two days in April, without license.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smith, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, and Waterman.

NAYS, 5—viz: Councilmen Herig, McClelland, Pearson, Reinecke, and Thalman

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

G. O. 5, 1886—An ordinance providing for the compensation of the officers and members of the Fire Department of the City of Indianapolis, from January 1st, 1886, to December 31st, 1886.

Councilman Thalman moved to postpone further consideration of the ordinance until July 1st, 1886.

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

AYES, 14—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, Reinecke, Rooker, Stuckmeyer, and Swain.

NAYS, 9—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Edenharter, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, and Waterman.

The ordinance was then ordered engrossed, by the following vote:



AYES, 17—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, Reinecke, Rooker, Smith, Smither, Stuckmeyer, and Swain.

NAYS, 7—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Thalman, and Waterman.

The ordinance was then read the third time.

Councilman McClelland moved to postpone further consideration until January 1st, 1887.

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

AYES, 16—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, Reinecke, Rooker, Smith, Stuckmeyer, and Swain.

NAYS, 8—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, and Waterman.

On motion by Councilman Coy, the main question was admitted, by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz: Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Herig, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, and Waterman.

NAYS, 9—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Edenharter, Haugh, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Smith, Swain, and Thalman.

The question being on the passage of the ordinance, those who voted in the affirmative were;

Councilmen Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McGroarty, Rooker, and Smith—12.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Councilmen Benjamin, Dell, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman—12.

There being a tie vote, the name of His Honor, the Mayor, was called, who voted in the negative. So the ordinance failed to pass.

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

G. O. 46, 1885—An ordinance requiring the I., B. & W., and C., C., C. & I. Railroad Companies to maintain a Flagman at the crossing of Newman street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 118, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of McCarty street, from Greer street to Beatty street.

And it was passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 126, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Second street, from Illinois street to Superior street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Rooker presented the following petition; which was received:

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

We, the undersigned, tax payers and property owners on and residing on Seventh street, between Meridian street and the Lafayette Railroad tracks, and we, the undersigned, citizens and tax payers residing in the neighborhood of Seventh street, respectfully urge the passage and enforcement of the Special Ordinance No. 36, for the making of brick sidewalks, where not already made, on Seventh street, between Meridian street and the Lafayette Railway tracks.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Gable, B. K. Elliott, A. Weigand, J. L. Fletcher,  
Geo. K. Trask, G. R. Root, Charles E. Coffin, J. H.  
Stewart, D. M. Bradbury—and 23 others.

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

S. O. 36, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Seventh street, from Mississippi street to the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. tracks.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

## MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held this evening, March 22, 1886, amended "S. O. 27, 1886, An ordinance to provide for grading, curbing with stone and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of East street, from Morris street to Lincoln Lane," by striking out so much thereof as provides for curbing.

The ordinance, as amended, was then passed.

I submit the foregoing for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.

And the amendment was concurred in, by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held this evening, March 22, 1886, amended "S. O. 35, 1886, An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Meridian street, from Seventh street to Twelfth street," by providing for the widening of the sidewalks to the width of fifteen (15) feet.

The ordinance, as amended, was then passed.

I submit the foregoing for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.

And the amendment was concurred in, by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held this evening, March 22, 1886, amended "G. O. 39, 1885, An ordinance authorizing the C., C., C. & I. Railway Co. to lay a switch track across Biddle street," by including "North street," so as to authorize the laying of a switch track across "Biddle and North" streets.

The ordinance, as amended, was then passed.

I submit the foregoing for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen.

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.

And the amendment was concurred in, by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.



## INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following entitled ordinances were introduced, and severally read the first time:

By Councilman Markey:

- S. O. 51, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Madison avenue, between Nebraska street and the J. M. & I. R. R. tracks.
- S. O. 52, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of Merrill street, from Alabama street to Delaware street, where not already curbed.

By Councilman McClelland:

- S. O. 53, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Christian avenue, from the west line of Ash street to Bellefontaine avenue, where not already curbed.
- S. O. 54, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the east east sidewalk of Dorman street, from Michigan street to St. Clair street.

By Councilman Newland, accompanied with petition:

- S. O. 55, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick sidewalks of Olive street, from Prospect street to Orange street.

Indianapolis, March 8th, 1886.

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

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Olive street, between Prospect and Orange streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Olive street, from Prospect street to Orange street.

John Newman, E. J. Orlopp, S. L. Ryan, Jas. Dwyer.

By Councilman Reynolds:

- S. O. 56, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Brookside avenue, from Omer street to the first alley east of Omer street.
- S. O. 57, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Peru street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

By Councilman Swain:

- S. O. 58, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of College avenue, from Ninth street to the first alley north of Ninth street.

Councilman Swain was excused for the remainder of this session.

By Councilman Smither:

- S. O. 59, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Paca street, from Pratt street to First street.

By Councilman Thalman:

G. O. 9, 1886—An ordinance granting D. C. Boley and his associates, under the name and style of "The Cushman Telephone Service Line Company," the privilege of using the Streets and Alleys of the City of Indianapolis in constructing, operating, and maintaining lines of Telephones in said City of Indianapolis.

Councilman Thalman moved to suspend the Rules for the purpose of placing the foregoing ordinance on its final passage.

Councilman Haugh moved to lay the motion on the table.

Which motion to lay on the table failed of adoption by the following vote:

AYES, 3—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Dell, and Haugh.

NAYS, 15—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Dunn, Edenharter, Herig, Howes, McClelland, McGroarty, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, and Waterman.

The motion to suspend the Rules then failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 16—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS, 3—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Haugh, and Herig.

G. O. 9, 1886, was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney.

#### INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Cummings offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Finance Committee be requested to inform this body the amount of the money that was lost by the late City Treasurer, and to what funds the said amounts came out—Sewer fund, City Hall fund, Sinking fund or General fund—and how much from each.

Councilman Cummings offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That the lamp-post just east of Ellsworth street, on New York street, be moved west far enough so it will stand on the corner of New York and Ellsworth streets, so as to light both of said streets. As it now stands, it does no good whatever to Ellsworth street.

Councilman Dunn offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That a permit be granted to lay a bowldered walk, for a horse, three feet wide across the sidewalk at 257 north West street, for W. H. Miner; work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.



Councilman Newland presented the following petition; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, Committee on Streets and Alleys and City Civil Engineer, with power to act:

Indianapolis, March 16th, 1886.

To the Honorable City Council and Board of Aldermen :

We, the undersigned, beg leave to ask permission of your honorable body to build a dam across Pleasant Run to protect our stone wall, which we will build by the direction and stakes of the City Civil Engineer.

Very respectfully,

Henry Russe, President, Henry Rosebrock, Secretary, of the German Orphan Home; William Teckenbrock, Henry F. Habeneay, Chas. Wehking, Committee on improving building and grounds.

Councilman Pearson offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Citizens' Street Railway Company be granted an extension of thirty days time in which to begin work on north Mississippi street.

Councilman Pearson moved to reconsider the vote by which the Council refused to concur in the action of the Board of Aldermen in appropriating the late City Treasurer's office for the Aldermanic Chamber.

Which, on motion by Councilman Haugh, was laid on the table.

Councilman Reinecke presented the following remonstrance; which, together with S. O. 33, 1886, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

Indianapolis, March 6th, 1886.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the first alley south of Coburn street, between East and McKernan streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling the first alley south of Coburn street, between East and McKernan streets.

Henrietta Wurgler, 40 feet; Thomas Ryan, 40 feet; Conrad Fehr, 40 feet; Ernst E. Wichenhoefer, 40 feet; R. Egger, 40 feet; Maria Farrell, 40 feet; Patrick Doyle, 40 feet; Henry R. Fischer, 40 feet; Fred Dreager, 30 feet; Conrad Snider, 80 feet; Carl H. Luebking, 40 feet; Fred. Durdell, 20 feet 1 inch; Henry Miller, 35 feet; Charles Denker, 24 feet 1 inch; Mrs. Cortch, 40 feet; Fred. Nimz, 40 feet; Kate Klanke, 40 feet; Isaac D. Lemmon, 40 feet; Kate Raftery, 40 feet; Carolina Schrotz, 40 feet; Fred. Spielhoff, 90 feet; Karl Kerkhoff, 60 feet; Mrs. Jane Page, 30 feet; Wenzel Kautsky, 60 feet; Geo. Meyer, 30 feet; Carl Wagener, 40 feet; Margaret Toomey, 40 feet. This includes every property owner on said alley except two.

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

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

*Gentlemen:*—Wm. Wallace, Receiver of Fletcher & Sharpe, respectfully sheweth that Hann and Dawson purchased Lot No. 102 of A. E. and I. Fletcher's Oak Hill suburb addition to the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, and State of Indiana,

and thereupon made a subdivision of said Lot No. 102 into thirteen lots, and recorded the same as Hann & Dawson's subdivision of Lot No. 102, A. E. and I. Fletcher's Oak Hill suburb to the City of Indianapolis, in Plat Book 7, page 109, in the office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

Said Receiver further says that ..... Stumph purchased Lot No. 101 of said A. E. & I. Fletcher's Oak Hill suburb addition to the City of Indianapolis, and thereupon made a subdivision of said Lot No. 101, into sixteen lots, and recorded the same as Stumph's subdivision of Lot No. 101, in A. E. & I. Fletcher's Oak Hill suburb addition to the City of Indianapolis in Plat Book No. 7, page 105, in the office of the Recorder of Marion County.

Your petitioner shows that none of said lots have been sold, but that all now belong to his trust as receiver of Fletcher & Sharpe; that it will be greatly to the advantage of his said trust that the plats of said subdivisions shall be vacated, with streets and alleys in said subdivision, and that such vacation will not in any way prejudice either the public or individual rights. Said Receiver, therefore, prays that said plats of said subdivisions and said subdivisions may be vacated.

James H. Baldwin and John H. Vajen, citizen freeholders owning property in the vicinity of said subdivisions, join with said Receiver in this petition.

Wm. Wallace, Receiver of Fletcher & Sharpe; John H. Vajen, Edmund Deitz, J. H. Baldwin.

Councilman Reynolds offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That C. J. W. Shearer be, and is hereby, granted permission to bowlder a driveway across the sidewalk in front of his property on Omer street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Reynolds presented the following petition; which was ordered filed with the ordinance—S. O. 57, 1886:

*Indianapolis, Ind., March 15, 1886.*

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

*Gentlemen:*—We, your petitioners, property holders on the west side of Peru street, between Seventh and Eighth streets, in said city, respectfully ask you to pass an ordinance to pave with brick, to the width of six feet, the sidewalk on the west side of Peru street, from Seventh to Eighth streets.

Arthur G. Fosdyke, 143 feet; M. K. Elliott, 40 feet; O. C. Rife, 42 feet; Mrs. E. J. Moffatt, 40 feet.

Councilman Rooker presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Mayor:

*Indianapolis, Ind., March 22, 1886.*

To the Members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

*Gentlemen:*—Referring to our communications dated September 26th, 1885, and March 4th, 1886, addressed to your honorable bodies, pertaining to certain property owned by your petitioners, and also to the sidewalk ordered to be laid along the front of our said property, after consultation with the City Attorney upon the subject, he now recommends a compromise, namely: that the city pay the expenses of paving the sidewalk through our ground, and that we quit-claim to the city a strip of ground 126 54-100 feet front on Seventh street, and 16½ feet deep, it being all that portion of 126 54 100 feet off the west end of the north half of Block 14, of St. Clair's addition to the city, situated north of the platted south line of said Seventh street. Therefore we respectfully state that if the Board of Aldermen will amend the ordinance passed by the Council on the first inst., to provide that the city shall pay said expenses, that we will execute a quit-claim deed to the city for said 126 54-100 feet front by 16½ feet deep, upon the passage of the amendment by the Council.

Very truly,

J. I. Ferguson, C. A. Ferguson, Geo. I. Ferguson, by C. A. Ferguson, Guardian; H. T. Reed, Sallie E. Reed.

WHEREAS, The north property line on Seventh street, between Illinois street and Meridian street, in St. Clair's addition to the city is unsettled, and can not be definitely fixed by the City Civil Engineer; and

Whereas, The fence line of property on Seventh street, in said addition, is believed to be from 15 to 17½ feet south of the north line of said St. Clair's addition; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That, if the property owners on the south side of Seventh street, in St. Clair's addition, between Illinois street and Meridian street, will quit-claim to the city the ground lying north of the south line of Seventh street, as established in Drake's addition to the city, on the west of St. Clair's addition, the city will, in consideration thereof, lay brick sidewalks in front of property in said St. Clair's addition, beginning at a point 109 feet east of the east side of Illinois street, thence east to the west line of Meridian street.

Councilman Haugh offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the Janitor be, and is hereby, instructed to have the clock in this Council Chamber repaired and put in good running order.

That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, instructed to investigate and report to this Council, at its next meeting, if we can sub-let the vacant rooms in this basement.

Councilman Smither offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the Board of Health be instructed to stop the dumping of ashes and garbage at the foot of Third street, immediately.

That the City Clerk be ordered to look up a resolution for opening and improving Darnell street, which work was recommended to be done in the spring, and the committee be ordered to report at the next regular meeting.

Councilman McClelland offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Building Committee of the new City Hall and the supervising Architect be required to report to this Council whether or not the first floor of the new City Hall can be so arranged as to accommodate the city officers of this city.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion; which was adopted:

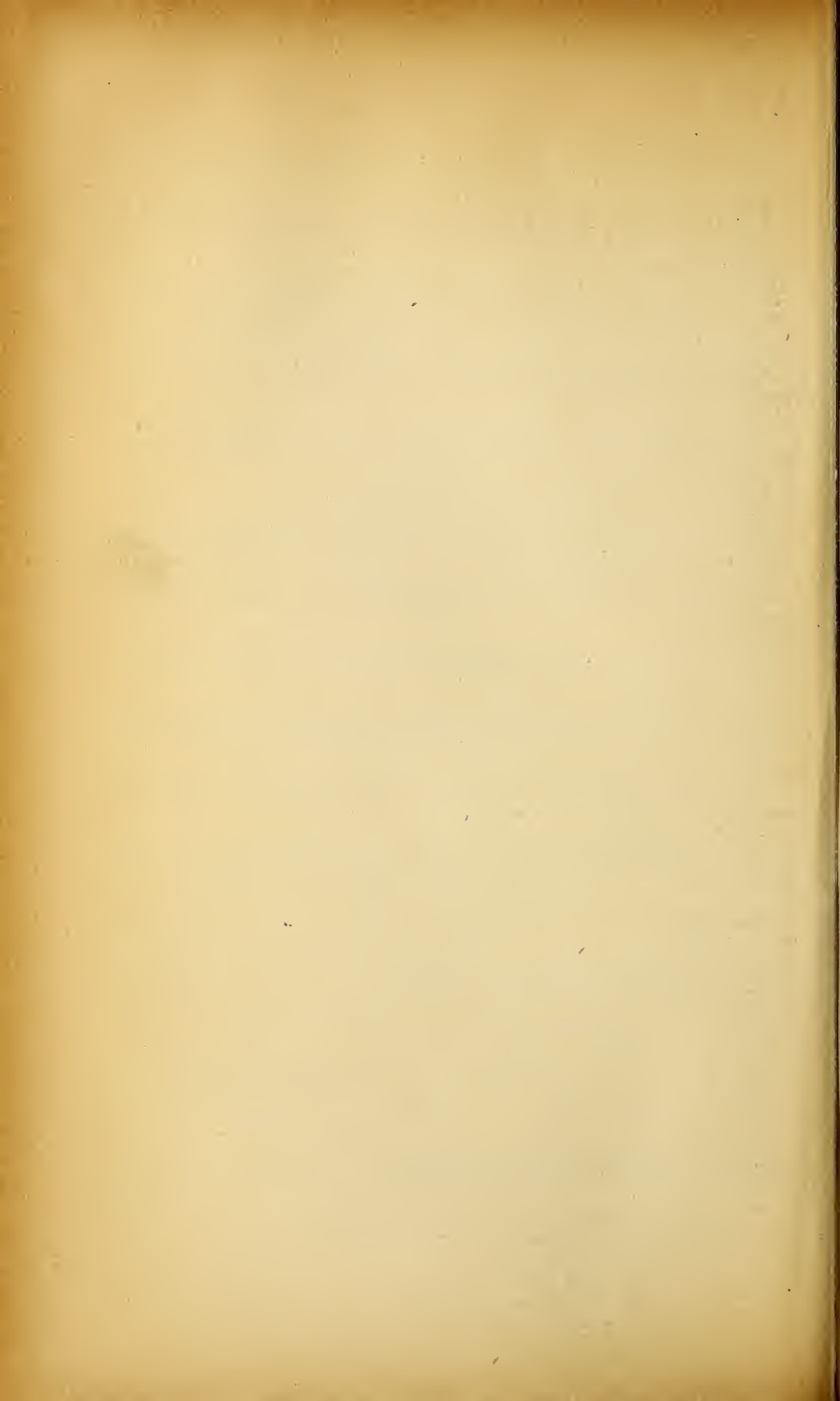
That the City Clerk be directed not to have any matter printed that is not legally necessary, in the opinion of the City Attorney.

On motion the Common Council then adjourned.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor,  
President of the Common Council.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.





# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—MARCH 22, 1886.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, March 22d, A. D. 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, in regular session.

**PRESENT**—Hon. Thomas E. Endly, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright—8.

**ABSENT**, 2—viz. Aldermen Brown, and Prier.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular sessions held February 8th and 22d; the special session held February 24th, and the regular session held March 8th, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

## MESSNGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read:

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 15th, 1886.

For the Common Council :

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report from the Mayor, showing fines and fees collected (see page 169, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Mayor and City Clerk, showing that they had issued Temporary Loan Warrants to the amount of \$40,000.00, (see page 170, *ante*), was read and received.

The report of the City Attorney, of cases tried (see page 170, *ante*), was read and received.

The report of the City Clerk, showing notice served on the Citizens' Street Railway Company (see page 170, *ante*), was read and received.

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

To the Hon. Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

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

John L. Spaulding vs. Fred. Bippers.....	\$38 81
John L. Spaulding vs. George W. Nevitt.....	38 81

Respectfully submitted,

March 8th, 1886.

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 170, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, reporting certain estimates for painting city bridges, was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, (see page 171, *ante*), was concurred in.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, (see page 171, *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the contract and bond of David A. Haywood, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Ash street from Christian avenue to Massachusetts avenue. Bond, \$2,000; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The communication from Kelly, Jones & Co., and the following resolution in relation to the same (see page 172, *ante*), was read:

*Resolved*, That the proposition of Kelly & Jones Company and accompanying bondsmen, providing for the substitution of a No. 5 Dean pump for a No. 5 Delameter pump, be accepted, and the Hospital Board, Superintendent of Hospital and the Supervising Architect be instructed to make such change in the plans and specifications of the steam heating apparatus for the City Hospital as will comply with said proposition.

And the resolution was concurrently adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

Later in the session, on motion by Alderman Wright, the foregoing action was reconsidered, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The communication and resolution were then referred to the Committee on Hospital and Dispensary.



The following clauses of the report from the Board of Public Improvements were read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 172 and 173, *ante*), was concurred in:

1. Is to place double stone crossings across New York street, at California street, Bright and Douglass streets; also, across Bright street on both sides of New York street. Recommend two crossings be placed across New York street at California street, also one on east side of Bright street, across New York street.

5. Is to place double stone crossings on Blake street, at Michigan street. Recommend the work be done.

12. Is to change the grade of Ninth and Ruckle streets at and about their junction, so as to drain the same; work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer. Recommend the work be done.

13. Is to construct an 18-inch pipe sewer from West street on Root street, to White River, a distance of about 350 feet, with three catch-basins at West street.

Recommend the work be done, and that the City Civil Engineer be instructed to advertise for proposals to do said work.

14. Is to repair with gravel the roadway of West street and clean the gutters of said street, in the vicinity of Root street, so as to afford proper drainage.

Recommend the work be done when the mentioned sewer is completed.

The following clauses of the report from the Judiciary Committee were read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 173, *ante*), was concurred in:

1st. On the petition of J. S. Cruse, agent of M. C. Hildebrand, praying for the refunding of \$10.00, with interest, paid the city on assessment for widening south East street, we report that on examination we find that said assessment was erroneous, for the reason that said south East street was not widened, and we recommend that said sum of \$10.00, without interest, be refunded to the petitioner.

4th. On the petition of Ann Russell and Thomas Russell, asking for \$566.00 damages for the washing away of a barn, coal house and other property, and loss of rent, by reason of a change of the course of Pogue's Run, your committee report: On examination, that the petitioners themselves were responsible for a large part of the damage done, and that \$150.00 would be sufficient to pay for any damage caused by the city, which said sum of \$150.00 they recommend be allowed the petitioners in full of all demands by reason of the damages claimed.

The following report from the Committee on Sewers and Drainage, was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 174, *ante*), was concurred in:

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Common Council:

*Gentlemen*.—Your Committee to whom was referred the following motion:

“That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to prepare plans and advertise for bids for the construction of an eighteen (18) inch pipe sewer on Root street, from West street to White River.”

Would respectfully recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank. E. Benjamin,  
Robert McClelland,  
Thomas Markey,  
Committee on Sewers and Drainage.

The following report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, (see page 175, *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council :

*Gentlemen.*—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, together with the City Civil Engineer, to whom was referred the petition and plat for "Windsor Place," presented to the Council by Harry Milligan, for approval, would report that we have examined the same, and recommend its approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,  
John H. Herig,  
Julius F. Reinecke,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The report from the City Hall Building Committee, in relation to the contract and bond of Knight & Jillson was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon, (see page 176, *ante*), was concurred in.

The report from the City Hall Building Committee, in relation to chairs and electric light wires, (see page 176, *ante*), was read; and on motion by Alderman Laut, the portion in regard to the placing of electric light wires, was non-concurred in. The remainder of the report was then concurred in.

The following motions (see pages 181, 182, 184 and 186, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify the owners of the staves piled on south California street, to remove the same within ten days; if not removed in ten days, that the Street Commissioner remove the same at the expense of the owners.

That Mrs. Rhodius be ordered to repair the sidewalk in front of her lot on Tennessee street north of the first alley from Washington street.

That the Committee on Printing be instructed to have 200 copies printed of the report of the Superintendent of the City Hospital.

That the Committee on Public Property be requested to advertise for proposals for leasing the Sellers farm for the coming year.

The following resolution (see page 184, *ante*), was read :

*Resolved*, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to lay water mains on English avenue, between Harrison and Dillon streets; and that the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to notify said Company of the passage of this resolution; and the Chief Fire Engineer is directed to superintend the placing of the fire hydrants along said line in accordance with the terms of the contract now existing between said company and the city.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The communication from the Board of Health, in regard to new Rules, (see page 181, *ante*), was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The Mortality report from the Board of Health, showing 74 deaths for the two weeks ending March 15, 1886, was read and received.

The following special message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—The Common Council, at its regular session held Monday evening, March 15th, 1886, non-concurred in the following resolution:

“Resolved, That the room formerly occupied by the late City Treasurer be in the future occupied and known as the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, and that the Janitor be instructed to put same in proper order.”

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—The Common Council, at its regular session held in the Council Chamber Monday evening, March 15th, non-concurred in your amendment to the resolution annexing certain platted territory, and adhered to their former action, and re-adopted the resolution without the amendment of your honorable body.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

On motion by Alderman Pritchard, the Board receded from its former action, and concurrently adopted the resolution, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were severally read the first time:

Ap. O. 16, 1886—An ordinance appropriating the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars, on account of the Street Repair Department of the City of Indianapolis.

S. O. 27, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, curbing with stone and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of East street, from Morris street to Lincoln Lane.

S. O. 30, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Coburn street, from East street to Madison avenue.

S. O. 34, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Christian avenue, from Bellefontaine avenue to the Wabash Railway tracks.

S. O. 35, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Meridian street, from Seventh street to Twelfth street.

Alderman Pritchard moved that the Rules be suspended and Ap. O. 16, 1886, and S. O's. 27, 34 and 35, 1886, be placed on their final passage.

Which motion was adopted, and the Rules suspended, by the following vote:

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AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 16, 1886, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 27, 1886, was then read the second time, and on motion by Alderman Schmidt, was amended by striking out all that provides for curbing; the ordinance as amended, was then ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 34, 1886, was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 35, 1886, was then read the second time.

Alderman Pritchard offered the following amendment; which was adopted:

Moved to amend S. O. 35, 1886, by inserting in the second line of title the words "and widening the sidewalks;" and to amend Section 1, line 11, by inserting the words "and the sidewalks widened to a width of fifteen (15) feet."

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

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—The following papers were favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its special session held this evening, March 22, 1886.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The following entitled ordinance (passed by the Common Council) was read the first time:

G. O. 6, 1886—An ordinance granting John B. Dorris the right to exhibit his Great Inter-Ocean Show in Indianapolis two days in April, without license.

Alderman Pritchard moved to suspend the Rules and place the foregoing ordinance on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted, and the Rules suspended by the following vote:

AYES 8, viz:—Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

G. O. 6, 1886, was then read the second and third times, and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 6—Aldermen Crosby, King, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and President Endly.

NAYS 2,—viz: Aldermen Laut and Wright.

The following report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see p. 189, *ante*) was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition and plat of Wilhelmina and Caroline W. Meyer, being a plat of a parcel of ground on Wisconsin street, would report that your Committee, together with the City Civil Engineer, have examined the same, and recommend its approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,  
John H. Herig,  
Julius F. Reinecke,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Alderman Pritchard, in behalf of the Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the item of \$300.00, contracted by the Board of Metropolitan Commissioners as cash difference paid for new team of horses in exchange of team recently made by said Commissioners, recommend the same be paid, and be placed in the next appropriation ordinance. We are, however, of the opinion that the Board had no legal right to enter into the contract without first submitting the matter for the approval of the Council and the Board. The monthly pay-rolls of officers and men must be paid upon certified statement of the Commissioners; but they are not authorized to buy horses, wagons, lands and station houses without the consent of the city government.

Respectfully submitted,

James. A. Pritchard,  
G. S. Wright,  
Lorenz Schmidt,  
Committee on Judiciary.

Alderman Laut, in behalf of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—G. O. 16, 1885, requiring the J., M. & I. Railroad Company to maintain a Flagman at the crossing of its tracks and Ray street, was referred to us. Your committee has examined the above, and recommend the ordinance be passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. W. Laut,  
Lorenz Schmidt,  
Committee on Railroads.

President Endley, in behalf of the Committee on Rules, submitted the following report and resolution :

To the Members of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Rules submit the following Rules for the government of the Board of Aldermen, and recommend their adoption by the passage of the accompanying resolution :

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas E. Endly,  
Isaac King,  
G. S. Wright,  
Committee on Rules.

*Be it Resolved by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the foregoing Rules, numbered 1 to 93, inclusive, submitted by the Committee on Rules, be, and the same are hereby, adopted as the Rules for the government of the Board of Aldermen.*

And the report was concurred in, and the resolution adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

On motion, it was ordered that one hundred copies of the Rules of the Board and Council be printed.

Alderman Schmidt, in behalf of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, submitted the following report ; which was concurred in :

To His Honor, the President, and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned Committee, to whom you referred, in your last meeting, the report from the Board of Public Improvements (see pages 137 and 162, *ante*), recommending the disposition of sundry motions, have examined all matters in connection therewith, and we recommend to concur in and adopt said motions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lorenz Schmidt,  
John Rail,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

#### INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Laut offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the C., H. & D., and the C., St. L. & P. Railroad Companies be notified to remove their flag house on Michigan avenue and Oriental street in ten days ; and if not removed in that time, the work be done by the Street Commissioners, at the said companies' expense.

Alderman Rail offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the City Attorney be instructed to ascertain what amount can be lawfully collected, per foot, against property owners on streets where sewers are to be constructed, and to report to this body at its next meeting.



PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

G. O. 39, 1885—An ordinance authorizing the C., C., C. & I. Railway Company to lay a switch track across Biddle street.

On motion the ordinance was amended by adding the words "and North," so as to authorize the laying of a track across Biddle and North streets.

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

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS 1—viz: Alderman Schmidt,

The following entitled ordinance was read second and third times:

G. O. 16, 1885—An ordinance requiring the J., M. & I. Railroad Company to maintain a Flagman at the crossing of its tracks and Ray street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

G. O. 22, 1885—An ordinance requiring the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific Railway Company to station and maintain a flagman at the crossing of its track and Christian avenue.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 127, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Minerva street, from New York street, to north street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 5, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Broadway street, from Eighth street to Ninth street, and repealing Special Ordinance No. 97, 1885.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endley.

NAYS,—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 13, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Seventh street, from Meridian street to Central avenue, except paving between Alabama street and New Jersey street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 14, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Second street, from Meridian street to Pennsylvania street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 23, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, curbing with stone and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Fifth street, from Illinois street to Meridian street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.