

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

SPECIAL SESSION—JULY 15, 1886.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Thursday evening, July 15th, A. D. 1886, at eight o'clock, pursuant to the following call:

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

Gentlemen:—You are hereby requested to meet in special session in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Thursday evening, July 15th, 1886, at eight o'clock, for the transaction of such business as may come before the Board.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

ISAAC KING, President *pro tem*.

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

ABSENT, 2—viz: Aldermen Prier, and Wright.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Common Council, in adjourned session held in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, July 12th, 1886, adhered to its former action in concurring in the report of the Building Committee, relating to the disposition of the lower floors of the Tomlinson Hall building and the contemplated Market House, and the removal of the old market building; and *non-concurred* in your action of adopting the following motions relative to the same:

“That the lower part of the City Hall be by the Architect, arranged for occupancy by meat and fish men, and then be leased to them.”

“That John Cooper remove 160 feet of the west end of the old Market House by the 16th of July, 1886, and the remainder of said building by the 25th of July, 1886, under his bid heretofore made.”

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

Alderman Pritchard moved that the Board of Aldermen adhere to its former action.

Which motion was adopted.

Alderman Pritchard presented the following petition; which was ordered filed:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned Gardeners, attending the East Market, petition and ask that you will not pass any ordinance or resolution requiring us to occupy

the basement under the City Hall We can not afford to buy stalls there at the appraisalment, (fifty dollars), and will not do so, if offered to us.

If we were able to buy the stalls under the City Hall, we would not do so, as we can not use them in our business. The gardening business must, in the main, be done from our wagons. If denied the right to do so at the market space, it will be better for us to drive to the places of our customers and sell; and we will do so, rather than be forced to buy stalls under the City Hall. Give us out of door spaces.

Respectfully submitted,

August Elbrecht, Henry Koklt, William Marchmeyer, Geo. Youngerman, Henry Bueyer, Wm. Wischmeyer, John Baumer, Thos. S. Martin, Henry Losche, Andy Harmon. Johk J. Vondermar, Carl Rosener, Fr. Niemeier, H. P. Off, Charles French, Wm. Hohll, John Trost, Henry Weghorst, Gerd. Imminck, Bernard Barkmann, George Dirks, Wm. Pieper, John Vacker, Henry Wallmann, Wm. Pinpner, Jos. Mayer, Henry Pence, Wm. Korcher, Bernhardt Rausch, Teterich Ecke, Wm. Minkner, Jos. Rasner, John Bernhardt, Lou. Qvester, Louis Lang, Victor Deschler, Michael Kneryer, Hermah Lohman, John Sinker, Herman Amt, Dick Warwig, Herman Sinker, Hampton Schoeneman, John W. Schoeneman, ohn M. Linder, H. J. Hiencker, Christ. Hoerger, John W. Unverzagt, Gottfried Tenfel, Frederick Sticker. Percy Trost, William Kotterherwich, Fritz Lentz, John Miller, D. Ellwanger, Henry Bohne, Fred. W. Tapp, J. C. Groff, Margaret Schmitt, Augustus Warweg.

Alderman Crosby presented the following petition; which was ordered filed:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, Butchers attending the East Market, petition and ask that we may be given the space under the City Hall for meat stands. If the action of the Council, at its last meeting, prevails, there can be no meat sold upon the East Market until cool weather, as we can not do business in the hot sun, and will not attempt to do so. The motion made by Mr. Pritchard, in the Board of Aldermen, was the right thing, and in the interest of the city treasury and the market. We will buy stands under the City Hall, and we do not believe the Gardners will.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Crosby, C. J. Gardner, W. H. H. Thank, Herman Vallrath, Geo. C. Woersner, Chas. Wechsler, W. H. Wheeler, John Heid, Wm. J. Meek, J. H. Krumer, T. S. David, E. N. Cook, W. R. Pinger, Jacob Reiffer, Warren Reed, Johnston Wallace, C. Fleckhammer, Henry Tegtmeier, M. Derleth, August Stuckmeyer, Chas. Setmidf, Adolph Malzke & Co., Loring Trayer, Wm. Rabertz, Wm. Grund.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Common Council, in adjourned session held in the Council Chamber Monday evening, July 12th, 1886, adhered to its former action in non-concurring in the action of the Board of Aldermen in amending S. O. 53, 1886, and S. O. 68, 1886.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

Alderman King moved that S. O. 68, 1886, be referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Which motion was adopted.

Alderman Pritchard moved that the Board of Aldermen recede from its former action of amending S. O. 53, 1886, and concur in the action of the Common Council on the same.

Which motion was adopted.

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

S. O. 53, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering the gutters of Christian avenue, from the west line of Ash street to Bellefontaine avenue, where not already curbed.

And it was passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS—None.

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 adjourned session held July 12th, 1886.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots No. 19 and 20, in Hendricks' addition to the City of Indianapolis, which lots front south on Dougherty street, between south East street and Wright street of the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as in the opinion of this Council, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof, and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1886, entitled "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of ponds, excavations and holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same," and that in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance: *Provided,* that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS—None.

The following motions, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, (see pages 599, 600, 602, 604, 605, 606 and 607, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to put a railing along the sidewalk on the south side of Washington street, at the west end of White River bridge.

That Stout & Bannister be granted the permission of putting a driveway crossing of bowlders on Liberty street, on the east side thereof, just immediately south of the C., H. & D. R. R. tracks. The work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters at the southeast corner of Washington and East streets.

That the Kissel heirs be allowed to place curbing in front of their property, corner of McCarty street and Russell avenue, at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby ordered to do what work is necessary to protect the street and sidewalks on Linden street, at Pleasant Run.

That the Chief Fire Engineer be, and he is hereby, directed to strike the following clause from the Rules and Regulations governing the Fire Department, viz:

"Any member of the department who shall neglect to pay any just debt contracted during his connection with the department, after being notified that such a claim has been filed against him, shall be subject to suspension or dismissal."

That the City Civil Engineer notify contractor Levi Wright that he must complete his contract for the grading and graveling of the east side of Hall Place street before the next regular meeting of this Council, or his contract will be forfeited.

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to notify property owners at No. 449 north New Jersey street, west side, to change their numbers to correspond with regular ones.

That Mr. Sugart be permitted to take thirty loads of dirt off of Orange street, in order to complete a job of grading he is doing near said street.

That Mrs. Jones be granted permission to put in stone curbing in front of her property, No. 278 North Illinois street, at her own expense, and under the direction of the Civil Engineer.

That W. H. Brown have permission to make water and gas connections to his new building on Meridian street, he to put same in as good repair as it now is, under the direction of the City Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify the property owners of 36 and 38 north East street to repair the sidewalk in front of their property, and if not done within 15 days, that said work be done by the Street Commissioner at the expense of the property owners.

The following motion (passed by the Common Council—see page 600, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to direct the Gas Company to dismantle the first lamp-post on the west side of Douglas street south of Michigan street, and re-mantle the second lamp-post on the east side of Blake street north of New York street.

The following motions (passed by the Common Council—see pages 606 and 607, *ante*), were read, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to open Parker avenue, at the crossing of the Belt Railroad.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a double stone crossing on the south side of Ohio street across Noble street.

The following motion (passed by the Common Council—see page 603, *ante*), was read, and concurrently adopted :

That the matter of the improvement of Washington street, as contemplated by S. O. No. 40, 1886, and the bids for the same, be referred to a Special Committee of three Councilmen, two Aldermen, City Attorney and City Civil Engineer, with instructions to determine whether or not all bids should be rejected and the same re-advertised for bids, or a new ordinance drafted, omitting all items in the present ordinance that can be properly omitted; and that the owners of real estate along the line of said proposed improvement be requested to meet with such Special Committee.

The President appointed Aldermen Brown and King as the Committee.

The following ordinance (passed by the Common Council—see page 607, *ante*), was read the first time :

G. O. 44, 1886—An ordinance to amend Sections five, eight, ten, eleven and fourteen, and to repeal Sections four and nine, of General Ordinance No. 22, 1886, entitled "An ordinance granting the Citizens' Co-operative Telephone Company permission to use the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis in constructing, operating and maintaining lines of telephones in said city;" ordained and established on the 24th day of May, 1886.

Alderman King moved that the Rules be suspended for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS—None.

G. O. 44, 1886, was then read a second time, read the third time, and it was passed by the following vote :

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

NAYS, 1—viz: Alderman Schmidt.

President Endly offered the following motions; which were adopted :

That H. H. Hatchins be, and is hereby, granted permission to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on east Market street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That J. W. Cooper be, and is hereby, granted permission to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on Highland avenue, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

The Finance Committee, through Alderman Schmidt, submitted the following as the majority report:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee to whom the following report was referred :

" To the Mayor and City Council :

Gentlemen:—Your Finance Committee find that under the recent bill, known as the Winter Bill, does not provide for the collection of delinquent taxes, only when voluntarily paid at the office of the County Treasurer. Owing to a large delinquent

list, and the urgent need of the money due the city, we would recommend that County Treasurer Miller be directed to place delinquent bills in the hands of collectors, at an expense not to exceed six per cent. on all sums collected within the year 1886, only.

Respectfully,

Isaac Thalman,
John R. Pearson,
Henry L. Smith,
Joseph H. Howes,
Julius F. Reinecke,
Committee on Finance."

Recommend that the action of the Council be concurred in.

Lorenz Schmidt,
H. W. Laut,

Committee on Finance and Accounts and Claims.

Alderman Brown submitted the following minority report:

I recommend that the action of the Council be non-concurred in.

M. L. BROWN.

Which minority report was *non*-concurred in by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Rail, and Schmidt.

NAYS, 3—viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, and President Endly.

Alderman King moved that the majority report be concurred in.

Which motion was adopted, and the majority report concurred in, by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Rail, and Schmidt.

NAYS, 3—viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, and President Endly.

The Committee on Water, through Alderman Rail, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee to whom the following report was referred, viz:

"Your Committee to which was referred a motion that a drinking fountain be erected on Madison avenue, near the east corner of Madison avenue and McCarty street, recommend that such a fountain be erected under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, and that he advertise for bids for the same.

D. F. Swain,
C. McGroarty,
Committee."

Recommend that such a fountain be erected under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Respectfully submitted,

John Rail,
John S. Crosby,
Jas. A. Pritchard,
Committee on Water.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.