

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—AUGUST 23, 1886.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, August 23d, A. D. 1886, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Thomas E. Endly, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail Schmidt, and Wright—10.

ABSENT—None.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held August 9th, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its regular session held August 16th, 1886.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report from His Honor, the Mayor, (see page 721, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see pages 721 and 722, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 722, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Richter & Twiname, for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Seventh street, (except paving between Alabama and New Jersey streets), from Meridian street to Central avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AY: 66.

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AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 722, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Freaney Brothers, for erecting one lamp-post, lamp and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on the south side of Second street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 723, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Freaney Brothers, for erecting one lamp-post, lamp and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Bellefontaine avenue, between Christian avenue and Cherry street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 723, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and graveling the first alley west of Park avenue, from a point 168 feet south of Eleventh street, to Tenth street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 723, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for

grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Second street, from Meridian street to Pennsylvania street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 723, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for grading, bowldering and curbing the north gutter of Second street, from Meridian street to the first alley east of Meridian street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 724, *ante*), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Levi Wright, for gravelling the sidewalks of Hall Place street, from Seventh street to Eighth street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The contracts and bonds submitted by the City Civil Engineer, (see page 724, *ante*), were read and concurrently approved.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, on the appointment of an Inspector of the Delaware street improvement (see page 724, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council relative thereto, (see page 725, *ante*), was concurred in.

The following report from the City Clerk was read :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

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

Richter & Twiname vs. Emily B. Fletcher, for.....	\$27 80
Richter & Twiname vs. Emily E. Langsdorff, for.....	27 80
Richter & Twiname vs. Edward P. Matthews, for.....	27 80
Richter & Twiname vs. Margt. Bell, for.....	27 80

Richter & Twiname vs. James H. Wilson, for.....	27 80
Richter & Twiname vs. James H. Wilson, for.....	27 80
Richter & Twiname vs. Marcus L. Hare, for.....	75 60
Respectfully submitted,	MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 725, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following report from the Chief Fire Engineer (see page 725, *ante*), was read:

Indianapolis, Ind., August 16, 1886.

To His Honor, the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith present the name of John Keating for a position in the Fire Department, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Cook Butler, of Hose Company No. 8.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

Alderman Rail moved that the action of the Common Council be concurred in, and the appointment confirmed.

Alderman King moved as a substitute for the above motion, that the report be referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS, 1—viz: Alderman King.

The motion offered by Alderman Rail, "That the action of the Common Council be concurred in, and the appointment confirmed," was then adopted.

The Mortality report from the Board of Health, for the first half of August, 1886, was read and received.

The following report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, (see page 728, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the report of the City Civil Engineer relative to a pond of water in the Michigan Road, between Sixth and Seventh streets, recommend that the Street Commissioner be directed to fill said pond, and to notify the Water Company to so repair the bank of the Canal, so as to stop the water leaking through at said point.

Respectfully submitted,

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

By consent, the City Attornøy submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen.—The report of the Council Committee on Streets and Alleys, upon the petition of J. V. McKernan and others, for the changing of the location of the alley in the rear of Lots 127 and 128, McKernan & Pierce's subdivision of Out-lot 128, in the City of Indianapolis, referred to me by your honorable body, has been examined, and I find that it lacked the necessary resolution of reference which said resolution, in order to expedite matters, I prepared and submitted to, and it was acted on by the Council at its last regular meeting, and is before you for your action.

Respectfully submitted, WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

The following resolution (see page 729, *ante*), was read:

Resolved, That the petition of J. V. McKernan and others, praying for the changing of the location of the alley in the rear of Lots 127 and 128, McKernan & Pierce's subdivision of Out-lot 128, in the City of Indianapolis, as prayed for in said petition, be referred to the City Commissioners, with instructions to assess benefits and damages, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; the Commissioners to return all petitions and notices. The City Clerk is hereby instructed to serve the notices upon said Commissioners and property owners.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The report from the Building Committee on Market House and Public Buildings, on the insurance of Tomlinson Hall, (see pages 729 and 730, *ante*), was read and received, and the following motion relative thereto, (see page 730, *ante*), was read and concurrently adopted:

“That the proposition now made by the companies holding insurance on the Tomlinson Hall, to carry insurance on the same, to the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000 00), for \$450 00, from June 1st, 1886, for three years, be accepted.”

The following motion (see page 735, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

That the Railroad companies crossing Mississippi street at or near Louisiana street, be directed to place a culvert under their tracks on the west side of Mississippi street.

The following motions (see pages 733, 735, 736 and 737, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

WHEREAS, Many complaints have been made of unequitable charges for water to private consumers by the Water Company of this city; and

Whereas, There has never been made by agreement between the city and said company a schedule of prices to private consumers;

Moved, therefore, That the Committees on Water of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and City Attorney, be instructed to confer with said Water Company, and if possible arrange and agree upon a schedule of prices for water to private consumers, and report the same to this body at its next regular meeting.

That Fred. Trucks be allowed the privilege to gravel and pave with stone flagging the sidewalks in front of his property on West street, at his own cost, and to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer, and he is hereby directed to set the grade stakes for the said improvement.

That Charles Wagner be allowed to place curbing along the line of his property on Ray street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

WHEREAS, Complaints have been made by residents in the vicinity of the Citizens' Street Railway Company's stable situated at the corner of Coll. avenue and Tenth street, of the unsanitary and indifferent manner in which the stables are kept;

Moved, therefore, That the City Board of Health investigate the condition and manner of keeping the stables; and are hereby authorized to order said company to make such changes in keeping the same as are necessary to the good sanitary condition of it.

That Mrs. Jones have permission to re-pave the brick walk and curb the gutter with stone, in front of her property, No. 273 north Illinois street. Said work to be done at her own expense, and that the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, ordered to set the grade stakes for said work.

That the City Civil Engineer be authorized to arrange with the contractor of the cement sidewalks through Circle Park, to make such protection around the driven well as he may be considered necessary.

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

G. O. 47, 1886—An ordinance making and providing for the execution of a contract between the City of Indianapolis and the Indianapolis Water Company.

G. O. 48, 1886—An ordinance authorizing William A. Rhodes to lay a switch track across the south sidewalk of Georgia street.

S. O. 150, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the repealing of S. O. 95, 1886, an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for grading and graveling Reid street and sidewalks, between the C., I., St. L. & C. tracks and Woodlawn avenue."

On motion by Alderman Wright, G. O. 47, 1866, was referred to the Committee on Water, Committee on Finance, and the City Attorney.

On motion by Alderman Schmidt, G. O. 48, 1886, was referred to the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities, and Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—The property owners adjacent to that part of Delaware street now being paved with red cedar blocks, have asked me to appoint Hamilton McCoy my assistant to inspect the said work as it progresses, and they agree to pay him for such inspection. I ask your instructions in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

Alderman Pritchard offered the following motion relative to the foregoing report; which was adopted:

That the Board of Aldermen and Common Council give their consent to the appointment of Mr. Hamilton McCoy as inspector, by the City Civil Engineer, on north Delaware street cedar block pavement, upon the express understanding that citizens along the line shall pay him for his services as such inspector. Said McCoy shall be subject to the City Civil Engineer, and obey his orders, and act as Deputy City Civil Engineer.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary and Ordinances, through Pritchard, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the following clause of a report from the Council Committee on Judiciary, viz:

“*Indianapolis*, Nov. 15, 1885.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred various petitions, beg leave to report thereon as follows:

3d. We find that only \$20.29 of the \$112.92 paid by A. H. Haymond as taxes on lots in J. W. King's subdivision of Bryan's addition, was paid within the six years last past. We recommend that said sum of \$20.29 be refunded to Mr. Haymond, provided he will receive the same in full satisfaction of all demands.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
P. M. Gallahue,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Committee on Judiciary.”

We recommend that the favorable action of the Common Council be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The Committee on Markets and Public Property, through Alderman Crosby, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Markets and Public Property, to whom was referred the matter as to the improvement of Garfield Park, hereby respectfully submit the following report: We have visited the same, and find that to make the improvement mentioned, and place it in fair condition, would put the city to a cost of no less than five thousand dollars; and while we would like to see the improvement made, yet under the present financial condition of the city's treasury, we can not possibly recommend the same.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Crosby,
M. L. Brown,
Isaac King,
Committee on Public Property.

The Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, through Alderman Schmidt, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee to whom was referred Special Ordinance No. 68, 1886, "An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick, and curbing with stone the sidewalks of St. Clair street, from Massachusetts avenue to the C., C., C. & I. R. R tracks," have examined said matter carefully, and recommend that said ordinance be amended so as to include the bowldering of the gutters; and when so amended, that it pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorenz Schmidt,
John Rail,
H. J. Prier,

Committee on Streets & Alleys, and Sewers & Drainage.

Alderman Prier offered the following amendment to the ordinance; which was adopted :

Amend Special Ordinance No. 68, 1886, by inserting, after the word "sidewalks," in line 2, the words "and bowldering the gutters."

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

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Prier offered the following motion; which was adopted;

That F. Ostermeyer and C. Meyer be, and are hereby, granted permission to lay a brick pavement in front of their property on Highland avenue, at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Alderman Schmidt offered the following motion; which was adopted :

— That the name of Oriole street (being the first street west of East street, between Nebraska street and Lincoln Lane), be changed, and that the said street is now hereby named and known as "Hendricks" street. Also, that the name of Hendricks street, (being the second street west of East street, between Nebraska street and Lincoln Lane), be changed, and that the said street is now hereby named and known as "Oriole" street.

Alderman Wright offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the Police Board be requested to furnish proper Police protection to the citizens holding religious services in Tomlinson Hall on Sunday evenings.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

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

S. O. 70, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley south of Fletcher avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 103, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Virginia avenue, from Cedar street to the first alley west of Cedar street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 104, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Virginia avenue, from Cedar street to Grove street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 111, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of East street, from South street to the C., H. & I. R. R. tracks.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 112, 1886—An ordinance to provide for re-grading and graveling the roadway of California street, from Washington street to Market street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 116, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Woodlawn avenue, from Dillion street to the third street east of Dillion street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, 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.