

Attest

James N Sweetser
City Clerk.

James McCreedy Mayor

Common Council Chamber
March 5th 1855

The Council met at 7 O'clock P M. Present all the members except the Mayor

On motion Mr Maguire was called to the Chair and took his seat as President pro tem

The Treasurers monthly report was presented and on motion was referred to the Mayor & Clerk for examination

The following report was received

The old Cisterns are in good order and the new ones are in bad order

Wm Hughey

The following report was presented

The undersigned reports to the Council that King & Kennedy have finished the foot bridge over the Canal on Maryland Street agreeable to plan & specifications and to my satisfaction

James Wood,
Civil Engineer

On motion of Mr Nelson the City Clerk was authorized to issue orders to King & Kennedy for the amount due for building said Bridge

The following report was received

The undersigned reports to the Council that a lamp has been erected on the North Side of Market Street at the South west corner of the First Presbyterian Church, agreeable to the plan of lighting the City

James Wood
Civil Engineer

The following report was presented

The undersigned reports to the Council, that he contracted with Button & Fisher to paint the wood work of Invincible Engine House for fifty two dollars, and that the painting has been completed, with the exception of the wood work in the hall, which has got one coat. As the painting cannot be finished



till the hall is plastered, the Council will be pleased to allow Button & Fisher a payment of thirty dollars on their contract

James Wood
Civil Engineer

On motion of Mr Avery said account of thirty dollars was allowed

The Civil Engineer reported the amount of an estimate for building a Bridge over the canal on Georgia Street to be \$335.00

On motion said report was laid on the table

The following report was presented

Indianapolis Police Report beginning, Monday Feby 5th, ending Monday Morning March 5th 1855

Jefferson Springstean	Served twenty six days
Joseph Colley	Served Twenty four days
Wm Robinson	Served twenty six days
F Wright	Served twenty six days
A Scott	Served twenty one days
D Derringer	Served twenty five days
D Anderson	Served Seventeen & $\frac{1}{2}$ days
J W Buckhart	Served twenty eight days
Robert Johnson	Served twenty seven days
Jessee Van blaricum	Served twenty five days
B Sobaugh	Served twenty eight days
Wm McClain	Served twenty seven days
C Morgan	Served twenty eight days
R Adams	Served Eighteen days
David Gates	Served Nine days
H Adams	Served twenty seven & $\frac{1}{2}$ days

Jefferson Springstean
Capt of the Watch

On motion of Mr Jones the City Clerk was authorized to issue orders to the Watchman for said services

The following report was received

Number of arrests made by the Watchmen beginning Monday Feby 5th ending Monday March 5th 1855

For intoxication	49
" Disturbing the peace	8
" Assault & Battery	2
" Keeping disorderly house	1
" females for intoxication	2
Whole number	<hr/> 62

Jefferson Springstean



The following report was presented

To the Common Council of Indianapolis

In compliance with a resolution of the Council I herewith submit the following report of fines paid during the Month of Jany & Feby 1855

January	Fines paid		\$118.00	
"	Replevied		38.00	
"	discharged 3 cases			
"	Mittimus		218.00	
"	appealed		12.50	Total \$386.50
Feby	Fines paid		\$ 52.00	
"	Replevied		24.00	
"	Mittimus		86.00	
"	Appeal		10.00	
"	discharged 5 cases	Total	\$172	<u>172.00</u>
				<u>\$558 50</u>

Whole number of arrests	Jany	90
"	"	"
"	"	"
"	"	"
	Feby	56
	Total	146

James McCready Mayor.

The following accounts were presented and allowed

Etzel for attendance in Freley's family 20 days		
& a suit of clothes destroyed	\$	50.00
T Bullard for Medical attendance on Small pox patients		44.00
Edwards & Copeland for Lumber		38.75
Sheets & Bradin for Blank Books		52.00
John Kentzel for posting ordinances		.75
S Chapman for water boxes		16.50
Indps G L & Coke Company for gas		195.00
W Hughley for Labor		19.50
John Wilson " "		3.00
	Total	<u>\$419.50</u>

Mr Dunlap from the Judiciary Committee the contract with **the Gas Company**

Mr Colley moved to amend said contract, by adding, so as to bind said Company to lay down pipes whenever the Citizens shall have erected posts on any Square.

Which amendment prevailed by the following vote.

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Avery, Boaz, Colley, Gowan, Jones Keeley, Maguire, Nelson, Pitts, Seibert & Trucksess 11

In the Negative, Messrs Dunlap, Graydon & Karns 3

On motion of Mr Dunlap said contract was referred back to the Civil Engineer



Mr Fletcher informed the Council that the School Trustees have employed Mr Bowen as Superintendent of the City Schools at a salary of \$400., and the Trustees desire to have the fences around the School lots built immediately

Mr Maguire offered the following resolution

Resolved That the Trustees of the Common Schools be authorized to carry out the general plans agreed upon by them and suggested by Mr Fletcher to the Council this evening

Adopted by the following vote

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Avery, Boaz, Colley, Dunlap, Graydon, Gowan, Jones, Karns, Keeley, Maguire, Nelson, Pitts, Seibert & Trucksess. 14

In the Negative - None

On motion the account of John Ash was referred to the Committee on accounts.

On motion of Mr Pitts the City Assessor was allowed the sum of \$50 in advance as part pay for making the Assessment for 1855

Mr Trucksess offered the following resolution

Resolved That some suitable person be employed to remove all dead animals out side of the City limits, and to secure the same in such a manner as to cause no nuisance whatever to be paid such an amount as may be agreed upon by the Common Council. And, that a Committee be appointed to make a contract as above contemplated and report to this Council at our next meeting.

Adopted by the following vote

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Avery, Colley, Dunlap, Graydon, Gowan, Jones, Karns, Keeley, Maguire, Nelson, Pitts, Seibert and Trucksess

In the Negative - None

Messrs Trucksess, Colley & Pitts were appointed said Committee

Mr Karns offered the following resolution

Resolved That hereafter no bills will be allowed for attending on Small Pox cases or other diseases unless previously ordered by the Council

Adopted by the following vote

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Avery, Dunlap, Graydon, Gowan, Jones, Karns, Keeley, Maguire, Nelson & Seibert 10

In the Negative, Messrs Colley, Pitts & Trucksess 3

Mr Colley presented a communication from several Hotel Keepers of the City asking the Council to change the ordinance



entitled "An Ordinance for the protection of Travellers,
and the preservation of Public order at the Union Depot" .

On motion of Mr Dunlap said communication was referred
to the Judiciary Committee

Mr Dunlap moved That when the Council adjourns, it
adjourns until Saturday evening next for the purpose of con-
sidering the propriety of a change in the ordinance referred
to by the Hotel Keepers

The application of Wm Caser to have taxes refunded was on
motion referred to the Committee on Finance

Adjourned

Attest

James N Sweetser
City Clerk

James McCreedy Mayor