

Council Chamber  
June 18th 1855

The Council met at 2 O'Clock P.M. present the Mayor and all the Council except Messrs Douglass and Horn

Street Commissioners report received and allowed  
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Pady Herarty	worked	7 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	days	on	streets	at	\$1.25	\$9.68
James Griffin	"	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	1.25	6.87
Tim Haley	"	7 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	"	9.37
Tim Murphy	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
Thomas Keenan	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
Christ Coleman	"	7	"	"	"	"	"	8.75
James Hiesas	"	5 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	"	7.18
Philip Sock	"	6 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	"	8.43
Jacob Stiner	"	6 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	"	8.43
Mike Reru	"	5	"	"	"	"	"	6.25
Dan McNer	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
John McGraw	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
Thomas O'Connell	"	7	"	"	"	"	"	8.75
William Sovaary	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
Michael O'Connell	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
Pat O'Herren	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
Hugh Slaven	"	12	"	"	"	"	"	15.00
Charles Nutmeir	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	7.50
James Dugan	"	7	"	"	"	"	"	8.75
Peter Marety	"	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	"	8.12
Fred Wishmeir	"	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	"	"	"	"	"	5.62
Dennis Quinlin for hawling								2.50
John Kentzel for bill posting								1.00
Hugh Slavin 12 days with horses and Waggon at						\$2.50		30.00
Anthony Lowman 5 " " " " " "						"		12.50
Frank Morris 6 " " " " " "						"		15.00
John Kelly 6 " work						1.25		7.50
Walters & McNabb for 1500 bricks for well at cistern								7.00
C & J Cox for Scales (South Market)								1.75
A.Grayson for nails, shovels &c								22.39
								<u>\$270.84</u>

J.B.Fitler Commissioner

City Engineers Report received and concurred in.

The Bridge across the Canal on Vermont St is finished according to the contract by Mr.Wilson the contractor. A Mr. Vale informs me that he has a contract under Mr.Wood for gravelling the South Market square, and that he has done about \$65 worth of work, for which he says he has received pay. There remains

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to be done about \$80 worth of work. I can find no contract between the City and Mr.Vale. Among Mr.Woods papers. I wish to be instructed how to proceed in the matter, and if Mr.Vale is to be allowed to go on and finish the work. The cistern on corner of New Jersey and Wood Streets, under Mr. Schofield contract, I found was not being properly constructed, and have consequently suspended the work.

Estimate for a house for City sexton \$200.

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Respectfully submitted

A.R.Condit

City Engineer

Mr. Dunlap Chairman of the Judiciary Committee presented the following ordinance.

An Ordinance to restrane hogs or swine from running at large within the corporate limits of the City of Indianapolis, and providing the mode of taking up, impounding and selling the same.

Which was read the second time and laid on the table.

Mr. Dunlap also presented the following Ordinance

An Ordinance authorizing the sale and leasing of the stalls in the several market houses in the City of Indianapolis and fixing the time and terms thereof.

Which was read the second time and laid on the table.

Mr.Delzell Chairman of the Committee on accounts offered the following accounts which were allowed.

G.W.Pitts for Oliver Willis groceries	\$9.78
W.H.Buford " groceries for Oliver Willis	12.52
Dr.F.S.Newcomer for Medical attendance on O.Willis	30.25
George W.Pitts " 1 load of Wood " "	1.50

Accounts of Messrs Elder & Harkins, E.G.Berry, R.O'Niel and Hasselman & Vinton, on motion were refered to the Committee on accounts.

Mr.Reed presented the following report

The committee to whom was refered the location of the cistern in the 7th ward would recommend the South East corner of Georgia and Noble Streets.

J.B.E.Reed )

W.H.Jones ( committee

Samuel Beck)



Mr. Beck presented the following petition

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

The undersigned owners of two thirds of the number of feet on the alley in Square 63 between Delaware and Alabama Streets, being desirous to grade and gravel the same, pray your Honorable body to direct the Civil Engineer to set the grade stakes and advertise for proposals and let the same.

Samuel Beck	215 ft
H. Basher	202 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
John Stumph	16.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.
Wm. Shopenhorst	16.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Indianapolis & Cincinnati R R by T.A. Morris Prst	67 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft
Robert Talkington	16.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in
Kluman & Tapking	38.4 "
Saml Judah	67 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft

On motion of Mr. Beck it was referred to the City Engineer

Mr. Goode presented a petition, from the resident property holders in the North part of the City, asking for an appropriation for a good and efficient Fire Apparatus for Washington Fire Co. No. 4. On Motion was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

Mr. Dunlap offered the following.

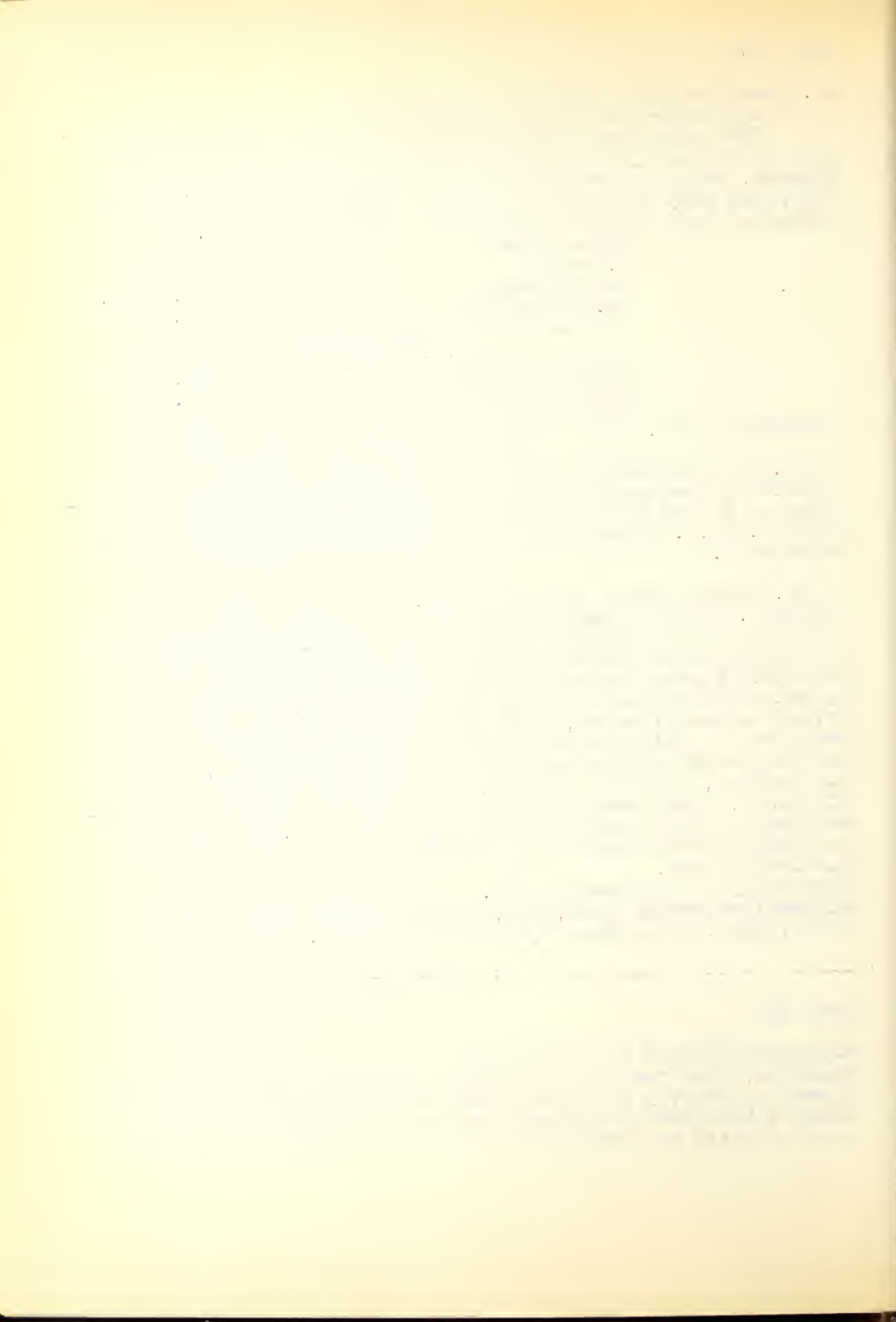
Resolved. That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Common Council of the City, to execute a deed in fee simple to Andrew A. Loudon for Lot Number three (3) in Out Block Number One hundred and fifty nine (159) as laid out by said Council, in the City of Indianapolis, and affix the Corporate seal thereto, which said deed shall be tendered and delivered to said Loudon by the City Attorney, on the payment by said Loudon of the residue of the purchase money, and interest due thereon, to said attorney, said Loudon being the assignee of John B. Stumph administrator of the estate of Theodore Dickman deed to whom said lot was originally sold. The amount of the consideration money to be stated in said deed to be one hundred dollars.

Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative, Messrs Boaz, Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Goode, Jones, Keeley, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove. Negative None.

Mr. Dunlap offered the following

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed as soon as practicable to survey all streets and alleys, establishing the grades thereof that have not heretofore been surveyed within the corporate limits and present a profile of the same to the Council



for their approval, and that he be authorized to employ all necessary labor and assistance at the expense of the City.

Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative, Messrs Boaz, Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Goode, Jones, Keeley, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove.

Negative None.

Mr. Goode offered the following,

Resolved,

That the City Engineer be directed to set the grade stakes on Alabama Street between North Street and the alley North of the same, as soon as possible for the benefit of persons desirous to build.

Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative, Messrs Boaz, Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Goode, Jones, Keeley, Reid and Sulgrove.

Negative None,

Mr. Delzell offered the following

Resolved

That a committee of three be appointed to locate a cistem in the first ward.

Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative Messrs Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Goode, Jones, Keeley, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove

Negative Mr. Graydon.

The following persons were appointed Messrs Delzell, Keeley and Boaz.

Mr. Jones offered the following

Resolved

That the Civil Engineer be instructed to advertise for proposals for building a sewer or gutter on the West side of Illinois Street, from the North side of Washington Street to Piques Run to be built of good brick or stone and not less than four feet wide at the bottom nor less than three and one half feet to the centre of the arch, the bottom to be paved with brick or dressed stone. Not Adopted by the following vote

Affermative Messrs Graydon, Jones & Sulgrove 3

Negative, Messrs Boaz, Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Goode, Keeley, Mansur and Reed 9

Mr. Delzell moved that John and James Johnson be allowed \$2.25 for an over pay of taxes paid by them in the year 1857.

Prevailed.





Mr.Reid offered the following

Resolved,

That the Civil Engineer be directed to receive bids, and put under contract to the lowest responsible bidder, the Cistern on the Corner of Georgia and Noble Streets.

Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative Messrs Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Goode, Keeley, Mansur, and Reid.

Negative Messrs Boaz, Jones and Sulgrove.

Mr.Beck offered the following

Resolved

That the Street Commissioner be and he hereby is requested without delay, to cause to be opened and put in such condition as will carry the water to Pogues Run, the gutters on both sides of Alabama Street between Pogues Run and Merrill Street, and to enable him so to open said gutters, that the City Engineer Cause the proper survey and grade stakes to be set.

Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative Messrs Boaz, Beck, Dunlap, Fuqua, Goode, Keeley, Mansur and Reid.

Negative Messrs Jones and Sulgrove

Mr.Beck presented the following communication

South Street in front of my property, having been cut down several feet, leaving the side walk about four feet higher than the Street, Will the Council allow me to grade and gravel said side walk and use the dirt on the said walk fronting other property on Alabama Street, and on private property.

Granted

R.B.Duncan

Mr.Dunlap offered the following,

Resolved,

That the fine and cost assessed against John P. Michael by the Mayor on June 8th inst, for giving away Liquor, and for card playing on the Sabbath, be and is hereby remitted.

Not Adopted by the following vote.

Affermative Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Keeley and Reid

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Negative Messrs Boaz, Beck, Fuqua, Goode, Jones, Mansur & Sulgrove

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Mr.Dunlap moved, That a Committee be appointed to purchase an Iron safe for the use of the Treasurer of the City.

Prevailed and the following persons were appointed the committee Messrs Dunlap, Horn and Goode.



Mr. Delzell moved That Mr. Robbins be allowed to give a concert in this City on or about the 27th without license.

Prevailed

Mr. Jones moved that the Clerk be authorized to issue an order to John S. Watts for rent on Lot 12 used by the O.K. Bucket Company, in place of an order that was lost.

Prevailed

Mr. Sulgrove offered the following

Resolved,

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill up the gutter on the West side of Illinois Street from the North side of Washington street to the Bank

Not Adopted by the following vote

Affermative Messrs Fuqua, Jones, and Sulgrove

Negative " Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Graydon, Goode, Keeley,

Mansur and Reid

Mr. Boaz offered the following

Resolved,

That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the Madison Rail Road Company to remove the switch off the side walk on South Street

Adopted by the following vote

Affermative Messrs Boaz, Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Goode, Jones, Keeley, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove

Negative None

Mr. Fuqua moved that the Street Commissioner be authorized to have a plank road laid from the Engine House of the Western Liberties Company to Washington Street

Prevailed

Mr. Beck moved that the City Engineer be directed to examin and see if the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Rail Road Company have complied with the Ordinance relative to the culverts in the 7th ward.

Prevailed

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Mr. Reid offered the following

Resolved

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put two foot bridges over the gutter on the South side of Virginia Avenue at the crossing of New Jersey Street.

Adopted by the following vote

Affermative Messrs Boaz, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Jones, Keeley, Mansur Reid and Sulgrove

Negative None



On Motion of Mr. Jones the following Ordinance was taken from the table

An Ordinance amendatory of an Ordinance entitled an Ordinance relative to nuisances and other offences against the police of the City of Indianapolis passed April 20th 1852. Sec. 1st Be it Ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis that the fifth Section of an Ordinance entitled an Ordinance relative to nuisances and other offences against the police of the City of Indianapolis". Which reads as follows. Any person or persons who shall deposit or cause to be deposited in any of the squares, Streets or alleys of this City any timber, wood, rails, posts or any material of any description whatever and suffer the same or any part thereof to remain therein for a longer period than twenty four hours after being notified by the Marshall to remove it, shall on conviction thereof forfeit and pay the sum of three dollars for every twenty four hours the same shall continue after the expiration of said term of twenty four hours, provided that persons engaged in building or making pavements may deposit material for such building or pavement in any of the Streets or alleys for a reasonable time, but no person shall be authorized to fill up any gutter or channell for the passage of water or so obstruct the said streets or alleys as to prevent the passage of carriages or occupy more than two thirds of such street or alley. Shall be amended to read as follows,

Any person or persons who shall deposit or cause to be deposited in any of the squares, streets or alleys of this City any timber, wood, rails, posts or any material of any description whatever and shall suffer the same or any part thereof to remain therein for a longer period than twenty four hours after being notified by the Street Commissioner to remove it shall on conviction thereof forfeit and pay the sum of three dollars for every twenty four hours the same shall continue after the expiration of the said term of twenty four hours, provided that persons engaged in building or making pavements, by making application to the Common Council for a permit stating the time required to complete such building which time shall not exceed

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One hundred days may deposite material for such building or pavement in any of the Streets or alleys for the time permitted by the Common Council, but no person shall be authorized to fill up any gutter or channele for the free passage of water or so obstruct the said Streets or alleys as to prevent the passing of Carriages or occupy more than one third of such Street or alley.



Sec. 2. This Ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication as required by the City Charter.

Ordained by the following vote

Affermative Messrs Boaz, Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Fuqua, Graydon, Good, Jones, Keeley, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove

Negative None

Mr. Delzell offered the following

Resolved

That the Street Commissioner be directed to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ feet of Oak plank for the purpose of building foot bridges.

Adopted.

Mr. Graydon moved that the City Engineer be directed to make an estimate of the work done on the alley in Square 44 between Market and Ohio Streets.

Prevailed

Mr. Dunlap moved that the Sextons house in the Grave Yard be built and ceiled with plank.

Prevailed

Mr. Jones offered the following

Resolved

That the Financial Committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of setting apart a sufficient amount of the revenue of the present year to pay the Watchmen for their services.

Not adopted by the following vote

Affermative Messrs Boaz, Fuqua, Graydon, Jones, and Mansur

Negative " Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Goode, Keeley, Reed and Sulgrove.

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest

James McCreedy Mayor

Alfred Stephens

City Clerk