

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL

ADJOURNED SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Tuesday, December 26, 1871, 7 o'clock P. M. }

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, in the chair, and the following members :

Councilmen Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Wiles and Woodburn—14.

Absent—Councilmen Batty, Gimber, Newman and Whitsit—4.

The proceedings of the regular session held December 18th, 1871, were read and approved,

The sealed proposals for street improvement, and for building an iron bridge over the railroad tracks on Delaware street were opened, read, and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

On motion by Mr. Marsee, the parties who submitted propositions to construct tunnels were allowed to withdraw their bids, and City Clerk instructed to advertise for proposals for building a tunnel on Illinois street, bidders to furnish plans and specifications.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I hereby report the following finished according to contract :

S. W. and R. H. Patterson—

For grading and graveling Smith street and sidewalks, from Indiana avenue to the first alley south of Maria street.

Length on east side.....	489 ft. 8 in.	
Length on west side	517 ft. 4 in.	
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Total length.....	1,007 ft. 0 in.	
At 38 cents per lineal foot.....		\$382 66

Also, Burke and Richter—

A partial estimate for building stone arch culvert over Pogues' Run, on South street :

316 cubic yards of masonry, at \$5.50 per yard.. \$1,738 00
15,840 feet of foundation lumber, at \$2 per one

hundred feet.....	316 80
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Total estimate.....	\$2,054 30

Respectfully submitted,
 R. M. PATTERSON,
 Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The City Clerk would respectfully report the first and final estimate in favor of S. W. and R. H. Patterson, for grading and graveling Smith street, from Indiana avenue to the first alley south of Maria street.

Respectfully submitted,
 JOHN R. CLINTON,
 City Clerk.

Which was received.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed S. W. and R. H. Patterson, for grading and graveling Smith street and sidewalks, from Indiana avenue to the first alley south of Maria street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Wiles and Woodburn—14.

Negative—None.

The City Treasurer presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The communication of James L. Dickenson in regard to the sale of lot 26, which was referred to the Finance Committee, is not exactly a correct statement of facts. Lot No. 26 in Rosetts 2d sub-division of out-lot 107, was taxed for the year 1867 in the name of Amos Manker, and became delinquent for the taxes of that year after the 3d Monday in March, 1868; the same lot was taxed for the year 1868 in the name of James L. Dickenson, and advertised and sold as lot 26, in out-lot 107, Rosetts 2d sub-division, for the taxes of 1867 and 1868 to Thomas H. Huggins.

The tax duplicates show no change or alteration from lot 26 to lot 28, (or any other alteration,) as stated by Mr. Dickenson, and any person able to read can find Mr. Dickenson name on the tax duplicate of 1868, charged with lot 26 in out-lot 107, for the taxes of 1867 and 1868. The tax certificate was made out as lot 28, and was indexed as such in the sale book, but as soon as the error was detected, the certificate as well as the sale book were changed from lot 28 to lot 26, and this seems to be the point Mr. Dickenson can't understand. The sale itself was correct, the lot was advertised and sold as lot 26.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. COONS,

City Treasurer.

Which was received.

The City Assessor presented the following :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—I hereby appoint, and ask your honorable body to confirm the appointment of H. P. Randall, W. H. Philips, and J. E.

Hall, as Deputy City Assessors, for the year 1872, whom I have employed at the rate of \$2.50 per day.

I also ask that you confirm the appointments of David W. Brouse, Township Assessor elect, and his deputies Nelson Hass, Andrew Brouse, H. J. Craft, S. W. Patton, C. W. Tutewiler, and Geo. W. Staub, as Deputy City Assessors, so as to legalize their assessments for city purposes. The Township Assessor and his Deputies not to be paid by the city.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HADLEY,

City Assessor.

Which was received and appointments confirmed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsce, Reagan, Thalmnn, Thoms, Weaver, Wiles and Woodburn—14.

Negative—None.

The City Attorney made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Special Ordinance No. 67, entitled, "an Ordinance to appropriate certain real estate for the purpose of an alley," was referred to me at your last meeting. I have examined it, and report that in case you adopt and approve the two reports of the City Commissioners on that subject, made at your meeting on the 11th day of December, 1871, the Ordinance ought to pass.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,

City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

On motion, by Mr. Wiles, the rules were suspended, and General Ordinance No. 67, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance to appropriate certain real estate for the purpose of an alley.

Was read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Wiles and Woodburn—14.

Negative—None.

On motion, by Mr. Wiles, the reports of the City Commissioners made to Council December 11, 1871, in regard to opening alleys through part of out-lot 181, in the city of Indianapolis, were called up, approved, and concurred in.

By consent Mr. Cottrell offered the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, It appears to the satisfaction of Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, that the following named and described lots of land adjoining said city have been laid off and platted, and a record of the same has been made in the Recorder's office, in the county of Marion, and State of Indiana, to-wit:

Out-lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, in the donation lands west of White River, as sub-divided and laid off by the Agent of State for the town of Indianapolis, together with all the sub-divisions of said out-lots subsequently made, said out-lots and the several sub-divisions thereof being included in the following boundaries. Beginning on the south line of section 3, (west of

White River) in township 15, north of range 3 east, at a point 6.18 chains east of the southwest corner of said section 3, thence north and parallel to the west line of said section about 40.05 chains to the north line of the southwest quarter of said section 3, at a point 6.18 chains east of the northwest corner of said quarter section, thence east on the north line of said quarter section to its intersection with low water mark in White River, thence southeast along said low water mark to its intersection with the south line of section 2, township 15, north of range 3 east, thence west on the south line of said sections 2 and 3 to the place of beginning.

AND WHEREAS, In pursuance of the 84th section of the City Charter, the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis desires to extend the corporate limits of said city over said additions; therefore

Resolved, That the foregoing named and described lots of land be and they are hereby annexed to the city of Indianapolis; and the boundary of said city is hereby extended so as to include said additions, which shall hereafter form a part of said city, and be within the jurisdiction of the same.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Heckman, Kennington, Marsee, Thalman, Weaver and Wiles—9.

Negative—Councilmen Craft, Locke, Reagan, Thoms and Woodburn—5.

Mr. Thoms presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, your petitioner, would respectfully represent to your honorable body, that he is the owner of the east half of lot 7, and 10 feet of the south side of the east half of lot 8, in

square 40, in the city of Indianapolis, and that the said property is used for school purposes, and that the same has been assessed for taxation for the year 1871, and he now asks your honorable body to take such action in the premises as will relieve the said property from the said assessment, and your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

AUGUST MULLER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance and City Assessor.

Mr. Wiles offered the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, It appears to the satisfaction of the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, that the following named and described lots of land adjoining said city have been laid off and platted, and a record of the same has been made in the Recorder's office, in the county of Marion, State of Indiana, viz :

Jeremiah Foote's addition to the city of Indianapolis, being the northwest corner of the west half of northwest quarter section 13, township 15, range 3 east, lying immediately north of Palmer's addition, between the Madison and Indianapolis railroad and the old Madison road, sub-divided into 15 lots, as further shown and described in platt book No. 2, page 4, records of Marion county, Indiana.

John Cavens addition, embracing lots 15, 16, 17 and 18, contiguous to and made a part of Cavens sub-division of the northwest part of out-lot 150.

Also, the lots and parts of lot lying west of the old corporation line, in Patterson, Ray and Fletchers addition.

AND WHEREAS, In pursuance of the 84th section of the city Charter, the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis desires to extend the corporate limits of said city over said addition; therefore

Resolved, That the foregoing named and described lots of land be and they are hereby annexed to the city of Indianapolis, and the boundry of said city is hereby extended so as to include said additions, which shall hereafter form a part of said city, and be within the jurisdiction of the same.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bigham, Brown, Cottrell, Craft, Heckman, Kennington, Locke, Marsee, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Wiles and Woodburn—13.

Negative—Reagan—1.

Mr. Marsee, from the Committee on Fire Department, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26, 1871.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Fire Department, would respectfully report that Messrs. Gamewell & Co., have completed their contract for the erection of their Automatic Fire Alarm Telegraph, and after a thorough trial your Committee accepted the same, and here-with submit an Ordinance providing for the payment of the amount due them, and recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MARSEE,
ROBERT KENNINGTON,
W. W. WEAVER,

Committee on Fire Department.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Marsee introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 68, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance appropriating money to pay for the erection and construction of a Fire Alarm Telegraph, in the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Marsee introduced General Ordinance No. 70, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of bonds to pay for the erection of a Fire Alarm Telegraph, in the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

On motion the Committee on Benevolence and City Hospital, with the Board of Health and his Honor the Mayor, were instructed to prepare and report a health Ordinance,

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

General Ordinance No. 49, 1871, entitled :

An Ordinance in reference to the sealing of weights and measures in the city of Indianapolis.

Was read the second time and referred back to the Special Committee, consisting of Councilmen Brown, Newman, Big-ham, Craft and Locke, with instructions to report a new Ordinance.

On motion the Council adjourned until Tuesday January 2d, 1872, 7 o'clock, P. M.

DANIEL MACAULEY,

Mayor.

ATTEST :

JOHN R. CLINTON,

City Clerk.