

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—FEBRUARY 14, 1887.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, February 14th, A. D. 1887, at 7:30 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 sessions held January 24th, 1887, 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 special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Common Council, in a regular session held in the Council Chamber Monday evening, February 7th, 1887, adhered to its former action in adopting the following motion:

“That the Chief of the Fire Department be instructed to look after those firemen who cut hair for five cents, and make boots while on duty, and take steps to stop them on all persons over the age of fourteen years, for a less price than that charged by the parties in the regular trade.”

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

On motion by Alderman King, the Board of Aldermen adhered to their former action.

The following message was read:

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 February 7th, 1887.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report of His Honor, the Mayor, showing the amount of fines and fees collected in December, 1886, and January, 1887, (see pages 39 and 40, *ante*), was read and received.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, submitting plans of Viaduct and Tunnel, and requesting the appointment of a committee to inspect the same (see page 40, *ante*), was read and adopted.

The Chair appointed Aldermen Brown, Pritchard and Rail as the committee.

The monthly report of the City Clerk, showing orders drawn on the Treasurer during January, 1887, (see page 41, *ante*), was read and received.

The following report was read :

To the Mayor, Members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

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

S. W. & R. H. Patterson vs. Samuel Robinson, for.....	\$10 32
S. W. & R. H. Patterson vs. Mary S. Robinson; for.....	10 32
Richter & Twiname vs. Mary A. King, for.....	40 95
Richter & Twiname vs. Frank L. Gresard, for.....	42 70
Richter & Twiname vs. Frank L. Gresard, for.....	42 70
Richter & Twiname vs. Oliver Smith, for.....	42 70
Richter & Twiname vs. Mary E. Fitch, for.....	42 70
Richter & Twiname vs. Wm. H. Gray, for.....	42 70
Richter & Twiname vs. Wm. H. Gray, for.....	42 70
D. A. Haywood vs. Roswell S. Hill, for.....	10 45
D. A. Haywood vs. Roswell S. Hill, for.....	78 10
D. A. Haywood vs. Roswell S. Hill, for.....	8 80

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

And the precept was ordered to issue, by the following vote :

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

NAYS—None.

The report of the City Attorney (see page 42, *ante*), was read and received.

The communication from A. W. Johnson, Superintendent of the Citizens' Street Railway, relative to street railway on south Meridian street, (see page 42, *ante*), was read and received.

The report of the Treasurer for the City, showing receipts and disbursements for January, 1887, (see page 42, *ante*), was read and received.

The report of the City Rental Agent, showing receipts for rent for the month of January, 1887, was read and received.

The report of the Superintendent of the City Hospital for the month of January, 1887, was read and received.

The report of the Superintendent of the City Dispensary for January, 1887, was read and received.

The following report of the Board of Public Improvements, favorably passed upon by the Common Council (see page 43, *ante*), was read and concurred in :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—We would most respectfully ask an extension of time until May 31, 1887, in which to complete our contracts for improving Ketcham street, and grading and graveling the first alley south of Merrill street, from Ketcham street to the first alley east of Alabama street. We were unable to finish the work before the ground froze up.

GEORGE W. SEIBERT,
For Fulmer & Seibert.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of January, 1887.

[Seal.]

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

Recommend the time be extended.

C. H. Stuckmeyer,
R. McClelland,
Board of Public Improvements.

The following report of the Board of Public Improvements, favorably passed upon by the Common Council (see pages 43 and 44, *ante*), was read :

To the Board of Public Improvements:

Gentlemen:—I respectfully request an extension of time until June 30, 1887, for the completion of the following contracts: Dunlap street sidewalks, between East street and Madison avenue; Delaware street sidewalks, from Eighth street to the second alley north of Eighth street; South sidewalk of Vermont street, between Indiana avenue and Ellsworth street, for the reason that I was unable to procure material and complete the work before the commencement of winter.

J. L. SPAULDING.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this ...th day of January, 1887.

[Seal.]

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

Recommend the time be extended.

Chas. H. Stuckmeyer,
R. McClelland,
Board of Public Improvements.

Alderman Prier moved to strike out the words "June 30th," and insert in lieu thereof the words "May 30th."

Which motion was adopted, and the report was then adopted.

The following reports of the Board of Public Improvements, favorably passed upon by the Common Council (see page 44, *ante*), were read and concurred in :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—We would most respectfully ask an extension of time until May 31, 1887, in which to complete our contract for curbing and paving the north sidewalk

of Georgia street, from Mississippi street to Missouri street. We were not able to get the necessary materials in time to do the work before the ground froze up.

RICHTER & TWINAME.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 25th day of January, 1887.

[Seal.]

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

We recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the time be extended.

C. H. Stuckmeyer,
R. McClelland,

Board of Public Improvements.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We would most respectfully petition your honorable bodies for an extension of time to May 31, 1887, in which to complete our contract for improving St. Clair street, from Massachusetts avenue to the railroad. We were unable to finish the work before the ground froze up. We hope to complete the work as soon as possible.

J. W. COOPER,

For J. W. Cooper & Co.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of January, 1887.

[Seal.]

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

We recommend the time be extended.

Charles H. Stuckmeyer,
R. McClelland,

Board of Public Improvements.

The following report of the Committee on Markets (see page 46, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Public Light:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred G. O. No. 1, 1887, providing for certain changes of tracks of the Citizens' Street Railway Company, and a transfer of certain rights, beg leave to report we have carefully examined the same, and recommend the ordinance do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

C. McGroarty,

Joseph H. Howes,
Committee on Markets.

The following report and resolution from the Board of City Commissioners, adopted by the Common Council (see pages 44 and 45, *ante*), was read:

Report of the Board of City Commissioners in the matter of opening to a regular width of "ten feet" the first alley north of South street, between the first alley east of East street and the first alley west of Noble street.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, members of the Board of City Commissioners of said city, duly appointed, sworn and qualified, and acting under and in pursuance of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana in relation to laying out, opening, widening, altering and vacation of streets and alleys, approved March 17th, 1875, and acts amendatory thereto, do report:

1st. That in pursuance of a notice of the City Clerk (herewith filed as a part hereof, marked exhibit A.) they met in Room 2, of the City Clerk's office, on the 29th day of November, 1886.

2d. That they did, at that time and place, enter upon the consideration of opening, to a width of ten feet, the alley above described, and more clearly shown by the petition and accompanying plat herewith filed and marked exhibit "B;" and that they did, on the 29th day of November, 1886, meet on the ground and examined the property proposed to be taken for said alley, and also the contiguous prop-

erty, and the property in the neighborhood, with a view of ascertaining what property would be benefited and what property would be damaged, and did then file with the City Clerk their report, giving the names of interested property holders, which report instructed the Clerk to have the proper notices to issue to each property owner along the line of said alley, to meet the City Commissioners in Room 2, of the City Clerk's office, on Monday, the 24th day of January, 1887, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Said report is filed herewith as a part hereof, and marked exhibit "C."

3d. That they did meet on said 24th day of January, 1887, at the place designated, (a full Board being present), and all the interested parties having been notified, and no objection made to the establishing an alley ten feet wide; whereupon the Commissioners were agreed in opening said alley and locating it 140½ feet north of South street, and parallel therewith, extending from the first alley east of East street to the first alley west of Noble street, and that the 7½ feet, more or less, reserved for an alley off of the north side of the south third of the west half of Out-lot 92, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the use of said public alley; and that three feet off of the south end of eighty-three feet west end of the middle third of the west half of Out-lot 92, be, and the same is hereby, dedicated to the public use of said alley, and that two feet, more or less, off of the south end of the west half of the middle third of Out-lot 92, lying north of the ten foot alley above described, be, and the same is hereby, vacated and attached to the adjoining property.

4th. And we now, on the 4th day of February, 1887, report that there is no damage to any property on account of establishing and locating said alley, except the cost in this proceeding, which is to be paid by the property holders along the line of said alley.

5th. The city is to pay no part of the expense, nor any damage on account of locating and establishing said alley.

6th. The alley is 517 feet long and 10 feet wide, and extends from the first alley east of East street to the first alley west of Noble street.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. F. Stegg,
Wm. Hadley,
Joseph T. Magner,
Wm. Johnson,
James Renihan,
City Commissioners.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the report of the Board of City Commissioners in the matter of opening to a regular width of ten (10) feet, the first alley north of South street, between the first alley east of East street and the first alley west of Noble street, as specifically described in said Commissioners' report, be, and the same is hereby, in all things accepted, adopted and approved; and that in accordance with said report, the territory specifically described in said report, to-wit: A strip of ground ten (10) feet wide located 140½ feet north of South street, and parallel therewith, extending from the first alley east of East street to the first alley west of Noble street, be, and the same is hereby appropriated: *Provided,* That before said alley is opened to the public, the expenses of the City Commissioners herein, shall be paid by the petitioners; *and provided, further,* That the petitioners also be, and they are hereby, required to procure and have recorded in the office of the Recorder of Marion county, Indiana, the proper certified copies of proceedings and plat, as required by law, all at their own expense.

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 of the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, showing expenses of Street Repair Department for the month of January, 1887, (see page 43, *ante*), was read and received.

The following report from the Building Committee (see page 52, *ante*), was read:

Indianapolis, Feb. 7th, 1887.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen.—The undersigned, Building Committee, having advertised for proposals for the erection of stalls for the market under Tomlinson Hall, received seven (7) sealed bids, which were opened on the 29th of January, and showed the following figures, viz:

L. F. Burtin.....	\$7,994 00
Nunge & Reinking.....	4,331 00
Kattan.....	3,871 50
John A. D. Mueller.....	3,850 00
Salisbury & Stanley.....	3,300 00
Jungelaus & Schumacher.....	2,998 50
C. & S. C. Eden.....	2,831 00

The bid of C. & S. C. Eden is the lowest, and they offer George W. Moore and Josiah B. Dill as bondsmen. We therefore recommend that the proposal of the said C. & S. C. Eden be accepted, and the contract awarded to them at \$2,831.00.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. Denny, Mayor,
Thomas E. Endly,
John R. Pearson,
Joseph H. Howes,
Isaac King,
Building Committee.

The report was concurred in, and the contract awarded.

The following resolution, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, (see page 61, *ante*), was read:

WHEREAS, The Treasurer's report shows that there is no money to the credit of the city to meet present appropriations, it will be necessary to borrow the amount for thirty or sixty days; therefore

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be authorized to arrange with the Treasurer to furnish what money may be needed, at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent, and time not longer than sixty days.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS—None.

The following reports of the Committee on Streets and Alleys (see page 50, *ante*), were read and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the following motion: "That Peter Gall be permitted to build a driveway over the gravel sidewalk at his coal yard entrance on Fifth street, between Illinois street and

the first alley west thereof, and at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer," recommend said motion be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Webster, Mary Webster and others, praying for the vacation of the alley running north and south between Lots Nos. 10 and 11, and Lots Nos. 27 and 28, in Coffman's subdivision of Out-lot No. 101, said alley running from Stevens street north to Merrill street, in this city, report that we recommend the prayer of the petition be granted: *Provided, however*, That before said petition be referred to the City Commissioners, said petitioners shall file a bond with the City Clerk to the approval of the Mayor, guaranteeing the payment of all costs and charges of said Commissioners, as well as all money paid by the city for the improvement of said alley between Merrill and Stevens streets, including the grading and paving of the sidewalk on Stevens street, and the gas post on said Stevens street.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The report of the Committee on Water, on the resolution adopted by the Common Council (see page 51, *ante*), was read. The report was concurred in, and the resolution 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 following motion (see page 58, *ante*), was read, and on motion by Alderman Rail, was referred to the Special Fire Committee of the Common Council:

That the Chief Fire Engineer be requested to allow the firemen who wish to buy their uniforms (outside) of who ever they please, so long as they conform to the regulations and rules.

The following motions (see pages 59, 60 and 61, *ante*), were read and adopted:

That Mr. Robert Kennington be, and is hereby, allowed to pave and bowlder the gutter in front of his property on Bicking street, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at his own expense.

That Mr. Redforen be, and is hereby, allowed to brick the sidewalks in front of his property on Bicking street, under the instructions of the City Civil Engineer, at his own expense.

Resolved, That the occupancy of the present Dispensary building be abandoned, and that the Dispensary property be sold, and that other and suitable, comfortable and commodious property be rented for Dispensary purposes; and that the Dispensary Board be, and they are hereby, authorized to negotiate for suitable property to be occupied by the City Dispensary, and report bids therefor for approval by this City Council.

That the Gas Company be requested to make a proposition at what cost they would light the lamp on the Fountain at the end of Virginia avenue.

That D. V. Burns be authorized to put in stone curbing in front of his property on north New Jersey street, at his own expense; and the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes therefor.

That the Park Policeman be directed to put up a wire protection on the railing in Circle Park in front of English and Circle Park hotels, to prevent persons from making paths and destroying the grass of said park.

The following motion (see page 62, *ante*), was read, and referred to the City Attorney:

Moved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the fifty foot space through the south half of Square 43, from Wabash street to Market street, between Tomlinson Hall and the Market House, be hereafter known and designated as "Tomlinson Court:" Provided, That by this action, the City of Indianapolis does not assume to dedicate said strip of ground to the public as a permanent street, the same having been originally set apart by the State for market purposes.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the Rules.

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

Ap. O. 5, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$3,420.95.]

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 first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 6, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,782.22.]

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 first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 7, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$10,545.90.]

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 first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 8, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$234.83.]

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 first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 9, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$223.75.]

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 first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 10, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the compensations of the officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments, the Committee Clerk, City Janitor, Assistant City Janitor, Tomlinson Hall Janitor, Tomlinson Hall Assistant Janitor, and Market Masters of the East and West Markets. [Amount appropriated, \$10,454.33.]

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.

Alderman Rail called up for reconsideration the vote by which the action of the Common Council on adopting the following resolution was *non-concurred* in at the last meeting. (See page 31, *ante*.)

Resolved, That the action of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen heretofore taken ordering the Citizens' Street Railway Company to construct a line of street railroad on north Mississippi street, be, and the same is hereby, in all things rescinded; and the City Clerk shall be, and he is hereby, instructed to notify, in writing, said railway company of this action.

SIG. 9.

There was no further action taken on the foregoing resolution, it being the sense of the Board of Aldermen that inasmuch as the President of the Citizens' Street Railway had given the Common Council and Board of Aldermen official notice that the Citizens' Street Railway Company had arranged and were prepared to build a line of street railway on south Meridian street, no action by the Board of Aldermen was deemed necessary.

The following report of the Special Committee on plans of Viaduct and Tunnel, was read and adopted :

Indianapolis, February 14, 1887.

To the President and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on plans of viaduct and tunnel, have examined the same, and recommend the same be approved and adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Jas A. Pritchard,
M. L. Brown,
John Rail,
Special Committee.

On motion the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.