

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—OCTOBER 24, 1887.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, October 24th, 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 Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright—8.

ABSENT, 2—viz: Alderman Brown, and Prier.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session, held October 10th, 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.

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 a regular session, held Monday evening, October 3d, 1887.

For the Common Council:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Acting City Clerk.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds (see page 686, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The report from the Acting City Clerk, showing the amount of orders drawn upon the City Treasury during the month of September, 1887, (see page 687, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Chief Fire Engineer, on the location of fire-plugs (see page 689, *ante*), was read and received.

The third quarterly report from the Chief Fire Engineer, showing cash receipts and disbursements from January 1st to October 1st, 1887, (see pages 689 and 690, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Rental Agent for the month of September, 1887, (see page 690, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, showing expense of Street Repair Department for the month of September, 1887, (see pages 690 and 691, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Committee on Streets & Alleys, City Attorney and City Civil Engineer, on the petition of The Indianapolis Union Railway Company relative to the laying of a drain pipe and pavements (see page 691, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following motions (see pages 695 and 696, *ante*), were read, and concurrently adopted :

That John G. Pendergast be granted the privilege of re-laying his sidewalk with brick in front of his property, No 413 north Tennessee street, at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That Charles Millard and others, be, and are hereby, granted permission to lay a twelve inch sewer pipe in and along St. Mary street, from Delaware street to the first alley east of Delaware street; thence in and along said alley north to and connecting with the Second street sewer. Work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. Co. be notified by the Street Commissioner to at once remove the trestle bent from Geisendorff street.

That Philip Reichwein be, and is hereby, granted permission to lay a twelve inch sewer pipe in and along Noble street, from the first alley south of Market street to and connecting with the Pogue's Run branch of Washington street sewer. Work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

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 a regular session, held Monday evening, October 17th, 1887.

For the Common Council:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Acting City Clerk.

The report from His Honor, the Mayor, showing the amount of fines and fees collected during the month of September, 1887, (see page 703, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see page 704, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 704, *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 R. P. Dunning, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of New Jersey street, from Washington street to Michigan 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, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 704, *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 graveling the first alley west of Blake street, from Michigan street to North 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, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 705, *ante*), was read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimates in behalf of Haywood & Co., for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Columbia avenue, from Malott avenue to Seventh 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, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The report from the City Attorney on the proposition of I. L. Bloomer (see page 705, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from the City Attorney, relative to the suit of Samuel W. Patterson vs. The City (see page 705, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Acting City Clerk, submitting the official bond of John W. Bowlus, City Clerk elect, (see page 706, *ante*), was read, and the bond approved.

The following report from the Acting City Clerk (see page 706, *ante*), was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

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| Richter & Twiname vs. John Schultz, for..... | \$27 55 |
| Richter & Twiname vs. Julia L. Gordon, for..... | 15 60 |
| Henry Clay vs. Frank McWhinney, for..... | 21 20 |

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. FANNING,
Acting City Clerk.

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, (see page 706, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

The report of the Chief Fire Engineer, on the location of fire-plugs (see page 706, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, on the petition of G. R. Root and others, asking for the vacation of the first alley south of Eighth street, extending from Meridian street to Illinois street (see page 707, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, and City Attorney.

The report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, on the petition and plats of W. F. Born, on the proposed subdivision of Lots 11 to 20, inclusive, in Terry & Robinson's subdivision of Out lot 127, (see pages 707 and 708, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, and City Attorney.

The following motions (see page 710, *ante*), were read, and referred to the Committee on Public Light :

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, instructed to remove one of the vapor lamps on Michigan street, between Liberty and Noble streets, and place the same on Leon street, at the first alley north of Michigan street.

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to move the lamp on Vermont street, between Alabama and New Jersey streets, to the corner of Vermont and Budd streets.

The following motion (see page 711, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Water & Public Health :

That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, ordered to remove the water plug near the corner of the first alley south of Georgia street, east side of Meridian street, to the corner of said alley. The same to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

The following motions (see pages 709, 710, 711 and 712, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted :

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters and fill with gravel the chuck-holes on Bloomington street, from Washington street to Beacon street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to haul the dirt that accumulates about the market, after it has been scraped up in heaps by the Market Mas er, at least every other day.

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to order stone crossings across Delaware street at the west end of Bicking street, and East street at the east end of Bicking street.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to clean the gutters on Spann avenue, from Dillon street to Spruce street.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to clean the gutters on Olive street, from Prospect street to Pleasant Run.

That Geo. Mannfield be granted the privilege of laying a brick sidewalk along his property on Walnut street, and the City Civil Engineer set the stakes for the same.

That the City Civil Engineer correct the numbers on the west side of New Jersey street, between Walnut and Gregg streets.

That R. Wigington and others. be granted permission to curb and bowlder the gutter in front of their property on Elm and Pine streets, at their own expense, and that the City Civil Engineer set the grade stakes.

That the Committee on Printing of the Common Council be, and they are hereby, authorized to make a contract for preparing an Index for the Proceedings of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen for the year 1887.

That Mr. A. B. Gates be permitted to lay a stone crossing across Wabash street in front of 126 of said street ; to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

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

- G. O. 33, 1887—An ordinance granting to the Indianapolis Writing Telegraph Company the right to use the streets and alleys in the City of Indianapolis for the purpose of erecting, maintaining and operating writing telegraph lines.
- S. O. 163, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Woodlawn avenue, from Spruce street to Reid street.
- S. O. 166, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Meridian street, from Fifth street to the first alley north of Fifth street.
- S. O. 10, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Sullivan street, from McCarty street to Buchanan street.
- S. O. 15, 1887—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Summit street, between Washington street and the C., St. L. & P. R. R. tracks.
- S. O. 47, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Kennington street and sidewalks, from Yeiser street to the first alley north of Yeiser street.
- S. O. 107, 1887—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on the north side of Washington street, between the I., D. & S. Railway tracks and Belmont avenue.
- S. O. 112, 1887—An ordinance to provide for the erection of one lamp-post, lamp and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on St. Clair street, between Mississippi and Tennessee streets.

- S. O. 114, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Lincoln avenue, between Ash street and Bellefontaine avenue.
- S. O. 115, 1887—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Talbott avenue, between Seventh and Ninth streets.
- S. O. 116, 1887—An ordinance to provide for the erection of one lamp-post, lamp and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Broadway street, between Seventh street and Lincoln avenue.
- S. O. 118, 1887—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on New Jersey street, between Seventh street and the first alley south of the State Ditch.
- S. O. 121, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of Home avenue, and widening the sidewalks thereof, from College avenue to Bellefontaine avenue.
- S. O. 122, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Oriental street, from Williams street to the first alley north of Williams street.
- S. O. 123, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Michigan street, from East street to Delaware street.
- S. O. 133, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Central avenue, from Seventh street to the State Ditch.
- S. O. 134, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Central avenue, from Tenth street to Eleventh street.
- S. O. 135, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Bates street, from Leota street to the first alley east of Leota street.
- S. O. 136, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Leota street, from Bates street to the C., H. & I. R. R. tracks.
- S. O. 137, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling West street and sidewalks, from Morris street to Kansas street.
- S. O. 138, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the roadway and sidewalks, and grading the Parks and Lawns of Hendricks street, from Nebraska street to Lincoln Lane.
- S. O. 139, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Reid street and sidewalks, from Prospect street to Willow street.
- S. O. 140, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Lincoln Lane (or Texas street) and sidewalks, from East street to the east line of Moore's addition.
- S. O. 141, 1887—An ordinance to provide for curbing with stone the west sidewalk of New Jersey street, from North street to Walnut street.

On motion by Alderman Wright, G. O. 33, 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Ordinances, City Attorney and City Civil Engineer.

On motion by Alderman King, S. O's. 15, 114, 115, 116 and 118, of 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, were referred to the Committee on Public Light & Education.

On motion by Alderman Schmidt, S. O. 138, 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, was referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage.

Alderman King moved a suspension of the Rules for the purpose of placing S. O's. 163 and 166, of 1886, and S. O's. 10, 47, 107, 112, 121, 122, 123, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 139, 140 and 141, of 1887, of the foregoing entitled ordinances, on their final passage.

Which motion was adopted, and the Rules suspended by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 163, 1886, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 166, 1886, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 10, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 47, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 107, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 112, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 121, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 122, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 123, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 6—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 133, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 134, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 3—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 135, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 136, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 137, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 139, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 140, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 141, 1887, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred sundry papers, report thereon as follows, to-wit:

1st. Is the petition of William H. English, asking the refunding of certain taxes paid by him on Lots one to one hundred inclusive, in King's subdivision of Bryant's addition to the City of Indianapolis, east of Woodruff Place. These taxes were paid under the supposition that said lots were within the corporate limits of the city. The property was never legally annexed to the city. All taxes in said addition have heretofore been refunded, except to one person, who has never asked for it. The amount paid is \$1,106 71, exclusive of interest. Mr. English filed his petition in 1884. We recommend the sum of \$1,106.71 be refunded, without interest, on condition the same be accepted in full of all demands against the city by Mr. English on account of said taxes.

2d. Is the petitions of Byrum, Cornelius & Co., and Murphy, Hibben & Co., asking payment of damages by water, said to be caused by a defect in the city sewer in Georgia street, at the crossing of Meridian street.

We recommend these damages against the city be compromised, and further recommend that the same be referred to the City Attorney, with power to act, and to report his settlement to the Council and Board for confirmation.

Respectfully submitted,

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

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Rail offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Special Committee on Natural Gas, appointed by the President of the Board of Aldermen, shall consist of three members, and that Alderman Schmidt be appointed as the third member.

Alderman Wright offered the following motions ; which were adopted :

That Lorenz Schmidt be granted permission to lay a six-inch sewer pipe, at his own expense, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer, from his premises, Nos. 257 and 259 Massachusetts avenue and in the alley along the north side of said premises, and connecting with the Massachusetts avenue sewer.

That R. R. Shiel have permission to lay gas mains in front of his premises, No. 541 north Meridian street, at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, and ordered stricken from the files :

G. O. 26, 1887—An ordinance requiring the Chicago, St. Louis & Pittsburg Railroad Company, and the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad Company to maintain a Flagman at the crossing of their tracks and Dillon street.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads & Public Charities :

G. O. 32, 1887—An ordinance authorizing the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. to lay a switch track across First street.

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

S. O. 108, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Pennsylvania street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

On motion by Alderman Pritchard, the action of the Board of March 28, 1887, in amending the following entitled ordinance, was reconsidered, and the ordinance read the third time :

S. O. 39, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Biddle street, from Pine street to the C., C., C. & I. R. R. tracks.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 119, 1887—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of South street, from New Jersey street to East street, where not already properly done.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 125, 1887—An ordinance to repeal Special Ordinance No. 102, 1884, being an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for grading and graveling the roadway of Bloyd street, from Greenbrier Lane to Fountain street;" ordained and established March 23d, 1885.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: SAM. V. PERROTT, Clerk.