

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Monday, March 3, 1873, 7 o'clock, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

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

Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson,
Gimber, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thal-
man, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Absent—Councilmen Hardesty and Reagan—2.

Mr. Sherwood, from the Committee on Contracts, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals for placing the names of streets on corner lamp posts and buildings, report as follows :

H. Wellman, jr., for furnishing and placing tin signs on the corners of sts., at 14 cents a piece.

J. B. Moore, for placing on the lamp-posts, on corners of streets, strips of glass in tin frames, as per sample, for the sum of 30 cents per strip.

Your committee have carefully considered the matter and would respectfully report that in their judgment Mr. Wellman, jr. is the lowest and best bidder, and would recommend that he be awarded the contract for painting the names of streets on tin strips and fasten the same on buildings on all the corners of streets in the city, where there are no corner lamps.

And we would further recommend that City Clerk be directed to readvertise for proposals for painting the names of the streets on the globes of the lamps on corner lamps, where there are corner lamps.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Q. SHERWOOD,
ISAAC THALMAN,
H. S. BIGHAM,
Committee on Contracts.

Which was concurred in.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby report an estimate to D. Root & Co. for the erection of lamp-posts on Illinois street, between McCarty and Ray streets.

One corner post at the corner of Ray and Illinois streets, at.....	\$29 50
Six intermediate posts between McCarty and Ray streets, at \$28.50	
per post.....	171 00
Total estimate.....	\$200 50

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report:

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK,
INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The City Clerk respectfully reports the first and final estimate allowed D Root & Co. for the erection of lamp-posts, &c., on Illinois street, between McCarty and Ray streets.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON, City Clerk.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of D. Root & Co. for erecting lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures complete to burn gas, except the service pipes, on Illinois street, between McCarty and Ray streets, 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 Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

The Board of Health submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Health submits the following mortality report for the week ending March 3, 1873:

Under 1 year.....	2
From 1 to 2 years	2
From 2 and 5 years	0
From 5 to 10 years.....	1
From 10 to 15 years.....	0

From 15 to 20 years.....	1
From 20 to 25 years.....	1
From 25 to 30 years.....	4
From 30 to 40 years.....	2
From 40 to 50 years.....	2
From 50 to 60 years.....	0
From 60 to 70 years.....	0
From 70 to 80 years.....	1
From 80 to 90 years.....	0
From 90 to 100 years.....	0
100 and upwards.....	0
Unknown.....	0
Total.....	16

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. COMINGOR, M. D., Pres't.

W. WANDS, M. D., Secretary.

Which was received.

The Street Commissioner submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 1, 1873.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to report the following work done in the street repairing department since January 1, 1873:

FIRST WARD.

Repaired the sidewalks on North and Davidson, and on Noble and Michigan streets.....	\$45 00
Repaired the street about the cistern on Davidson and Vermont sts.....	3 00
Repaired the culvert on New York and Davidson streets.....	14 00
Repaired the culvert on Massachusetts avenue and New Jersey st.....	11 00
Filled up an old well on Michigan street between New Jersey and East streets.....	5 00
Total.....	\$98 00

SECOND WARD.

Put four foot bridges and made cinder foot crossings on New Jersey and St. Mary's street; also four on Park avenue and Butler street, and eighteen on Bellefontaine, Ash, College avenue and Forest Home avenue.....	\$130 00
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Repaired the sidewalk on St. Clair street and Park avenue.....	\$20 00
Cleaned Delaware street two squares.....	30 00
Repaired the foot crossings on Christian and Fort Wayne avenues..	20 00
Total	\$200 00

THIRD WARD.

Cleaned Washington street two squares, Illinois street one square, and Meridian street one square....	\$40 00
Repaired the foot crossings on Illinois, Tennessee and Mississippi streets, and repaired St. Joseph street near Meridian street.....	90 00
Cleaned the gutters of ice and snow on Washington, Meridian and Illinois streets..	20 00
Repaired the culvert on Tennessee and Market streets.....	8 00
Total....	\$158 00

FOURTH WARD.

Repaired the foot crossings on Indiana avenue and Mississippi st...	\$15 00
Put down on North, Elizabeth, Minerva, Locke and Harrison streets foot bridges to the number of twenty-two.....	110 00
Repaired the culvert on Blake street	7 00
Repaired the culverts on New York and on Ohio and Mississippi sts	5 00
Total....	\$147 00

FIFTH WARD.

Repaired the sidewalks on Tennessee and McCarty streets, also on Illinois street.....	\$25 00
Raised the sidewalk on Illinois street on the west side of the Tunnel....	20 00
Cleaned Illinois street three squares	30 00
Repaired the culvert on Tennessee and Georgia street.....	18 00
Total....	\$93 00

SIXTH WARD.

Cleaned the ice and suow from the gutters on Washington and Meridian streets.....	\$25 00
Cleaned Illinois street three squares	30 00
Repaired the sidewalk crossings on Pennsylvania, Delaware, South and Merrill streets; also repaved the sidewalks on Merrill street, between Madison avenue and Delaware street, on McCarty street, between Bluff Road and Delaware street.....	70 00
Repaired the culvert on Meridian and Maryland streets.....	9 00
Total.....	\$134 00

SEVENTH WARD.

Cleaned East street six squares.....	\$80 00
Repaired the sidewalk on Tinker street, also on Merrill street.....	7 00
Repaired the foot crossings on Delaware, South, Merrill, McCarty and Alabama streets	28 00
Repaired the sidewalk on South and Alabama streets.....	16 00
Repaired the sidewalk on Cumberland street	7 00
Total.....	<u>\$168 00</u>

EIGHTH WARD.

Put down new foot bridges and made cinder foot crossings on Vir- ginia avenue, Greer, Dillon, Grove, Cedar, Elm; Pine, Lord, Harri- son, Benton, Noble and Huron streets and Forest avenue, to the number of thirty-seven.....	\$185 00
Repaired Fletcher avenue.....	24 00
Repaired sidewalk on Stevens street.....	9 00
Cleaned East street six squares.....	80 00
Total.....	<u>\$298 00</u>

NINTH WARD.

Cleaned Delaware street three squares and Washington street two squares	\$60 00
Cleaned the gutters of ice and snow on Washington and Pennsylva- nia streets	25 00
Rhepaired the culvert on Few Jersey and Ohio streets.....	9 00
Total... ..	<u>\$94 00</u>

BRIDGES.

Built a new bridge over the railroad tracks on Noble street.....	\$385 00
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RECAPITULATION BY WARDS,

Showing the amount on hand January 1, 1873, the amount expended since January 1, 1873, and the amount on hand at the present date:

WARDS, ETC.	Balance Jan. 1, 1873.	Deficit Jan. 1, 1873.	Expended since Jan. 1.	Balance.	Deficit.
First Ward.....	\$146 00		\$90 00	\$56 00	
Second Ward.....	72 00		200 00		\$128 00
Third Ward.....		\$114 00	158 00		272 00
Fourth Ward.....		53 00	147 00		200 00
Fifth Ward.....		14 00	93 00		107 00
Sixth Ward.....		37 00	104 00		141 00
Seventh Ward.....	178 00		168 00	10 00	
Eighth Ward.....	118 00		298 00		170 00
Ninth Ward.....		323 00	94 00		417 00
Bridge Fund.....		246 00	385 00		631 00
Sewer Fund.....		766 00			766 00
Miscellaneous Fund.....					
Total.....	\$613 00	\$1553 00	\$1637 00	\$66 00	\$2832 00

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRUNER, Street Commissioner.

Which was received.

Mr. Craft presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

The undersigned, property owners living and owning real estate on Dorman street, between St. Clair and Michigan streets in said city, respectfully ask that your honorable body will enact an ordinance directing that said Dorman street, between St. Clair and Michigan streets aforesaid, and the sidewalks of said Dorman street, be graded and graveled in the manner and under the conditions provided by law. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

George F. Miller, Catherine A. Miller, W. Dehne, J. Helm, Ernst Wahlmann, and 7 others.

Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Craft introduced special ordinance No. 22, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to grade and gravel Dorman street and sidewalks, between St. Clair and Michigan streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Batty introduced special ordinance No. 23, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to grade and pave with brick the north sidewalk of Forest Home avenue, between Park and College avenues.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Batty introduced special ordinance No. 24, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Forest Home avenue and sidewalks from Western avenue to College avenue, except the north sidewalk of Home avenue, between Park avenue and College avenue.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced special ordinance No. 25, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with bricks the south sidewalk of North street, between West and Blackford streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced special ordinance No. 26, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to grade and pave with brick the south sidewalk of Michigan street from Indiana avenue to Blackford street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Bigham introduced special ordinance No. 27, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade and gravel the alley running north and south from Ohio to Market streets, and between Highland and Winston streets, being in Mary E. Noble's subdivision of out-lot No. 61.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Kahn introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 9, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis for the month of February, 1873.

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Thalman introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 10, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims on account of Station House for the month of February, 1873.

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 11, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims on account of City Hospital for the month of February, 1873.

Which was read the first time.

On motion by Mr. Cottrell, the accounts of J. E. Watts for groceries, and Wm. Geisendonner for bread, was stricken from the ordinance and referred back to the Superintendent of the City Hospital.

The ordinance was then read the second time and ordered engrossed.

Mr. Batty introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 12, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims on account of Printing, Stationery, &c., for the month of February, 1873.

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Thalman introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 13, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance appropriating money for the use of the Street Commissioner.

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Rush introduced special ordinance No. 28, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with bricks the sidewalks of Liberty street from Market to Ohio street.

Which was read the first time.

The City Gas Inspector made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, March 1, 1873.

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

The following is a statement of the number of lamps lighted for the month of February, 1873, the number of hours lighted, quality of the gas furnished, &c.:

Number of street lamps.....	1714
Number of hours required to be lighted.....	132
Number of hours not burnt (and for which a deduction of \$9.74 has been made)	812

CANDLE POWER OF THE GAS.

February 1.	Candle power.....	18.20
" 2.	" "	18.20
" 3.	" "	18.00
" 4.	" "	18.10
" 5.	" "	16.40

February 6.	Candle power	.....	16.40
" 7.	" "	.....	18.10
" 8.	" "	.....	17.70
" 9.	" "	.....	17.50
" 10.	" "	.....	17.80
" 11.	" "	.....	17.50
" 12.	" "	.....	17.05
" 13.	" "	.....	18.00
" 14.	" "	.....	17.00
" 15.	" "	.....	17.40
" 16.	" "	.....	16.80
" 17.	" "	.....	16.10
" 18.	" "	.....	17.90
" 19.	" "	.....	16.43
" 20.	" "	.....	16.00
" 21.	" "	.....	15.85
" 22.	" "	.....	16.14
" 23.	" "	.....	17.90
" 24.	" "	.....	15.10
" 25.	" "	.....	16.10
" 26.	" "	.....	15.42
" 27.	" "	.....	16.22
" 28.	" "	.....	19.40

Average candle power for the month..... 17.10

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In view of the fact that the city will have to take charge of the lighting and extinguishing of the street lamps after the 1st of May next, it may be well to select a burner that will consume 5 instead of 4 cubic feet of gas per hour. The amount of consumption by the burner to be regulated by the City Gas Inspector. I can recommend for this purpose the London flat-flame Governor burner, made in London by Wm. Suggs. The governor in this burner is of metal and not liable to get out of order, and will ensure a uniform consumption of gas under all changes of pressure on the gas mains, and a steady flame.

With this burner the city may be sure of the best light possible from the gas furnished, and it will, in a measure, obviate the necessity of meters for street lamps.

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. COX, City Gas Inspector.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Light.

Mr. Gimber presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 2, 1873.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We, the undersigned, resident freeholders, respectfully petition your honorable body and pray for the creation of a new and additional Ward in the city of Indianapolis, by dividing the Fifth Ward of said city into two Wards, the proposed new Ward to embrace all that portion in said city now constituting said Fifth Ward, lying south of Merrill street. Your petitioners are residents of and have freehold within the limits of the proposed Ward. And we will ever pray, &c.

H. Gimber, C. Reitzel, L. Spitznagel, Fred. Beck, Henry Spakmann, and 29 others.

STATE OF INDIANA. }
COUNTY OF MATION. } SCT.

Henry Gimber, being duly sworn, upon oath says, that the annexed enumeration contains the names and the residents of the proposed Ward described in the annexed petition, and that said enumeration shows a population of nineteen hundred and eighty-one.

HENRY GIMBER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3d day of March, 1873.

DANIEL MACAULEY, Mayor.

Which was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Pressly presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on South Arsenal avenue, between Washington street and Michigan Road, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the vacation of said Arsenal avenue, between said street and said road. And your remonstrants will ever pray, &c.

Willis W. Wright, H. L. Kern, E. C. Strickler, J. W. McMillen, John L. Ketcham, and 5 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads and Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Kennington presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

The undersigned is now engaged in taking down the building corner of Washington and Meridian streets, and for the safety of passers, desires a permit to fence the sidewalk for a few days only while the upper stories are being taken down.

Respectfully,

WM. S. HUBBARD.

Which was received, and prayer of petitioner granted.

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 9, 1873 :

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Therman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 10, 1873 :

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Therman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 11, 1873 :

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Therman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 12, 1873:

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Therman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 13, 1872:

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Therman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

CALL OF THE ROLL OF MEMBERS

For the Presentation of New Business.

Mr. Batty offered the following motion:

Moved, That Wm. M. Thrasher be permitted to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property, corner of Park avenue and Home avenue, at his own expense, the work to be done under the supervision and direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the grade stakes. Said work to be done within 90 days.

Which was adopted.

Also the following motion:

Moved, That John Reichart be, and he is hereby, permitted to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on North East street, at his own expense, under the direction and supervision of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the grade stakes. Said work to be done within 90 days.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Batty offered the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The owners of real estate fronting on Brookside and South Brookside avenue have made up by private subscription the sum of forty-two thousand dollars to pay for laying a wooden block pavement on said avenue, from Clifford avenue, close to the end of Massachusetts avenue north east to intersect with Lebanon avenue in Fletcher's South Brookside Addition to the city : . And whereas the subscribers to said fund have received bids for the construction of said pavement, the lowest and best bid being made by J. J. Palmer to put down the Ballard pavement twenty-five feet wide at \$2.80 per foot, or \$2.02 per yard, on each side, including grading, and the subscriptions being only sufficient to pay for said pavement in front of the private property on said street, it is therefore

Resolved by the Council that the city will pay the said Palmer on the completion of said pavement the cost of the construction of the same at \$2.02 per yard or \$2.80 per lineal foot at each side, including grading, across all public streets and alleys within the present corporate limits of the city.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kennington, Pressly, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—13.

Negative—Councilmen Kahn and Rush—2.

Mr. Batty, from the Committee on Revision of Ordinances, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

Your committee, to whom was referred sundry ordinances, would respectfully report :

First. An ordinance to grade Arsenal avenue from Michigan to Campbell streets, on examination we find that the property on the east side of the street proposed to be improved is not in the city; we believe it inexpedient to pass the ordinance, and would recommend it be stricken from the files.

Second. An ordinance to grade and gravel and pave the sidewalks of Peru street from Massachusetts avenue to Home avenue, as everything seems

to be correct, and the improvement much needed, we would recommend its passage.

Most Respectfully submitted,

J. H. BATTY,
ROBERT KENNINGTON,
Com. on Rev. Ordinances.

Which was concurred in.

Special ordinance No. 155, 1872, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading Arsenal avenue from Michigan to Campbell streets.

Was taken up and stricken from the files.

Special ordinance No. 161, 1872, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Peru street and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, between Massachusetts avenue and Forest Home avenue.

Was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Craft, Gibson, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Therman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—None.

Mr. Bigham offered the following motion:

Moved, That V. Schaub have permission to move a frame house from Noble to Spring street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following motion:

Moved, That Jacob Millikan be granted permission to move a one-story house from the lumber yard, at or near East Georgia street, to one square north.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

GENTLEMEN :—Your petitioners show to your honorable body that they are the owners in fee of lots 14, 39 and 40, and also of lots 32, 33, 46 and 47, in Caven's subdivision of out-lots 107 and 108, in Indianapolis. That the lots aforesaid are the only lots which directly abut on the portions of the alleys hereinafter described, and which are asked to be vacated, and that petitioners are the only persons directly affected by the proposed vacation of said alleys or parts thereof.

You petitioners aver that the alley south of lots 14, 39 and 40 does not agree, so far as its width and north line are concerned, with the alley east of High street, and that it would agree better with said last named alley, be more easily improved, and be fully as convenient to the public if a part of its north side be vacated, leaving it still wide enough for all practical purposes.

Your petitioners also aver that so much of the alley in said subdivision as lies between lots 32 and 33, and 46 and 47 thereof, is of no use as at present located, and if vacated would enable your petitioners to so re-plat said ground that it would agree with the subdivisions to the east, and benefit said ground and add to its convenience and value.

Wherefore your petitioners pray your honorable body to order the vacation of so much of the alley in Caven's subdivision of out-lots 107 and 108 as lies between lots 32 and 33, and 46 and 47, and also to order the vacation of a strip twenty feet wide (adjoining to and of the length of each of lots 14, 39 and 40 in said subdivision) off the north side of the alley lying south of said lots 14, 39 and 40—said ground if vacated to belong to and be attached to the above named lots respectively. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Ignatius Brown, James Frank and Wm. A. Ketcham.

Which was referred the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special ordinance, No. 29, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Valley street and sidewalks from East street to the second alley east of East street,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to have the west side of the bridge over the railroad tracks on Delaware street sided up in a similar manner to the one on the east side of the bridge.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gibson presented the following :

SECRETARY'S OFFICE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, }
INDIANAPOLIS, February 27, 1873. }

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

The undersigned, a sub-committee appointed by the General Committee of the State Board of Agriculture, hereby inclose to your honorable body the accompanying resolutions this day adopted. As these resolutions look alone to increased facilities for reaching the Fair and Exposition grounds, through the city of Indianapolis, it is confidently hoped that the objects involved in this request will meet the favorable and prompt consideration of the city authorities.

Very respectfully,

JOHN SUTHERLAND,
THOMAS DOWLING,
ALEX. HERRON.

Resolved, That the City Council of Indianapolis be respectfully requested, to take such steps as will improve, open and declare as a public street, what is known as the Fort Wayne Road, this being one of the principal avenues pointing to the Fair and Exposition grounds, and is essential to its success.

Resolved, That said Council be informed that it is very desirable that Alabama, Delaware, Pennsylvania and other streets be improved as far north as the Fair grounds, before the time fixed for the holding of the Fair and Exposition.

Resolved, That the Council be requested to open a street or avenue, to be called Exposition avenue, which shall run west from the Fort Wayne Road along the outside of the Fair grounds, and thence west to Illinois or Henderson street, said avenue to be 100 feet wide through the Fair grounds, and not less than 60 feet wide the rest of the distance.

[A true copy.]

ALEX. HERRON, Secretary
Indiana State Board of Agriculture.

Which were referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and City Civil Engineer, with instructions for the City Civil Engineer to make a survey of Exposition avenue.

Mr. Gibson presented the following :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

Your petitioner would respectfully represent that there is a great error in the appraisement, clerical or otherwise, of the personal property charged to him on the books of the County Treasurer; that said amount, as it appears on the books, is \$885.00, while his personal property does not exceed \$200.00. He therefore prays that the Council may make such investigation of the matter as will relieve him from the mistake, so that the amount may be corrected. And your petitioner will ever pray.

AMOS H. LINTNER.

Which was referred to the City Assessor.

Mr. Gibson offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby, directed to report to this Council what further steps are necessary to condemn and get possession of by the city of all the turnpike roads within the city.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gibson, from the Special Committe, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the claim of John H. Pierce, Winslow S. Pierce, jr., Helen M. Pierce and Mary Pierce, heirs of Jane Pierce, deceased, represented by their guardian, Henry D. Pierce, respectfully report :

That they have examined the said matter, and they recommend that the said heirs, as owners of lots Nos. 33 and 34, in out-lot 27, taken by the city for the purpose of straightening Pogue's Run, should be paid thirty dollars per front foot for all of lot No. 34, and at the same rate for nine feet off of the south side of lot No 33, payment to be made upon the delivery of a clear and perfect conveyance of title of said real estate to the city.

Respectfully,

DAVID GIBSON,
C. E. WHITSIT,
JOHN T. PRESSLY.

Committee.

Which was concurred in, and the City Solicitor instructed to

prepare and report an ordinance appropriating the money to pay the damages.

Mr. Rush, from the Committee on Sewers, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred the construction of a sewer in Second street, from Meridian to Illinois street, to connect with the North Illinois street sewer, have examined the same, and would recommend the construction of a (3) three feet brick sewer in Secoud street from Meridian to Illinois street, with the requisite number of catch-basins and manholes. The cost of constructing said sewer to be assessed to the owner or owners of said Second street property at (\$1.50) one dollar and fifty cents per lineal foot on each side of said street. The materials to be of the best quality, and the work to be done in the best and most substantial manner, under the control of and supervision of the City Sewerage Engineer, to his satisfaction and in accordance with the specifications and plans furnished by said Engineer.

Also, would recommend that the Sewerage Engineer be instructed to have all the catch-basins cemented so they are water tight, and to have the work done as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

F. P. RUSH,
C. E. WHITSIT,
DAVID GIBSON.

Com. on Sewers.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

The undersigned, grocers and retail dealers of said city, feeling oppressed by the existing ordinance which requires the sealing of our weights and measures annually, at an exorbitant expense, would request your honorable body to amend said ordinance.

We believe that all weights and measures should be sealed, before using by a competent official, for which a reasonable fee should be paid ; but after the sealer has once stamped or branded such weights or measures the same no subsequent fee should be exacted for testing or examing the same, unless

shall have been changed or altered after the first sealing and found to be incorrect.

Whilst the retail dealer is amenable and liable to prosecution and fine under the general statutes of the State for using any false weight or measure, the general community being thus protected, it is just they should bear an equal burthkn by way of compensating the proper officer for his services; for this reason the city sealer should be a salaried officer and paid out of the general fund of the city.

By so amending said ordinance you will confer an obligation on the part of your humble but oppressed petitioners. And as in duty bound they will ever pray, &c.

Corbaley & Cossel, H. N. Goe, Markler & Co., Pföflin & Lentz, Ran & Bombarger, and 130 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Revision of Ordinances and City Solicitor.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Revision of Ordinances and City Solicitor be instructed to draft an ordinance making it the duty of some city official to take and keep in charge the city weights and measures, and make it his duty to seal all new weights and measures, and all weights and measures that he is called upon to seal, and making it unlawful to use or sell by any weights or measures that have not been sealed by said official.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell called up general ordinance No. 6, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance authorizing D. B. McDonough to construct a railroad switch and prescribing conditions and restrictions.

Which, on motion by Mr. Cottrell, was laid over until the first meeting in April.

Dr. Woodburn, from the Committee on Water Works, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 3, 1873.

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

The Committee on Water Works, to whom was referred sundry motions to lay down additional water pipes in the different parts of the city, beg leave

to report that it would be inexpedient to demand of the Water Works Company the laying down of so many miles of pipes not absolutely necessary and thereby perhaps cripple their financial condition; we therefore recommend that on the following routes the pipes be extended—this extension of pipes being the most necessary:

On Delaware to Tinker street (from St. Mary's.)

On Meridian from Second to Tinker.

On Virginia avenue from Merrill to Dillon street.

On Tennessee street from North to Tinker street.

On Noble street from Washington street to Massachusetts avenue.

From Geisendorff street to Blake street, on Blake to New York, and from New York to West street.

On Pennsylvania street from South to Madison avenue, and south on Madison avenue to McCarty street.

On South street from East to Noble street.

On Mississippi street from North to Tinker street.

On Ash street from Massachusetts avenue to Christian avenue, on Christian avenue to College avenue, from College avenue to Home avenue.

From Cumberland south on West to South street.

From South street on Alabama to McCarty street.

From South street on East to McCarty street.

North on Pennsylvania street from Second to Tinker street.

On Huron street from Virginia avenue to Noble street.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WOODBURN,

LEON KAHN

Com. on Water Works.

Mr. Cottrell moved to insert in the report—On New Jersey street from South to McCarty street.

Which amendment was adopted.

The Committee then made a verbal report, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Water Works Company of Indianapolis be directed and required to lay down and extend pipes and mains upon and along the streets and within the limits above described, such pipes and mains to be laid down for the purpose of conveying and supplying water, and in conformity to the ordinances of said city of Indianapolis applying to and governing such matters.

Resolved, That the said city of Indianapolis is ready and willing to do the

acts by the ordinances aforesaid of her required, and does offer to receive the hydrants furnished and located in accordance with the ordinances aforesaid, and to pay rent for all water furnished for her, in conformity to the said ordinances, and to do and perform all acts by said ordinances of her required.

Resolved, That these resolutions are intended to notify said Water Works Company to do and perform the things specified in section five of an ordinance established January 3, 1870, entitled, "An ordinance authorizing the Water Works Company of Indianapolis to construct, maintain and operate water works, and supply the water to the city and citizens of Indianapolis, defining their powers and privileges, and prescribing their duties."

Resolved, That a certified copy of these resolutions be certified by the City Clerk to the City Marshal, and that the said Marshal at once serve them upon the Water Works Company, and of his service, without delay, make due return to the City Clerk.

On motion, the whole matter was referred to the City Solicitor.

General ordinance No. 7, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance authorizing the purchase of certain lands to be used for the purpose of locating thereon slaughter houses, soap factories and establishments of like general character.

Was taken up, when Mr. Craft offered the following motion:

Moved That the whole matter be referred to the City Solicitor for investigation, and report as to whether the city can legally buy and hold this property for the purpose indicated in the ordinance—as to whether we can compel the locating on this ground slaughter houses, bone-boiling houses, gut factories and business of like character, &c.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Woodburn presented the following:

Recapitulation of Monthly Report of the Expenditures of the City Hospital, ending Feb. 28, 1873:

Total expenditures for the month.....	\$1,323 04
Aggregate number of days for which Subsistence, etc., was furnished, 1873	
Average expense per capita per diem.....	\$0 67.0

J. W. MARSEE, Superintendent.

Which was received.

On motion the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, Mayor.

ATTEST:

JOHN R. CLINTON, City Clerk.