

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Monday, September 1, 1873, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor the Mayor, James L. Mitchell, in the Chair, and the following members :

Councilmen Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—24.

Absent—Councilmen Adams and Kahn—2.

The proceedings of the regular session held August 25th, were read and approved.

Sealed proposals for sundry street improvements were received, opened, read and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

Mr. Craft, from the Committee on Contracts, submitted the following reports :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals for marking the street lamps, have examined the same and find them to be as follows, to-wit :

Lewis H. Martin, \$1.00 per lamp.

H. C. Wellman, 30 cents per lamp.

Myers and Bingham, 20 cents per lamp.

Myers and Bingham being the lowest and best bidders, we would recommend that they be awarded the contract,

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN,
W. H. CRAFT,
M. C. ANDERSON,
Com. on Contracts.

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, to-wit :

FIRST.

For grading and graveling English avenue and sidewalks, from Dillon street to the corporation line east, only one proposal was presented, and that by James Mahoney, at \$1.30 per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved. We would recommend that he be awarded the contract.

SECOND.

For grading and graveling the alley running east and west through square No. 20, only one proposal was presented, and that by David

Sylvester, at 34 cents per lineal foot front, which we consider low enough, and therefore recommend that he be awarded the contract.

THIRD.

For grading and graveling the first alley north of North street, between Pennsylvania street and Fort Wayne avenue, only one proposal was presented, and that by David Sylvester, at 34 cents per lineal front foot, which we think low enough, and therefore recommend that he be awarded the contract.

FOURTH.

For putting a sewer in Kansas street, the same size as the one in the canal at the crossing of Maryland street:

W. F. Swain, \$15.90 per lineal foot run.

Riner and Bruner, \$15.40 per lineal foot run.

Bruner and Riner being the lowest and best bidders, we would recommend that they be awarded the contract.

FIFTH.

For grading and graveling North New Jersey street and sidewalks the following proposals were presented:

Samuel J. Smock, at \$1.40 per lineal foot front from Home avenue to Tinker street, and from Tinker street to State Fair ground at \$1.50 per lineal foot front. As we think said proposal is too high, we recommend that said work be readvertised.

SIXTH.

For grading and graveling Olive street and sidewalks from Prospect street two squares south of said street, only one proposal was presented, and that by John Green, at \$1.75 per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved. As we deem said bid too high, we recommend that said work be readvertised.

SEVENTH.

For grading and graveling the first alley north of Market and Ohio streets, and running east and west from Winston street to the old corporation line east, the following proposals were presented, to-wit:

James Mahoney, where 15 feet wide, 50 cents per lineal foot front, and where 20 feet wide, \$1.00 per lineal foot front on each side.

Daniel Mahoney, where 15 feet wide, 55 cents per lineal foot front, and where 20 feet wide, \$1.10 per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved; which bids we deem extravagant, and therefore recommend that said work be readvertised.

EIGHTH.

For putting flag stone crossings on Indiana avenue at the crossing of West street; also on New York street at the crossing of Blackford street, no proposals were presented; therefore we recommend that the same be readvertised.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CRAFT,
M. C. ANDERSON,
Com. on Contracts.

Which were concurred in.

REPORT FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The Civil Engineer submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—I hereby report the following estimates of work done :

A first and final estimate allowed John L. Hanna for grading and graveling the first alley east of New Jersey street running from Merrill to McCarty streets, 1,680 lineal feet, at 45 cents per foot.....	\$756 00
Also, a first and final estimate allowed Michael Foust for grading and graveling the first alley west of New Jersey street, running from Merrill to McCarty streets, 1,680 lineal feet, at 50 cents per foot.....	840 00
Also, a first and partial estimate to Charles S. Roney for building a public cistern near the corner of Pennsyl-	

vania and Fifth streets; capacity of cistern, 822.85 barrels	
at 70 cents per barrel.....	\$576 00
Less 15 per cent.....	86 40

Present payment.....	489 60
Also, a first and final estimate allowed Andrew Douglass for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk on Alabama street from Washington to Market street, 345½ lineal feet brick pavement, at 67 cents per front foot.....	231 48½
55 lineal feet of flagging, at 60 cents.....	33 00
20 square yards of bowldering, at 70 cents.....	14 00

Total estimate.....	278 48½
Also, a first and partial estimate allowed Macauley & Stone for grading, curbing and paving the east sidewalk on Blackford street, and the west sidewalk on West street from Market to New York street, 713.60 lineal feet of Lefler stone, 10 feet wide on West street, at \$3 00 per foot.....	2140 80
707.84 lineal feet pavement on Blackford street, 5 feet wide at \$1.50 per foot.....	1061 76
733.56 lineal feet curb on Blackford street at 63 cents per lineal foot.....	462 14

Total estimate.....	3664 70
Less 15 per cent.....	549 70

Present payment.....	3115 00
Also, a first and final estimate allowed Hiram Seibert for grading and graveling Nebraska street and sidewalks from East street to the Madison road, 2,590 lineal feet, at 98 cents per foot.....	2538 20
Also, a first and final estimate allowed James Mahoney for grading and graveling the first alley east of Cady street running north and south from Bates to Meek street, 1045.33 lineal feet, at 35 cents per foot.....	365 87
Also, a first and final estimate allowed Michael Foust for grading and graveling Coburn street and sidewalks from East street to the Madison road, 3,592 lineal feet at 62 cents per foot.....	1607 04
Also, a second partial estimate allowed Jesse S. Whitsitt for grading, curbing, paving, etc., on North Tennessee street from Seventh to the south line of Eleventh street, 8,317.14 square yards pavement at \$1.56 per yard.....	12974 74
3,657.37 lineal feet curb at 60 cents per foot.....	2194 42

Total estimate.....	15169 16
Deduct former estimate.....	8229 28

Present payment.....	\$6939 88
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Also, a fifth partial estimate allowed J. B. Smith for grading, paving and curbing, etc., on North Meridian street, extending from the north line of Second street to the north line of the first alley south of Fifth street on the east, and to J. D. Condit's south line on the west side, 26,228.33 square yards pavement at \$1.57½.....41309 62
 10,303.18 lineal feet of curb at 58 cents per foot..... 5975 84

Total estimate..... 47285 46
 Deduct former estimates.....39676 57

Present payment..... 7608 89

Also, a second and final estimate allowed John L. Hanna for grading, graveling and paving Peru street and sidewalks from Massachusetts avenue to Forest Home avenue, 2349.33 lineal feet at \$1.15 per foot..... 2701 73
 108 lineal feet of graveling, at 70 cents per foot..... 76 60
 88.6 lineal feet of brick pavement at street crossings at 45 cents..... 39 87

Total of city's portion..... 115 49

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. BROWN,
 City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The City Civil Engineer respectfully reports to the Common Council:

FIRST.

Contract and bond of Andrew Douglass, for putting stone crossings etc, as per bond, over the crossings on Illinois street from Second to Tinker street.

SECOND.

Contract and bond of Andrew Douglass, for laying down two rows of stone crossings at the four crossings of McCarty street.

THIRD.

Contract and bond of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the alley running north and south from Market to Wabash street, through the south part of square No. 44.

FOURTH.

Contract and bond of David Sylvester, for grading and graveling the first alley west of East street, running from Michigan street to the first alley south of Michigan street.

FIFTH.

Contract and Bond of David Sylvester, for grading and graveling the first alley west of East street, running north and south from Bicking to Coburn street.

SIXTH.

Contract and bond of Bruner and Riner, for putting a sewer in the canal across Kansas street, the same size as the one in the canal at the crossing of Maryland street.

SEVENTH.

Contract and bond of D. Coulter & Company, for erecting lamp posts, lamps and fixtures on sundry streets.

EIGHTH.

First and final estimate allowed John L. Hanna, for grading and graveling the first alley east of New Jersey street, running from McCarty to Merrill street.

NINTH.

First and final estimate allowed Andrew Douglass, for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk on Alabama street, from Washington to Market street.

TENTH.

First and final estimate allowed Hiram Seibert, for grading and graveling Nebraska street and sidewalks, from East street to the Madison Road.

ELEVENTH.

First and final estimate allowed James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Cady street, running north and south from Bates to Meek street.

TWELFTH.

Second and partial estimate allowed Jesse S. Whitsitt, for grading, curbing and paving Tennessee street, from Seventh or Tinker street to the south line of Eleventh street.

THIRTEENTH.

Fifth and partial estimate allowed J. B. Smith, for grading, paving and curbing North Meridian street, extending from the north line of the first alley south of Fifth street on the east side, and to J. D. Condit's south line on the west side.

FOURTEENTH.

Second and final estimate allowed John L. Hanna, for grading, graveling and paving Peru street and sidewalks from Massachusetts to Forest Home avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. BROWN,
City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in, except the contract and bond of James Mahoney for grading and graveling the alley running north and south from Market to Wabash streets, through the south line of square No. 44, which was rejected.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing second and final estimate of John L. Hanna, for grading, graveling and paving Peru street and sidewalks

from Massachusetts avenue to Forest Home avenue, 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of John L. Hanna, for grading and graveling the first alley east of New Jersey street, running from McCarty to Merrill 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Andrew Douglass, for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk on Alabama street, from Washington to Market 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Hiram Seibert, for grading and graveling Nebraska street and sidewalks from East street to the Madison Road, 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Cady street, running north and south from Bates to Meek 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaugh-

lin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing second and partial estimate of Jesse S. Whitsitt, for grading, curbing and paving Tennessee street from Seventh or Tinker street to the south line of Eleventh 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing fifth and partial estimate of J. B. Smith, for grading, curbing and paving with wooden blocks, and curbing the outside edges of the sidewalks with stone, North Meridian street from the north line of the first alley south of Fifth street on the east side, and to J. D. Condit's south line on the west side, 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 Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—22.

Negative—None.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The City Clerk would respectfully report the following affidavits now on file in his office for the collection of street assessments by precept, as follows, to-wit:

Patterson and Dunning vs. Lamme H. King for.....	\$264 00
John Greene vs. Frank Mills for.....	367 82
John Greene vs. Noah Johnson for.....	123 75

And would respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

JOHN R. CLINTON,
City Clerk.

Which was concurred in and the precepts ordered to issue.

The City Gas Inspector submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The City Gas inspector would respectfully submit the following report:

In the month of August I have proved 50 metres for the Indianapolis Gas-light and Coke Company, to 48 of which I attached my official badge, and 2 were returned, being more than two per cent. slow.

The following is the average pressure of gas in the mains for the month of August, between the hours of 7 P. M. and 6 A. M., as indicated by the register clock in this office. The figures refer to the weight of column of water divided into tenths of an inch:

At 7 P. M., 27 tenths; at 8 P. M., 20 tenths; at 9 P. M., 19 tenths; at 10 P. M., 21 tenths; at 11 P. M., 20 tenths; at 12 (midnight) 19 tenths; at 1 A. M., 18 tenths; at 2 A. M., 18 tenths; at 3 A. M., 18 tenths; at 4 A. M., 18 tenths; at 5 A. M., 19 tenths; at 6 A. M., 19 tenths.

From 15 to 20 tenths is the most economical pressure under which gas can be burned. It will be seen, therefore, that the pressure for the last month has been nearly correct.

The average pressure for the month, as taken at several stations one mile from the gas works, at 9 P. M., is 18.88 tenths.

The consumption of gas by the city, as indicated by the reading of the metres this day, is as follows:

	No. feet.
1. Engine House—Indiana avenue.....	3,500
2. Engine House—Massachusetts avenue.....	4,000
3. Engine House—Virginia avenue.....	5,700
4. Engine House—Russell avenue.....	4,900
5. Western Hose.....	2,100
6. Head-Quarters.....	1,600
7. South Street Hose.....	3,200
8. St. Joseph Street Hose.....	1,800
9. New Jersey Street Hose.....	1,800
10. Maryland Street Hose.....	3,500
11. City Hall.....	7,400
12. Station House.....	18,600
13. River Bridge.....	8,300
14. Tunnel—east side.....	27,600
15. Tunnel—west side.....	16,600
16. Military Park.....	3,100
17. East Market House.....	100

In compliance with an order of the City Council, passed August 5th, 1873, I gave notice, on the 25th of the same month, to J. M. Cooper, that his contract with the city for lighting, extinguishing, cleaning and repairing the public lamps, would be rescinded in ten days from and after that date. If the contract for lighting the street lamps is re-let, I would respectfully suggest that it be specifically stated in the advertisement for proposals, that each bid shall be for one section or quarter of the city only.

Respectfully submitted,

RYLAND T. BROWN,
City Gas Inspector.

Which was concurred in.

The City Marshal submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned would respectfully report that he has served the following notices, as directed, since last meeting of Council, which have been returned to the City Clerk:

Remove fountain from the north side of Washington street to south side.

Open and extend Bellefontaine street from its present southern terminus to Massachusetts avenue.

Indianapolis & Cincinnati Railroad Company to lower track of the switch running from the main track of Indianapolis & Cincinnati Railroad Company to Geisendorff's mill.

Property owner to remove fence on Mississippi street between Seventh and Twelfth streets, to accord with stakes to be set by Civil Engineer.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. WEST,

City Marshal.

Which was received.

The Board of Health submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The Board of Health would respectfully submit the following weekly mortality report for the week ending September 1, 1873:

Under 1 year.....	7
From 1 to 2 years.....	4
From 2 to 5 years.....	5
From 5 to 10 years.....	2
From 10 to 15 years.....	1
From 15 to 20 years.....	0
From 20 to 25 years.....	3
From 25 to 30 years.....	2
From 30 to 40 years.....	3
From 40 to 50 years.....	3
From 50 to 60 years.....	4
From 60 to 70 years.....	2
From 70 to 80 years.....	0
From 80 to 90 years.....	0
From 90 to 100 years.....	0
100 and upwards.....	0
Unknown.....	0

Total..... 34

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. ELBERT, M. D., Pres't.

W. WANDS, M. D. Secretary.

Which was received.

The Chief Fire Engineer submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—In locating the places for new additional fire alarm boxes, I find that two more additional boxes are needed, besides the six boxes that you have ordered to be purchased, and would place them at or near the following points :

North and Winston streets.

College avenue and Tinker street.

Alabama and Eighth streets.

Meridian and Tinker streets.

Tennessee, north of Tinker street.

First and West streets.

Indianola, west of White river.

Delaware street and Madison avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. RICHMANN,
Chief Fire Engineer.

The Committee on Fire Department would most respectfully concur in the above report.

DAVID GIBSON,
ROBT. KENNINGTON,
Com. on Fire Department.

Which was concurred in.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Anderson introduced Special Ordinance No. 305, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade and gravel the alley running east and west from Cedar to Grove street, and between Hosbrook and Elm streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Bigham introduced Special Ordinance No. 306, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade and gravel the alley running east and west in out-lot 71, from the west line of lot No. 6, in Jones' subdivision of out-lot 71, to the west line of out-lot 71.

Which was read the first time.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 307, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to light with gas Ohio street from Highland to Arsenal avenues.

Which was read the first time.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 308, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to light with gas Market street from Highland to Arsenal avenues.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Shepherd introduced Special Ordinance No. 309, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade and gravel the western arm of Kentucky avenue, from the Vincennes Railroad tracks to the approach of White river bridge.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 310, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade, bowlder and curb with stone the gutter and widening the west sidewalk of North Mississippi street five feet from Washington street to Indiana avenue.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Ward introduced Special Ordinance No. 311, 1873, entitled:

An ordinance to grade and pave the north sidewalk of Fort Wayne avenue from Pennsylvania to St. Mary's streets.

Which was read the first time and placed on the files as a substitute for Special Ordinance No. 264, 1873, introduced August 4, 1873, and Special Ordinance No. 287, 1873, introduced August 11, 1873, which were ordered stricken from the files.

Mr. Gimber introduced Special Ordinance No. 312, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to light with gas Meridian street from Morris to Kansas streets.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Ordinance No. 313, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to light with gas Walnut street between Meridian and Illinois streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Craft introduced Special Ordinance No. 214, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade and pave with brick the east sidewalk on Liberty street, between Michigan and North streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Twiname introduced Special Ordinance No. 215, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to light Alabama street with gas from Tinker street to the Exposition Building.

Which was read the first time.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 216, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to light with gas Delaware street from Tinker street to the Exposition Building.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Pendleton presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the north side of Prospect street, between Virginia avenue and Reed street, and others, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance providing for the grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Prospect street from Virginia avenue to Reed street, said sidewalk to be paved 8 feet wide, according to an ordinance herewith submitted to be passed upon by your honorable body ; and we further request that this be done in lieu of the passage of ordinance No. 289, now pending before your honorable body, to grade and gravel said sidewalk, believing it to be for the best interests of the property owners to have the same paved instead of graveled.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

SAMUEL DAVIS,
S. P. DAVIS,
R. S. PATTERSON,
And 14 others.

Which was received.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 217, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade and pave with brick the west sidewalk of Prospect street from Virginia avenue to Reed street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Pressly introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 46, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money on account of Station House for the month of August, 1873.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 47, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money to pay sundry claims against the city for the month of August, 1873.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Ward introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 48, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money on account of City Hospital for month of August, 1873.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Rush introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 49, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money on account of printing, stationery, etc., for the month of August, 1873.

Which was read the first time.

Special Appropriation Ordinances Nos. 46, 48 and 49 1873, were read the second time and ordered engrossed.

Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 47, 1873, was read the second time, when on motion by Mr. Brown the claim of H. Recke for horse killed by No. 5 Hose Reel, was stricken out and referred to the City Attorney.

Mr. Batty offered the following amendment:

That an appropriation for \$1,017.41, for paving in front of the "Home of the Friendless," on Tennessee street, be inserted in the appropriation ordinance.

Which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Brown the charges in the Water Works bill for public fountains were stricken from the account.

On motion of Mr. Pressly the amount of \$2,240, cost of grading and paving with block pavement Brookside avenue in front of the second (or shoe string) Park was stricken from the ordinance.

Mr. Kennington offered the following motion :

Moved, To amend by inserting "sixteen hundred dollars to pay for the Southport, and the Indianapolis Gravel Road Company so much as lays inside the corporation line south.

Mr. Thalman offered the following amendment :

Moved, That the City Clerk be directed not to pay the same until the City Attorney approves of the claim by report to this Council, and has in his possession the proper papers transferring the same to the city.

Which amendment was not adopted.

The question being on the adoption of Mr. Kennington's motion, those who voted in the affirmative were,

Councilmen Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Gimber, Kennington, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan and Stratford—9.

Those who voted in the negative, were,

Councilmen Batty, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, McLaughlin, Peck, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—14.

So the motion was not adopted.

The Ordinance as amended was then ordered engrossed.

Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 46, 1873,

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kennington, McLaughlin, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—23.

Negative—None.

Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 47, 1873,

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kennington, McLaughlin, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—23.

Negative—None.

Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 48, 1873,

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kennington, McLaughlin, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—23.

Negative—None.

Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 49, 1873,

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kennington, McLaughlin, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—23.

Negative—None.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

General Ordinance No. 50, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to repeal the hack ordinance, passed July 7, 1873.

Was read the second time, when Mr. Gibson moved to strike the ordinance from the files.

Which motion was not adopted.

Mr. Brown offered the following amendment :

Strike out all after the title and insert the following :

"SEC. 1. *Be it Ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis,* That any licensed public hack, express wagon, or dray, shall be allowed to stand on any public street within the city limits.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage.

Which was adopted.

The ordinance as amended was then ordered engrossed.

General Ordinance No. 62, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance relative to placing a flagman on Cady street.

Was read the second time, and ordered engrossed.

General Ordinance No. 56, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance providing for the purchase for a public park of the grounds known as the "Indianapolis Trotting Park," and authorizing the issue of the bonds of the city in payment thereof.

Was read the second time.

Mr. Batty offered the following amendment :

Moved, That the first section of said ordinance be amended by inserting therein the following clause, to-wit :

Provided, That a sum equal to that appropriated for the real estate described, be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of improv-

ing the real estate recently donated to the city for a Park by Bruce and others, being a tract of $99\frac{1}{2}$ acres, or for purchasing additional lands to add to said land so donated.

Mr. Pressly moved to lay Mr. Batty's amendment on the table.

Mr. Batty moved to lay the ordinance and amendment on the table.

Which motion to lay on the table by Mr. Batty, was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Thalman and Woodburn—15.

Negative—Councilmen Anderson, Brown, Hardesty, Pendleton, Pressly, Reagan, Stratford, Twiname and Ward—9.

Mr. Peck moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of calling the roll for the introduction of new business and receiving reports from Committees.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pendleton, Pressly, Sherwood, Stratford, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—19.

Negative—Councilmen Gimber, Hardesty, Reagan, Rush and Shepherd—5.

Mr. Batty offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner grade Granville street at the crossing of Alabama and Delaware streets, sufficient to allow teams to cross said streets.

Also, first alley north, and first alley south of Granville street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That F. P. Rush and Edgar Foster be permitted to fill up to the proper grade Home avenue in front of their lots. The work to be done under the supervision of the Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to put in the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the alley between Yandes and Columbia streets, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance providing for the widening and improving of said alley, the widening to be done from Home avenue to Lincoln street, and the improving should be from Malotte avenue north to Lincoln street. The alley to be widened to the width of twenty feet, two and one-half feet to the side, and improved with good pit gravel.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

F. M. HOOK.
JAS. A. SHEARER.
HIRAM ALTLAND,
And 13 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your petitioners would respectfully remonstrate against the carrying out of your order on the petition of sundry persons in the grading and paving of sidewalks of Alvord street from lot No. 61 to Malott avenue, and would respectfully petition your honorable body, in lieu thereof, to order the grading of said Alvord street from Home avenue to Malott avenue.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

JOHN A. WEBER,
LOUIS ENNERS.
PHILIP LEPPOE,
And 5 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys together with the ordinance.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned respectfully show that they are owners of real estate in the city of Indianapolis, lying north of the Pendleton road and east of Central avenue, being within the limits of the Tenth Ward of the said city : that a great portion of said lands are subject to overflow, and in times of high water the cellars become full and remain so for some time, generating miasma, sickness, and causing death.

Most of these lands have been improved by the building of such manufactories as the Car Works, Sewing Machine Cabinet Works, Planing Mills, Saw Mills, Lock Factories, dwelling houses, &c., and there is an urgent necessity that some method of drainage be immediately put in operation.

The old State Ditch runs along through the northern part of these lands from east to west, and finally empties into Fall Creek, and as we are informed and believe, can be made practically available as a conduit or sewer for draining all that part of the city north of Christian avenue.

In justice to this growing part of our city, and to the large and increasing manufacturing interest, which will be seriously injured if drainage cannot be had, we respectfully petition that the City Engineer be directed to examine the whole matter, and report a plan for the drainage of this territory at once, and that immediate measures may be taken by the Common Council to remove our cause of complaint, and relieve us of the injury and damage which we are now suffering in person and property by reason of the want of proper drains and sewers.

Respectfully submitted,

SEWING MACHINE CABINET CO.,
INDIANAPOLIS CAR CO.,
FREDERICK RUSCHHAUPT,

And 45 others.

Which was received.

Also, the following motion :

Moved. That the petition be referred to the City Engineer, and that he report at the next meeting of the Council as to the probable cost of widening and deepening said ditch sufficient to carry out the surface water, or report any other system of drainage.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Central avenue, between St. Marys street and State Ditch, respectfully represent that said Central avenue was formerly known as the old Fort Wayne road, established by law, and was but forty-eight feet in width, the centre of said road being the west line of the south-east quarter of Sec. 36, town 16 north range 3 east ; that on the 9th day of October, 1854, Ovid Butler laid off and platted in lots (together with out-lot No. 180 of the city of Indianapolis) 175 feet in width of the south part of the west half of said south-east quarter of sec. 36, town 16 north range 3 east as an addition to Indianapolis. (see Rec. plat No. 1, pages 445 and 446 ; that on the 12th day of March, 1862, said Ovid Butler laid off and platted in out-lots for suburban residences the remaining 70 acres off the south side of said west half of the south-east quarter of section 36. (see Plat Book No. 2, page 70) ; that said Ovid Butler, in laying off and platting said ground, dedicated so much of his ground to the public for a street as would make twenty-five (25) feet east from the centre of said old Fort Wayne road, and also laid off and along the east side of said twenty-five (25) feet ten (10) feet in width for a sidewalk for the use of the property holders, thus giving and establishing thirty-five (35) feet from the centre of said Fort Wayne road, on the east side thereof, for a street and sidewalk for the distance embraced within said plats referred to.

Your petitioners further represent that it will conduce greatly to the advantage of the property holders, and add to the public convenience, that uniformity should be observed in the location and establishment of said street of the city.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance ordaining that said Central avenue shall be seventy feet wide, fifty feet of which shall be appropriated for the street and ten feet upon each side appropriated for sidewalks ; and further ordain that the west line of said south-east quarter of said section 36, town 16 north range 3 east, shall be taken and held as the centre of said street, and that so much of the land of the property holders on each side of said street shall be taken and appropriated according to law, as in such cases made and provided, for the purpose of making said street seventy feet in width, as herein petitioned for. The provisions of the said ordinance to apply only to so much of said avenue as lies between St. Marys street and the State Ditch.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

J. E. LUDLUM.
VANARSDAL & CONES,
M. WARD,

And 14 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Bigham offered the following motion :

Moved, That W. N. Bert and C. C. Foster have permission to bowlder ten feet of the sidewalk in front of their residences on East Washington street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bigham, from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred sundry papers, would respectfully report:

FIRST.

A petition was presented to the Council and referred to your committee from Charles Soner, Frederick Kolb, Henry Font and others owners of property on Winston street, asking the Council to open and extend Winston street on a direct line north from its present northern terminus to St. Clair street, to a width of forty feet. Your committee respectfully report in favor of the prayer of the above petitioners on condition that the city shall have nothing to pay as damages. On the above conditions we recommend that the City Clerk be directed to give the proper notice to the City Commissioners.

SECOND.

A remonstrance was also referred to your committee signed by R. P. Duncan and others, remonstrating against the curbing with stone the outside edge of the sidewalk on Alabama street from Fort Wayne avenue to Tinker street. Your committee believe said work should be done, and herewith report back the remonstrance and recommend that the ordinance for said improvement be passed.

THIRD.

A remonstrance was also referred to your committee signed by James Kirlin, John B. Reynolds and John McNealy remonstrating against the passage of an ordinance to grade and pave with brick and curb with stone the outside edge of the sidewalk on the north

side of First street from Illinois to Tennessee street, believing said improvement should be made, we recommend that said ordinance be passed.

FOURTH.

A petition was also referred to your committee signed by C. G. Bartholomew and Sam. J. Pickerell asking Council to vacate an alley in Ingraham Fletcher's fourth addition. Your committee are of opinion that said alley should not be vacated, therefore report against granting the prayer of the said petitioners.

FIFTH.

A petition was also referred to your committee from John Wilson, J. J. Hoss, A. Wilmot and others residing near the intersection of Delaware and Tinker streets, stating that the gutters at the intersection of said streets are in a very bad condition, and asking Council to take some steps in the matter. Your committee would recommend that the petition be referred to the City Civil Engineer to report what is necessary to remedy the evil complained of.

SIXTH.

A remonstrance was also referred to your committee signed by Andrew Wallace and others against bowldering Maryland street from Alabama to Delaware street. As said street is in bad condition, we would therefore recommend that the ordinance be passed.

SEVENTH.

A remonstrance was also referred to your committee signed by John C. Wright and others remonstrating against grading and graveling Paca street from Indiana avenue to Eutaw street, and as the said improvement is not actually needed at the present time, we would recommend that the same be postponed until next year.

EIGHTH.

A remonstrance was also referred to your committee signed by John C. Wright and others, property owners on Indiana avenue, remonstrating against grading and paving with brick and curbing the outside edge of the sidewalk with stone the north sidewalk on

Indiana avenue from St. Clair street to Fall creek. As material and labor is very high, we think said improvement should be postponed until next year.

NINTH.

A petition was also referred to us signed by Robert Kennington, J. P. Duvall and others, owners of property on Poplar street, between Union and Delaware street, to have said street opened from Chestnut to Delaware street. Your committee are in favor of granting the prayer of the above petitioners on condition nothing will have to be paid out of the city treasury, and recommend that the City Clerk issue the necessary notice to property owners and City Commissioners.

TENTH.

A motion was also referred to your committee directing the Street Commissioner to put in a culvert across St. Clair street at the intersection of Massachusetts avenue. We would report in favor of the passage of the motion.

ELEVENTH.

A motion was also referred to us that the Street Commissioner be and is hereby notified that no bills for castings for foot crossing will be allowed unless the same has been weighed by him, and a statement of the same furnished the committee. We recommend that the above motion be passed.

A motion was also referred directing the Street Commissioner to put cement pipe in the gutter on New York street between Agnes street and the mill race. We recommend that the above motion be carried out by the Street Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. BIGHAM,
JOHN T. PRESSLY,
E. J. HARDESTY,

Com. on Streets and Alleys.

Which was read by sections and concurred in except the seventh and eighth paragraphs, which were not concurred in.

Mr. Bollman offered the following motion :

Moved, That Herman Reutsch have permission to employ the Gas Company to change the bracket light on the corner of the alley, on

Pearl street, so it will light both the alley running east and west and north and south.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Civil Engineer advertise for proposals for repairing the inside of the East Market House, the contractor to have the old brick to use in said pavement as far as the same is now paved.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Markets be authorized to have the East Market House whitewashed, and present the bill to the Council for allowance.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to notify the City Commissioners to make an assessment of damages and benefits in the matter of opening an alley 15 feet wide, running east and west through out-lot 104, said alley to commence at the first alley running north and south-west of New Jersey street, and intersect the second alley west of New Jersey street, said alley to be opened at a point from 100 to 150 feet north of Sinker street, and to run parallel with said Sinker street, and report their action to this Council for approval. The Clerk is also instructed to notify the owners of said property on each side of said proposed alley, as required by the City Charter.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September, 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of real estate abutting on Dunlap street between Japan street and the Madison road, in said city, respectfully represent that on the 26th day of May, 1873, a con-

tract was let by the city to Hiram Seibert for the grading and graveling of Dunlap street and sidewalks from Japan street to the Madison road, for the sum of \$1.68 per lineal foot front on each side. (For particulars see contract.)

They further represent that by the terms of said contract said work was to be done on or before the first day of September, 1873; that by the terms of said contract it was provided that if said work was not completed by the time fixed in the contract the said contract should be void. We therefore ask your honorable body to declare said contract forfeited and void, for the reason that it has not been completed, being barely graded, and no gravel placed on said street or sidewalks. We ask your honorable body to so amend the ordinance that the said street and sidewalks may be graveled with creek gravel or river gravel, instead of screened gravel, and we ask that after the amendment of the ordinance as above indicated that the contract be readvertised and relet, as we desire that said street and sidewalks be improved.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN YOUNG,
PETER BALZ,
PHILIP GUENTHER,
And 9 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and City Attorney.

Mr. Bollman presented the following remonstrance:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the first alley west of East street, between New Jersey and East street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the improvement of said alley.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

WM. KORTPETER,
C. H. FALKENING,
JOHN DILLON,
And 27 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys together with the ordinance.

Also, the following :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on McCarty street, between Delaware and East streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving of the sidewalks; also curbing said above mentioned street, (ordinance introduced July 15th, 1873, and passed on first reading, same date,) and we the remonstrants pray for said ordinance to be stricken from the files.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

PETER WEIS,
G. W. STONESTREET,
HENRY BEMANN,
And 10 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys together with the ordinance.

Also, the following :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned owners of the real estate fronting on the first alley east of Delaware street, between McCarty and Merrill street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of an alley, the first one east of Delaware street, from Merrill to McCarty street. An ordinance is now pending for the improvement of said alley from Merrill to Wyoming street. We only remonstrate against the improvement of said alley from Merrill to McCarty street, as we have no property beyond McCarty street.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

FRANCIS DONNELLY,
CHRISTINE BECKMAN,
S. L. McCONNELL.

And 14 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys together with the ordinance.

Mr. Brown introduced General Ordinance No. 63, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance authorizing the issue and sale of warrants.

Which was read the first time.

Also, General Ordinance No. 63, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance regulating the price to be charged for conveying persons to and from the Exposition in public hacks, express wagons, or other vehicles.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to report what action he has taken in all cases where, by resolution, notice has been directed to be served to property holders to fill up or drain their lots, and in case of their failure, ordering the same to be done at their expense by the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the contractor for improving Meridian street, between South and McCarty streets, be required to place two inches in depth of fine gravel on top of the coarse gravel he is putting down on said street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to assess, as the city's portion, the cost of raising the bowlders in the gutters on Virginia avenue, by the contractor for curbing the sidewalks, the said gutters having been bowldered at the expense of property owners but a few years since.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That all ordinances on the files for street, alley or sidewalk improvements be referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report back such as can be contracted for and finished this year.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That Barnabas Coffin be allowed the privilege of grading and graveling Rockwood street and sidewalks between West street and White river with good river or creek gravel, the same to be done at his own expense, the work to be done according to stakes to be set by the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Chief Fire Engineer and the Committee on Fire Department be directed examine the Dean Pump manufactured in this city, and report whether the same cannot be used for the purpose of extinguishing fires, and the estimated cost of the same.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Chief Fire Engineer be directed to place a fire alarm box at the corner of Meridian street and Russell avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department and Chief Fire Engineer.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Chair appoint a special committee of three who shall inquire into the expediency of organizing a Board of Public Improvement, and of providing by ordinance for a better regulation of the use of streets for building purposes, and for a better system of doing the public work of the city.

Which was adopted.

The Chair appointed as such special committee Councilmen Brown, Gibson and Kahn.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—We the undersigned, owners of real estate on the west side of Delaware street and between South and Merrill streets, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance for grading and graveling the alley or street lying west of our property and running north and south along our property between the points aforesaid.

And in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

PETER SPITZFADEN,
THOS. GREANY,
PAT GREANY,

And 14 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owner of the real estate fronting on each side of the alley running west from the first alley west of West street and between Kingan and Rockwood streets, respectfully petition your honorable body to vacate said alley, and also to vacate Kingan street from the first alley west of West street to White river.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

H. COFFIN.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Brown from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the subject of grading and graveling Alabama street from Tinker street to the State Ditch, with power and instructions to take such action as will secure the completion of the work by the 5th of September, or sooner if possible, would report that they have discharged that duty. They found that the contractor had until some time in October to complete his contract; that the street was an important one, the improvement of which is urgent in view of the approaching Exposition; that in

order to complete the work the 5th of September an additional force, at an additional cost of \$300, would have to be put upon the work by the contractor; and that your committee have arranged with the contractor, Samuel J. Smock, that he be allowed the additional sum of \$300, provided the work be finished by the 5th instant.

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN H. BROWN.
DAVID GIBSON,
J. H. WOODBURN.
H. S. BIGHAM.

Finance Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Brown, from the Special Committee, submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The select committee to whom was referred the matter of sprinkling certain streets leading to the Exposition, and with instructions to confer with the officers of the State Board of Agriculture, and of the Citizens' Street Railway, would report:

That they called upon the officers of the organization and corporation named, in obedience to instructions. The State Board of Agriculture claim to have gone to much expense connected with the Exposition, and as they intend to keep the tracks and streets inside the grounds, and the street immediately south of and parallel with the Exposition building sprinkled, that they ought not to be called upon to contribute anything further. The Street Railway Company claim that because of the failure to open certain streets that they were led to believe would be opened near the Exposition, they were compelled at great expense to lay down tracks over private grounds, that will have to be again taken up, and that they should not be called upon to increase their expenditures.

Your committee recommend that the Council take immediate action on the ordinance now on the files on the subject of sprinkling streets.

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN H. BROWN,
B. WARD,
J. H. WOODBURN,

Select Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Craft offered the following motion:

Moved, That John C. Brinkmeyer, D. McBride, and Henry Kloecker have permission to grade and pave with brick the sidewalks in front of their property on Liberty street, from Michigan to North street, the same

to be seven feet in width, and completed within 60 days from passage of this motion, and the Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That Pudre & Miller have the privilege of grading and gravelling the alley in the rear of their property, between Noble and Spring streets and Michigan and North streets, the same to be done at their own expense, and under direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Craft, from the Committee on Fire Department, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—We the undersigned, members of the Committee on Fire Department, to whom was referred a motion directing that bath tubs be placed in each of the new Engine Houses, would report that we have considered the same, and believing that it would be conducive to the health of our firemen and encourage cleanliness among the same, would recommend that the motion be concurred in, and the committee, with the Chief, be authorized to have the work performed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CRAFT,
D. GIBSON,
R. KENNINGTON,
Com. on Fire Dept.

Which was not concurred in.

Mr. Craft, from the Committee on Gas, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—We the undersigned, members of the Committee on Gas, to whom was referred the question as to whether the present City Lamp Lighter was performing his duty according to his contract, would report that we have, we think, given the matter a full and fair investigation, having examined under oath the following witnesses: George Kern,

Julius Manny, J. George Stilz, Isaac Dunn, W. H. Philips, Charles E. Johnson, John Edwards, and Joseph McGaff, and from the evidence elicited are fully persuaded that Dr. Cooper has done all in his power to discharge his duty and fulfill his contract, but that there is or seems to be a combination to break him down and to prevent his success in lighting the city lamps, and from the nature of the evidence we are compelled to exonerate him from blame in his failure to fully meet the obligations of his contract with the city. We would recommend, as the Doctor's resignation accompanies this report, that the city be divided into four districts, and that in letting the same that no bid be received for more than one of said districts from the same party or parties.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. PRESSLY,
W. H. CRAFT,
FRED C. BOLLMAN,
Com. on Gas.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Brown moved that when the Council adjourn it adjourn to meet Thursday evening, to receive and act upon bids to be received for lighting and extinguishing the public lamps, and to transact other business.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Craft presented the following:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—I respectfully tender to you my resignation as City Lamp Lighter, to take effect from the time my successor is appointed and qualified.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. COOPER.

Which was received.

Mr. Brown moved that Mr. J. M. Cooper be relieved from his contract, etc.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

Moved, That the matter be referred to the Committee on Gas, with instruction to contract with parties for the lighting and extinguishing of gas lamps, at a price not exceeding 30 cents per month per lamp.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Craft presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Alex. Jameson, (owner of lot two (2) in Jameson's subdivision of block thirty-one (31) in said city, said lot being on the corner of New York and West streets, opposite the Park, would represent that he has several times joined in petitioning your honorable body to have the sidewalk on said lot paved with brick, as also the sidewalk of several lots north and south of the one here named. I now again earnestly desire to pave, or have the same paved, with brick, and protest against having it paved with McCauley cement slabs.

With respect,

ALEX. JAMESON.

Which was received.

Mr. Darnell offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to set back the fence on the north side of Tinker street, between Meridian and Delaware Sts., 20 feet from the fence now there, by the 4th day of September, 1873, Mr. John M. Talbott having consented to said arrangement, in order that more room can be given to persons in getting to the Exposition building.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill up the holes on Illinois street between First and Tinker streets immediately.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That Willis W. Wright be granted permission to grade, curb with stone and pave with brick or Lefler stone, 10 feet wide in front of his property, being lots 6, 5, 4, and part of lot, 3 in out-lot No. 4, west of White river, on the north side of Washington street, 117 feet 8 inches front. Frances F. Wright to grade, curb with stone and pave 10 feet in width in front of lots 6 and 7 in Boatwright's subdivision in out-lot 8, west of White river, 132 feet front on the north side of Washington St. V. K. Stanley to grade, curb with stone, and pave 10 feet in width in front of lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 in Boatwright's subdivision in out-lot 8, west of White river, 264 feet front. J. B. Hunter, C. Mueller and W. W. Wright to grade, curb with stone and pave 10 feet in width in front of lots 8, 9 and 10 in block No. 1 in out-lot 9, west of White river, fronting 120 feet on the north side of Washington street. Said work to be done at the expense of the property owners and under the direction of the City Engineer, who is hereby authorized to set the stakes for the same.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen--I propose to sell to the city of Indianapolis for Fire Department purposes, a lot on the north side of Sixth between Illinois and Tennessee streets, 33 feet front, and 91½ feet in depth, at fifty dollars per foot front on Sixth street. Terms, one-half down, balance in six months, with 10 per cent interest.

J. H. ROSS.

Which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

Also, the following motion :

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the city of Indianapolis proposes to open a street, in the width of twenty (20) feet, to extend from Illinois to Meridian streets, to run through the grounds of Wm. Hendersoh, Jno. D. Condit, and B. F. Witt, or his wife. Therefore,

Moved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to prepare a plat of the proposed street and the adjacent property, and that the City Clerk issue the necessary notices to the City Commissioners and property owners, and that the City Marshal serve such notices and make the proper return of the same.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September, 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of lots in out-lot No, 8, west of White river, respectfully petition that Columbia street be extended from its present terminus at State street, east, through lots numbered 1 to 8 inclusive, in said out-lot. Thence east to a street running north and south, near the center of out-lot 5, said street to be continued of the same width as Columbia street.

Respectfully submitted,

V. K. STANLEY,
FRANCIS T. WRIGHT.
WILLIS W. WRIGHT.

Which was received, and the City Clerk directed to issue the necessary notices to City Commissioners and property owners.

Mr. Gibson presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS. September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your petitioners, resident citizens of said city, would respectfully represent that a portion of the Indianapolis, Brownsburg and Pittsboro Gravel Road is now within the corporate limits of the city, with a toll gate at the west end of Indiana avenue, and charges are made for traveling in the city limits, at high rates. We therefore pray your honorable body to take such steps without delay as will make free so much of said Gravel Road as lies within the city limits as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. NEWCOMB,
B. K. SMITH, JR.,
A. O. MITCHELL,

And 130 others.

Which was received.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That a committee of three be appointed by the President of the Council to confer with the County Commissioners for the purpose of devising a plan by which the county and city co-operating may buy all the gravel roads in Center township.

Which was adopted.

The Chair appointed as such committee Councilmen Pressly, Sherwood and Rush.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That in view of the fact that builders of Fire Engines are reluctant to bring their engines here to compete at the proposed test on the 15th of September next, that the Committee on Fire Department are hereby directed to report to this Council at their next meeting such recommendation as they may have to make on the proposals opened for fire engines, and advise interested parties that no test will be made.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Gimber presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, property owners on Rose street, between West street and the river, respectfully and earnestly remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance now pending before your honorable body for the grading and graveling of Rose street between the above points, as we are not able to pay for the same at present, and as we are in debt for our property, this we ask repealed at your hands.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES WHITE.

JOHN CONNOR,

And 8 others.

Which was received.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That Foster Whitford be allowed to lay, at his own expense, a cement drain pipe in the gutter in front of his property on Virginia avenue, of sufficient size to carry the water.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That permission be and is hereby granted unto Henry Wolf, Fred Sanders, Samuel H. Vandeman, G. S. Bradley, G. A. Reisner, W. R. Hogshire, John Robinson and James W. Vandeman, to grade and pave with brick the sidewalk of Prospect street in front of their property,

said work to be done at their own expense, and finished within ninety days, under the direction of the Civil Engineer, who is hereby instructed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit : Lot No. 1, in Bradshaw's subdivision of out-lot No. 99, of the city of Indianapolis, be and they are hereby required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of this Council, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof, and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28th, 1866, entitled, "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of ponds, excavations and holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same," and that in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance ; *Provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Craft, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pendleton, Pressly, Rush, Shepherd, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—19.

Negative—Councilmen Sherwood—1.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned respectfully represents to your honorable body that he is the owner of lot 437 Virginia avenue, in said city, that he is assessed with the value of the house to the amount of \$700, that said house only cost \$650, that the house was built in April and May, 1872, that the undersigned was living in Centerville, Wayne county, Indiana,

until the 8th day of May, 1872, wherefore he prays your honorable body to remit so much of said taxes as are assessed against him for said improvements.

JOHN G. WARD.

Which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims, City Assessor, and City Attorney.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned respectfully shows to your honorable body that he now is, and for several years last past has been the owner in fee of lot 26 of Coffin's subdivision of the north half of out-lot 101 in the city of Indianapolis, Marion county, Ind. ; that he is a resident of said city, and has resided on said lot since sometime in the year 1865. And the undersigned further shows that by reason of inadequate and imperfect sewerage his said property has been overflowed with water sixteen times within the 18 months last past ; that on the 28th, 4th and 2d of July, 1873, his said lot, including the cellar of his house, garden, carpenter and work shop, and indeed his entire premises, were overflowed and flooded with water, caused wholly by said faulty and insufficient sewerage ; that by reason of such flood your petitioner has suffered and sustained damage in the sum of eight hundred dollars. Wherefore your petitioner asks and prays your honorable body will take such just and equitable steps in his behalf as shall compensate him for the damage which he has sustained, as aforesaid.

VALENTINE FOLAND.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney.

Mr. Kennington presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—We the undersigned, property holders, respectfully remonstrate against the improvement of the first alley south of Yeiser street, commencing at Madison Road and extending east to Japan or East street.

WM. M. CAROTHERS,

W. LAM,

WARREN TATE,

And 12 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for building a sewer of brick, according to plans and specifications of said Engineer, and on file in his office, on Yeiser street, from Japan street to Madison avenue, and on Madison avenue to Ray street, to connect with the Ray street sewer.

Which was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Mr. Peck offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal be directed to open the alley running north and south between lots 7 and 8, and between lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Burton's subdivision of square 12 of Drake's addition, the same having been closed up by private parties contrary to law.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That George H. Johnson have permission to grade and pave with brick, in front of his property on Second street, between Illinois and Meridian streets, the same to be done within 90 days, and the Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the property owner on the corner of Sixth and Tennessee streets be notified to cut down the weeds on his lot within six days, and the Street Commissioner is hereby directed to notify him immediately. Also, the owner of the property on the corner of Fifth and Tennessee streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the hole at the corner of Sixth street and the LaFayette Railroad with good river or creek gravel.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the proprietors of the Champion Fire Extinguisher be invited to exhibit their Extinguishers in this city on the 15th day of September, 1873, at a test to be made in this city at that date of the Fire Engines to be made at that time.

Which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for a brick or stone wall to be built where the iron railing now is on the sides of the Tunnel on Illinois street, as the iron railing now there is dangerous, from the fact that there is no strength to said railing, and that a stone or brick wall be substituted, not less than 5 feet in height, with a stone cap, and not less than 13 inches in thickness, the said wall to be built under the direction and supervision of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was referred to the Committee on Tunnels.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your petitioner would respectfully represent to your honorable body that he resides upon and owns a lot of forty feet front on North Tennessee street, just south of Tinker street, known as No. 803, in this city, which constitutes the whole of petitioner's property ; that he is a cripple, having been paralyzed, and that his wife is also almost helpless, having been paralyzed, and being at present sick with the intermittent fever ; that he has five small children, all dependent on him for support ; that said street is being improved in front of his property by being paved with block pavement and that it is utterly impossible for him to pay for said improvement ; that he has no other property, and that said property is likely to be sold for said street improvement, and he and his family thus deprived of a home ; wherefore he respectfully petitions and humbly prays your honorable body to make an appropriation to pay his proportion of said street improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK TYNER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals.

Mr. Pressly offered the following motion :

Moved, That when we adjourn it be to meet in regular session on Monday next, at 1 P. M.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Rush offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal be and is hereby directed to notify all builders and contractors who are violating an ordinance regulating improvements, &c., to have the gutters and sidewalks cleaned in ten days from this notice, and use not more than one-third of the street where improvements are made.

Which was referred to the Special Committee on Buildings.

Mr. Shepherd offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be authorized to contract with J. J. Palmer for the repairs of the block pavement at the crossing of South and Illinois street, west side.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby ordered to advertise for proposals for the posting of notices for street improvements until May 17th, 1874, the said bids to be so much per street, bids to be acted on next Monday evening.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Superintendent of the City Hospital be directed to have a new privy vault built on the grounds of the City Hospital, and the old vault covered up with earth, so it will cease to be a nuisance.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That H. Seibert be granted ten days further time on his contract on Douglass street, or until the Committee on Streets and Alleys and the City Attorney have time to report.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to purchase and place in the City Building a letter box.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to set stakes for the property owners on Blackford street, where the same has recently been widened, so they can move back their fences and houses to the proper distances. Also, that the City Marshal notify the parties to remove all incumbrances from the street within ten days.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Mayor be directed to offer a standing reward of ten dollars for the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of dropping stone and allowing them to remain on any public street or alley in the city.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That S. W. & R. H. Patterson be allowed to pave with brick in front of their property on North Alabama street, north of Tinker street, said work to be done at their own expense and under the direction of the Civil Engineer and with the concurrence of the City Attorney.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for putting in stone abutments and building an iron bridge across the canal on Blackford street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the matter of opening Fifth street, as introduced by Mr. Darnell, be reconsidered and referred to the City Commissioners, and that the City Clerk be directed to give the necessary notices.

Which was adopted, the reference reconsidered, and the motion as offered by Mr. Darnell, adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That a fire alarm box be placed at the corner of Douglass and New York streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

Mr. Thalman, from the Committee on Bridges, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Bridges, to whom was referred a motion that the City Civil Engineer advertise for proposals for stone abutments and iron bridge over Pogue's run on Eddy street, recommend that the motion be concurred in. The Street Commissioner's report informs the Council of the bad condition of the bridges over Pogue's run, crossing Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania streets. We would recommend that he be directed to put them in good repair.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC THALMAN,
JOHN T. PRESSLY,
ROBERT KENNINGTON.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Thalman moved to concur in and adopt the report of the City Commissioners, made to the Council August 25, 1873, in relation to the opening and straightening East Washington street from Cruse to Highland streets.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Mr. Twiname offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby ordered to fill the mud holes on Lincoln street, near the Peru railroad. Also the pond or sink hole on Lincoln street near Yandes street.

Which was referred to the Board of Health.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby ordered to promptly fill up the mud holes on Tinker street, near the Peru Railroad.

Which was referred to the Board of Health.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner is hereby ordered to fill the mud hole at the corner of Malotte avenue and the first alley east of the Peru Railroad.

Which was referred to the Board of Health.

Also, the following motion :

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the city of Indianapolis proposes to widen New Jersey street from Home avenue to Tinker

street, to a width of sixty (60) feet, by appropriating five (5) feet of the ground on each side of the street ; therefore,

Moved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to prepare a plat of the street as is proposed to be widened, and that the City Clerk be directed to issue the necessary notices to the City Commissioners and property owners as is required by the city charter, and that the City Marshal serve such notices and make the proper return of the same.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Ward presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, residents of that portion of Pratt street lying between Delaware street and Fort Wayne avenue, would respectfully, yet earnestly remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance now pending before your honorable body for the grading and graveling of said street and paving the sidewalks of same with brick. We would respectfully represent that this street is in good condition, and the health of the locality good ; that several of your petitioners having been heavily taxed for street improvements recently, feel that it would be a hardship for them to be taxed any more at present.

S. F. GRAY,
SOPHIA SCHMIDT,
JAS. E. SHOVER,
And 3 others.

Which together with the ordinance was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Dr. Ward from the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, to whom was referred a communication from Drs. Parvin, Jameson and Todd, Trustees of the City Hospital, recommending that certain repairs be made at the Hospital, would respectfully report :

FIRST.

That the brick portion of the Hospital building be recovered with tar and gravel, and the frame portion with pine shingles, for which work the Civil Engineer is hereby directed to advertise for proposals.

SECOND.

Sundry other repairs are suggested by the Trustees, for which proposals cannot be received or an estimate made upon conveniently. We would recommend that they be authorized to have the repairs made, as suggested by them in their communication, to the brick and frame building on the inside, and report the expense thereof to this Council for allowance.

THIRD.

Your committee would also recommend that the Civil Engineer be directed to make a survey and plat of said Hospital ground not now occupied for Hospital purposes, into convenient sized lots for the purpose of sale, the proceeds from the sale of said lots, when sold, to be applied to the building of a new City Hospital in some other locality, as suggested by the Hospital Trustees.

FOURTH.

Your committee would also recommend that the Trustees and Superintendent of the Hospital be authorized to buy such furniture and other articles as are needed for Hospital purposes, and that they also be directed to have new privies built, and present bills to this Council for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

B. WARD,
ED. REAGAN,
J. H. WOODBURN,
Com. on Benevolence and Hospitals.

Which was postponed until Thursday evening, September 4th, except the first paragraph, which was concurred in.

Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

Moved, That a special committee of three be appointed by the Mayor to confer with the officers of the Union Stock Yard Company with a view of selling or leasing them such portion of the Sellers

farm as will not be needed by the city, to be used by said Stock Yard Company as a part of their stock yards. That said committee are directed to report to this Council whether such sale or lease would be to the interest of the city, and if so, the details of such sale or lease, quantity of land that should be disposed of, and terms on which the same should be done.

Which was adopted.

The Chair appointed as such Committee Councilmen Brown, Craft and Thalman.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—I am desirous of making, under the sidewalks on Illinois street three, and on Washington street two coal vaults, in front of my building, now being erected on the north-east corner of said streets in your city. Said vaults to be about 10 feet deep, and to extend from the building to the curb line of the said walks, and to conform to the requirements of your ordinance made and provided for the construction of coal vaults. Therefore respectfully ask your honorable body for a permit to make the necessary excavations and to build the same. Said vaults to be built within thirty days.

I also desire a permit to use said sidewalks for putting down stone pavements thereon, which will require about 60 days.

Yours respectfully,

E. F. CLAYPOOL.

Which was received and prayer of petitioner granted.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Mississippi street, between Pratt and First streets, and Tennessee and east side of Mississippi street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance for the paving of the east side of Mississippi street between Pratt and First streets. We are opposed :

First—Because the square is in a No. 1 condition.

Second—Because the introduced portion does not exempt that part which is already paved according to the Civil Engineer's stakes.

Third—Mr. Fred. Smith has his bricks on hand for paving his part of the square. Besides, Mr. Lewis Walter has just commenced a

\$12,000 house, and the paving will be more or less damaged before the house is completed.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

LEWIS WALTER.

FRED. SMITH.

GEO. W. KRYTER,

And 3 others.

Which together with the ordinance, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—The undersigned respectfully requests that he may be permitted to remove the three foot brick sidewalk on the north side of his residence property on the south-east corner of Pennsylvania and New York streets, from the south to the north line of said sidewalk, in order that he may have the grass plot next to his residence instead of next to the street.

O. P. MORTON.

Which was received and prayer of petitioner granted.

Also, the following communication of protest :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—It appears by the proceedings of your honorable body on the 4th day of August, 1873, that a contract was let to Bruner and Riner for "building a brick arch the full width of Washington street, at the crossing of Missouri street, and building stone protection walls from the stone abutments of said bridge on the north and south sides of the said arch, the same to be built like the one at the crossing of Maryland and Missouri streets."

I am also advised this day that the contractors are commencing to execute said work under said contract, and are damming up the canal, digging out the bank of the canal and excavating the bottom of the canal, in order to do said work as required by the City Council.

As President of the Water Works Company of Indianapolis, and in behalf of said company, I protest against the construction of said arch in the canal at the place above indicated, or at any other point or place in said canal, as an invasion of the rights of this company.

This protest is made that it may not be assumed that said Water Works Company waives any of its rights, or acquiesces in said invasion, and that it may hereafter assert its rights at such times and in such manner as it may deem proper.

I ask, as a matter of justice to said company, that this protest may be made part of your record.

Respectfully,

JOHN R. ELDER,
Pres't Water Works Co. of Ind'pls.

Which was received.

By unanimous consent the rules were suspended for the purpose of taking up and passing the following ordinances :

General Ordinance No. 62, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance authorizing the issue and sale of warrants.

Was read the second time, and ordered engrossed, and read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Rush, Shepherd, Sherwood, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Special Ordinance No. 275, 1873, entitled :

An ordinance to grade, gravel, pave and curb Rockwood street and sidewalks from East street to the second alley running north and south.

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Anderson, Bigham, Bollman, Brown, Darnell, Gibson, Gimber, Kennington, McLaughlin, Peck, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Twiname, Ward and Woodburn—17.

Negative—None.

Dr. Ward presented the following :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 1, 1873.

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

Gentlemen—I herewith submit the Monthly Report of Expenditures of the City Hospital, ending August 31, 1873 :

RECAPITULATION.

Total expenditures for the month.....	\$1,038 81
Aggregate number of days for which subsistence, etc., was furnished.....	2385
Average expense per capita per diem.....	0 43½

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. DAVIS,
Superintendent.

Which was received.

On motion the Council adjourned.

JAMES L. MITCHELL,

MAYOR.

ATTEST :

JOHN R. CLINTON,

City Clerk.