Proceedings of Board of Aldermen

REGULAR SESSION—July 28, 1890.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, July 28th, A. D. 1890, at 8:00 o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT-Hon. Isaac Thalman, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, and Smither-10.

ABSENT-None.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its regular session held July 21st,

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Common Council:

E. B. SWIFT, City Clerk.

The report of His Honor, the Mayor, (see page 629, ante), showing the amount of fines and fees collected during the month of June, 1890, was read and received.

The report of the City Attorney (see page 630, ante) was read and received.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see pages 630-31, ante), was read and received.

The following estimate resolutions (see pages 631-32, ante), were read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer, Cooper & Co., for grading and graveling the west half of the roadway and west sidewalk of Rural street, from Brinkman street to Pendleton Pike, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set op-

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James E. Twiname & Co., for grading and graveling the first alley south of Downey street, from East street to Madison avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names. SIG. 55.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of F. M. Snyder, for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, from Exposition avenue to Twelfth street, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Roney & Dunning, for grading and graveling Tecumseh street and sidewalks, from Clifford avenue to Orange avenue, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Roney & Dunning, for grading and graveling the roadway of Pratt street, and bowldering and curbing the gutters thereof, from Pennslvania street to Delaware street, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of The Western Paving and Supply Company, for grading and paving with Filbert Vulcanite Asphaltic Pavement, the roadway of Illineis street, bowldering between the rails of the tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad Company, and curbing with stone the gutters thereof, from the south line of Washington street to the north end of the north approach of the tunnel, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And they were concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 10—1 iz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NAYS-None.

The following motions (see pages 634, 643, 644, 645, 646 and 647, ante), were read and concurrently adopted:

That the Committee on Public Health and the Board of Health be ordered to investigate the complaints made on account of the depositing of sewer matter on the city's dumping gr und, north of the Belt Railroad, and to report to this body such recommodations as they deem best.

That the City Civil Engineer be, and he is hereby, directed to advertise for bids for the erection of a wooden bridge over the State Ditch on Talbott avenue; said bridge to be the full width of the street and sidewalks.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby instructed to notify the property owners to have the weeds cut and removed along Kentucky avenue, from Mississippi to West street; and also, the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby instructed to clean the gutters along Kentucky avenue, from Mississippi to Van Camp's packing house.

Moved, That Annie E. Woodburn, J. H. Woodburn, F. C. Woodburn, Jas. A. Tarlton, W. D. and Engie Voris and John H. Prier be granted permission to put down a brick sidewalk in front of their said property fronting north on Seventh street, between College avenue and Ash street. Said work to be done at the expense of the property owners, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to fill the chuck-holes in Louisiana street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets.

That Henry Clay be granted thirty days further time for the completion of grading and graveling the first alley west of Mississippi street, from First street to St. Clair street.

That Henry Clay be granted sixty days further time for the completion of gradding the first alley west of New Jersey street, from St. Clair street to Fort Wayne avenue.

That the Finance Committees of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen be instructed to prepare and execute contracts with John Osterman, Treasurer of Marion county, for collection of delinquent taxes, said Treasurer to retain six per cent. of the delinquent taxes collected as his compensation for such collection.

That J. L. Spaulding be granted thirty days extension of time in which to complete his contract on Fletcher and Wiley avenues.

The following motions (see pages 642 and 643, ante), were read, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and Sewers and Drainage:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to lay a double stone crossing accross Washington street at west end of White river bridge.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby instructed to lay a double stone crossing, across Washington street at the intersection of Bloomington street.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby directed to lay a stone crossing on the East side of Illinois street, crossing Norwood street.

The following motion (see page 643, ante), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in:

That the use of Tomlinson Hall be given to the Committee have charge of the entertainment of the members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, for the evenings of August 20th, 22d, and all day August 25th, without charge.

The following resolutions (see pages 634, 642 and 645, ante), were read:

Resolved, That the Lake Erie & Western Railway Company be and it is hereby ordered to take up and remove so much of its switch track from the west side of Alvord street as lies between Massachusetts avenue and Home avenue, and that the City Clerk serve a certified copy of this resolution on said Company. If said Company shall fail to remove said tracks within 20 days from the passage of this resolution, the Street Commissioner shall take up and remove the same and collect the cost thereof from the said Company.

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company to and they are hereby, directed to lay its mains in and along Stevens street, from East street to Virginia avenue; also, in and along Greer street, from McCarty street to Buchanan street; also, in and along Water street, from McCarty street to Stevens street.

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and are hereby, directed to extend their water mains in and along north Meridian street, from Twelfth street to Sixteenth street, and fixing fire plugs according to contract, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, ordered to lay its mains in and along Harrison street, from Noble street to Dillon street; also, in and along Elm street, from Pine to Dillon streets; also, in and along Huron street, from Cedar to Dillon streets.

And they were concurrently adopted by the following vote:

Ayrs, 10-viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NATS-None.

The following resolutions (see pages 342 and 343, ante), were read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., That it is deemed necessary to improve Pennsylvania street, from the south line of Ohio street to the north curb line of New York street, by grading, paving with Standard Trinidad Asphalt Sheet Pavement, re-setting curb where necessary, and curbing where not already properly done, paving with brick between the rails of the tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad, and requiring the Citizens' Street Railroad Company to pay a portion of the cost thereof, as provided for in General Ordinance No. 4, 1884, in accordance with profile and specifications on file in the office of the City Civil Engineer. The total cost of said improvement shall be assessed per lineal front foot upon the real estat abutting on said Pennsylvania street, (except the proportion thereof occupied by street and alley crossings, which shall be assessed against the City of Indianapolis); said assessments, if deferred, to be paid in ten annual installments. A bond or bonds shall be issued to the contractor in payment for such work, unless the property owners pay said assessments before said bond or bonds are issued; all as provided for in an Act of the General Assembly of Indiana, approved March 8, 1889.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., That it is deemed necessary to improve Pennsylvania street, from the north curb line of New York street to the south curb line of Seventh street, by grading and paving with Standard Trinidad Asphalt Sheet Pavement, widening the sidewalks thereof, re-setting curb where necessary, and curbing where not already properly done, paving with brick between the rails of the tracks of the Citizens' Street Railroad, and requiring the Citizens' Street Railroad Company to pay a portion of the cost thereof, as provided for in General Ordinance No. 4, 1884, in accordance with profile and specifications on file in the office of the City Civil Engineer. The total cost of said improvement shall be assessed per lineal front foot upon the real estate abutting on said Pennsylvania street, (except the proportion thereof occupied by street and alley crossings, which shall be assessed against the City of Indianapolis); said assessments, if deferred, to be paid in ten annual in-A bond or bonds shall be issued to the contractor in payment for said work, unless the property owners pay said assessments before said bond or bonds are issued; all as provided for in an Act of the General Assembly of Indiana, approved March 8, 1889.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., That it is deemed necessary to improve Harrison street, from the east curb line of Noble street to the west curb line of Dillon street, by grading and improving with broken stone the roadway, widening the sidewaiks. and curbing the outer edges thereof, in accordance with profile and specifications on file in the office of the City Civil Engineer. The total cost of said improvement shall be assessed per lineal front foot upon the real estate abutting on said Harrison street, (except the proportion thereof occupied by street and alley crossings, which shall be assessed against the City of Indianapolis); said assessments, if deferred, to be paid in ten annual installments. A bond or bonds shall be issued to the contractor in payment of said work, unless the property owners pay said assessments before said bond or bonds are issued; all as provided for in an Act of the General Assembly of Indiana, approved March 8, 1889.

And they were concurrently adopted by the following vote;

AYES, 10-viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecker Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NAYS-None.

The contract and bond of Gansberg & Roney, for constructing a brick sewer in and along New Jersey street, from Massachusetts avenue to Fort Wayne avenue, was read and approved.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE.

The following entitled ordinance (passed by the Common Council;) was read the first time;

Ap. O. 41, I890—An ordinance appropriating the sum of five thousand dollars for the payment of the salaries and compensation of the Park Policemen, employes of the Board of Health, City Civil Engineer's Department and of the East Market.

On motion by Alderman Breunig, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing Ap. O. 41, 1890, on its final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 10-viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NAYS-None.

Ap. O. 41, 1890, was then read the second and third times and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NAYS—None.

GENERAL ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time:

G. O. 36, 1890—An ordinance to amend Section 28 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance relative to the streets, alleys, sidewalks and public places of the City of Indianapolis; restraining the making of excavations therein, or in lands adjacent thereto; prohibiting the placing of unauthorized obstructions in or upon the same; securing the public in the free and safe use thereof; revising and re-enacting ordinance provisions now in force, and prescribing penalties for violations of its regulations and requirements; "ordained and established September 2, 1878.

On motion by Alderman Smith, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing the above entitled ordinance on its final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither and President Thalman.

NAYS, 1-viz: Alderman Farrell.

G. O. 36, 1890, was then read the second and third times and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NAYS, 1-viz: Alderman Farrell.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Markets and Public Property, through Alderman Blackwell, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:-Your Joint Committee on Public Property of the Council and Board of Aldermen, do recommend that B. Dougherty be appointed Policeman of the Blind Asylum Park.

John A. Blackwell, Jno. A. Weber, M. H. Farrell, Theo. F. Smither.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Blackwell offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Attorney compel the Indianapolis Natural Gas Company to lay its mains along Roe and Grant streets.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 8-viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reynolds, Smith, Smither, and President Thalman.

NAYS, 1-viz: Alderman Breunig.

Alderman Laut presented the following petition:

Indianapolis, Ind., July 28th, 1890.

To the Board of Aldermen and Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:- We, the undersigned, wish you to grant us a license for Mechanical and Theatrical Entertainments, for the term of three (3) months. We are both old soldiers, one of us having lost both hands and part of one arm, also the sight of one eye, and wounded in the right hip; the other wounded in the right knee and left ankle, at Corinth, Miss., in 1862, October 23d, draws a pension of twelve dollars per month. Can you favor us by lowering the amount of regular license? We assure you it will be highly appreciated by many of our friends, both those who JOHN PARKER. were and were not soldiers. ROBERT BOWMAN.

Which was received, and the request granted, by the following vote:

AYES, 8-viz: Aldermen Blackwell, Breunig, Farrell, Laut, Reilly, Reinecke, Reynolds, and Smither.

NAYS, 2-viz: Aldermen Smith, and President Thalman.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.