PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, Tuesday, October 16th, 1877-7 o'clock P. M.

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session.

Present—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, and Wiles—9.

Absent-President Newcomb-1.

The President being absent, Alderman Foster was called to the chair, as president *pro tempore*.

The proceedings of the regular session, held October 2d, 1877, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, the reading of the same was dispensed with.

The Committee on Markets, through Alderman Coburn, submitted the following report, which was received :

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The Committee on Markets, to whom was referred the report of William Show, Market Master at the East Market for the year 1876, would report that the committee of the Council examined into the items, and found them correct, and we can see no reason why the Board of Aldermen should not concur in the action of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. COBURN,
T. E. CHANDLER,
I. W. STRATFORD,
Committee on Markets.

The action of the Common Council, in concurring in a favorable report on aforesaid paper, as submitted by its Committee on Markets on July 9th, 1877 [see Council Proceedings, page 234], was then duly approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message from the Common Council was duly received :

Indianapolis, October 16, 1877.

To the President and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit certain papers, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its last regular session, held October 15th, 1877, for your action upon same.

Respectfully,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL-ACTION UPON.

Report from Council Committee on Contracts, recommending (1) that the contract for grading and graveling Franklin street and sidewalks, from Nebraska street to the first alley north of Yeiser street, be awarded to John Greene; (2) that the contract for grading and graveling the first alley east of Franklin street, between Yeiser and Nebraska streets, be awarded to Fred. Gansberg; and (3) that the contract for grading and graveling the first alley west of Franklin street, between Coburn and Nebraska streets, be awarded to Fred. Gansberg [see Council Proceedings, page 474], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in awarding such contracts, was duly concurred in.

The contract and bond of John Greene, for first improvement described above; and the contracts and bonds of Fred. Gansberg, for last two improvements above set forth, were read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in such contracts, and approving the bonds [see Council Proceedings, page 501], was duly concurred in.

Communication from Mayor Caven, giving a statement of fines collected by him during the the months of July, August, and September, and due the "Home for Friendless Women"; and, also, the amount of fines collected by him during the month of September, and due the City Treasury [see Council Proceedings, page 475], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in approving such report, and in instructing the City Clerk to insert, in next regular appropriation ordinance, the sum of the fines due the "Home for Friendless Women," was duly concurred in.

Report from City Civil Engineer, giving (1) a first and final estimate to E. B. Elliott, for grading and graveling Bellefontaine avenue, and paving the sidewalks thereof, from Lincoln avenue to Tinker or Seventh street; (2) a first and final estimate to John W. Richardson, for grading and graveling Carlos street and sidewalks, between Morris and Ray streets; and (3) a second and final estimate to D. A. Haywood, for grading and graveling the street and sidewalks, bowldering the gutters, and curbing the sidewalks of Court street, between East and Noble streets [see Council Proceedings, pages 475 and 476], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in approving such report, was duly concurred in.

The following concurrent resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 476], was then read :

Resolved, by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed E. B. Elliott, for grading and graveling

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Bellefontaine avenue, and paving the sidewalks thereof, from Lincoln avenue to Tinker or Seventh street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And was duly adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, and Wiles—9.

Negative—None.

The following concurrent resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see pages 476–7], was also read :

Resolved, by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed John W. Richardson, for grading and graveling Carlos street and sidewalks, between Morris and Ray streets, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And was duly adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, and Wiles—9.

Negative-None.

The following concurrent resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 477], was also read:

Resolved, by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing second and final estimate, allowed D. A. Haywood, for grading and graveling the street and sidewalks, bowldering the gutters, and curbing the sidewalks of Court street, between East and Noble streets, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And was duly adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Alderman Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, and Wiles—9.

Negative-None.

Report from City Clerk, giving the following list of affidavits, filed in his office, for the collection of street assessments by precept, viz. :

Richard Carr vs. Charles Ballinger, for \$	66	55
Richard Carr vs. Samuel Hanway, for	61	20
John Greene vs. Mary Enners, for	4	86

And recommending that precepts be ordered to issue [see Council Proceedings, page 477], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in such report, and in ordering the precepts to issue, was duly approved by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Stratford, Wallace, and Wiles—9.

Negative-None.

Report from Street Commissioner, of work done in his Department during the month of September, 1877 [see Council Proceedings, page 478], was read, and duly received.

Report from Council Committee on Accounts and Claims, recommending the payment of a certain claim of \$20.50, in favor of M. S. Bodkin, for livery hire, under administration of A. C. Dewey, in months of March and April, 1877 [see Council Proceedings, page 479], was read, and referred to Aldermanic Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Report from Council Committee on Finance, approving report from City Treasurer for September 3d to 30th, 1877; also, making a favorable report upon the Departmental expenditures as compared with estimates for same, during the five months of present fiscal year [see Council Proceedings, page 479], was read, together with City Treasurer's report, referred to [see Council Proceedings, page 457], and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in aforesaid committee's report, was duly approved.

Report from Council Committee on Markets and City Attorney, returning and recommending the passage of general ordinance

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No. 39, 1877 [see Council Proceedings, page 480], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in said report, was duly approved.

Report from Council Committee on Streets and Alleys, recommending (1) that permission be granted Gillett Bros. to lay an iron trackway across Georgia street, also to take up brick sidewalk, and to put down plank crossing; (2) that the Street Commissioner place two wooden foot-bridges at intersection of Alabama and Sixth streets; (3) that same officer clean Alabama street gutter, from Morrison street to the State Ditch; (4) that same officer notify Willis W. Wright to repair his sidewalk, and that same officer gravel Madison avenue, between McCarty street and the J., M. & I. R. R. track [see Council Proceedings, pages 480–481], was read, and, after referring the first clause of said report to the Aldermanic Committee on Streets and Alleys, the action of the Common Council, in concurring in remaining clauses of such report, was duly approved.

Report from Council Committee on Water-Works and joint Aldermanic and Council Committee on Compromise with the Water-Works Company of Indianapolis, together with the compromise terms agreed upon between such committee and said company [see Council Proceedings, pages 481 to 483], were read, and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in such report, was duly approved.

Report from select committee of Common Council, recommending that the draughtsman connected with City Civil Engineer's Department be dispensed with [see Council Proceedings, page 483], was read, and such report was referred to the Aldermanic Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Report from Trustees having custody of the city bonds issued in aid of the Union Railroad Transfer and Stock-Yard Company, and the several exhibits accompanying the same [see Council Proceedings, pages 486 to 501], were read, and duly received.

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Petition from J. C. Ferguson & Co., for permission to erect a telephonic line, from their pork-house, on bank of White River, near Terre Haute round-house, to Chamber of Commerce building [see Council Proceedings, page 508], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in granting the prayer of such petitioners, after placing the supervision of such work under the City Civil Engineer, was duly concurred in.

Alderman Stratford was excused for balance of this session.

Motion, to instruct the City Clerk to deposit with the Recorder of Marion county, for record, the mortgage executed by the Union Railroad Transfer and Stock-Yard Company, to secure the issue of \$500,000 of city bonds, the expense of such recording to be borne by said company [see Council Proceedings, page 501], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to permit J. C. Smith to lay a stone sidewalk in front of lots 130, 131, and 132, in Spann & Co.'s Woodlawn addition, under the usual restrictions [see Council Proceedings, page 502], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to instruct the City Marshal to notify the Citizens' Street Railway Company to remove the piles of gravel placed by it on N. Illinois street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, and to repair said street to the condition it was previously to its putting in a switch at the point named [see Council Proceedings, page 503], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the Street Commissioner to notify the I., C. & L. R. R. Company to plank its crossing of Sixth street [see Council Proceedings, page 503], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in. Motion, to permit Omer Tousey & Co. to erect a telephone, from their office to their soap works on Morris street, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer [see Council Proceedings, page 503], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the City Marshal to notify the Citizens' Street Railway Company to repair the old trackway of its line on Christian avenue, between College avenue and Ash street [see Council Proceedings, page 504], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in Illinois street, between Vermont and North streets, at a cost not to exceed ten dollars [see Council Proceedings, page 504], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to instruct the Street Commissioner to notify the Citizens' Gas Company to put the streets in better order, when they attempt to repair them, after digging them up for laying gas-mains and service-pipes [see Council Proceedings, page 505], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to permit Dr. Todd to re-pave the sidewalk in front of his building, No. 39 E. Washington street, under the usual restrictions [see Council Proceedings, page 505], was read, and the action of the Common Couvcil, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the Street Commissioner to fill one chuck-hole, at the intersection of West and Morris streets [see Council Proceedings, page 506], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to permit the property owners to re-grade and re-bowlder the alley running north and south through square 66, between

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Washington and Pearl streets, under the usual restrictions [see Council Proceedings, page 506], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to permit John Stroble to erect a private lamp-post in front of his place of business, No. 30 W. Louisiana street, under the usual restrictions [see Council Proceedings, page 507], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

Motion, to direct the Street Commissioner to repair the north gutter of Washington street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets [see Council Proceedings, page 507], was read, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting such motion, was duly concurred in.

The following ordinances (which had been duly passed by the Common Council—see pages 509 to 512), were read the first time :

- G. O. 37, 1877—An ordinance creating the office of City Gauger, defining his duties, and prescribing penalties for the violation of the same.
- G. O. 39, 1877—An ordinance establishing a Public Market on S. Pennsylvania street, between South and Merrill streets, and to extend to Madison avenue, if wanted.
- G. O. 40, 1877—An ordinance to prohibit the driving of Advertising Wagons in the streets of the city.
- S. O. 139, 1876—An ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Pendleton Pike, between Clifford avenue and Orange street.
- S. O. 29, 1877—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling East street and sidewalks (except where such sidewalks have already been properly improved), from Morris street to Minnesota street.
- 8. O 30, 1877—An ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the east sidewalk on Park avenue (where n t already paved), between Cherry and Vine streets.
- S. O. 31, 1877—An ordinance to provide for paving with brick the sidewalks of Fletcher avenue, between Dillon and Linden streets.

On Alderman Chandler's motion, the rules were suspended for the purpose of now reading general ordinance No. 39, 1877, the second and third times, and placing same on its passage, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, and Wiles—8.

Negative—None.

General ordinance No. 39, 1877, entitled

G. O. 39, 1877—An ordinance establishing a Public Market on S. Pennsylvania street, between South and Merrill streets, and to extend to Madison avenue, if wanted,

Was then read the second and third times, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Aldermen Chandler, Coburn, Foster, Krug, McGill, Snider, Wallace, and Wiles—8.

Negative-None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

R. S. FOSTER, President pro tem.

Attest :

GEO. T. BREUNIG,

Clerk of Board of Aldermen.