

City Council Chambers  
April 6, 1851

Council met. Present a full Council.  
Minutes read and approved  
The Treasurer's report, as follows, read and adopted.

Mar. 1	In Treasury, G. Fund Notes	291.95	Mar. 31	By amt orders redeemed	\$ 1220.72
" "	General Fund	142.36	" "	Interest on orders	43.88
" 3	Cash for License for Concert	40.00	" "	St. Scrip redeemed	242.44
" " "	W.H. Holliday's SideW.	24.50	" "	In Treasury Notes	263.70
" 4	" I. Petty's Note & Int	28.25	" "	Cash	354.00
" " "	Tracy Lic. Ped. Goods	5.00			
" 31	Collected on Duplicate	<u>1592.68</u>			
		\$2124.74			\$2124.74
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Mar 1	In Treasury. S. Fund Notes	400.00	Mar 31	In Treasury - Note	400.00
" "	" " do Cash	1170.41	" "	" " Cash	1892.43
" 31	Col. in Duplicate	<u>1047.02</u>	" "	By paid order	<u>325.00</u>
		2617.43			2617.43
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Mar 1	In Treasury, F & T.C. Cash	106.40	Mar. 31	By amt. in Treasury	602.50
	Collected on Duplicate	<u>496.10</u>			
		\$ 602.50			602.50
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A.F. Shortridge, Treasurer

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The Street Commissioners report as follows was read and the accounts allowed:-

Expended in First Ward		\$ 7.75	
Do " Second "		5.50	
Do " Third "		0.00	
Do " Fourth "		9.00	
Do " Fifth "		4.75	
Do " Sixth "		16.10	
Do " Seventh "		<u>4.75</u>	\$47.85

Orders issue to:-

Brockermire	19 days	19.00	
John Smith	1 day	1.00	
Thos. Kennedy	4 days	4.00	
Ferry, 2' fenceposts	5 cents ea	1.35	
Joseph Buts h	18 days H. & Cart	<u>22.50</u>	<u>47.85</u>

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Joseph Butsch, St.Com.

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Accounts presented and allowed

General - Marion Fire Engine Company		3.00	
Relief " " "		2.25	
Sims A. Colley wood & Nuiscances		2.37	
Daniel B. Culley Replacing duplicate burial		60.00	67.62
School - C & I Cox stove etc. 7th W S & C		<u>7.75</u>	
C. King Repairs 3d W S. H.		1.00	8.75

The Marshall presented the following accounts for work done in cleaning Washington in addition to the former allowances for same purpose:

Christian Coleman, for H.C. & hand	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ days	11.75	
John O'Brien	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ days shoveling	4.50	
James Connell	7 " "	7.00	
Lawrence Kennedy	8 " H.C. & hand	16.75	
William Vale	6 " horse & Cart	7.50	
Do "	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " hand shoveling	7.50	
Patrick Sullivam	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " shoveling	4.50	
Edmund O'Brien	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " do	2.50	
Wm. Callahan	1 " do	<u>1.00</u>	\$63.00

All of which were allowed

On motion

The order of business was postponed for the purpose of giving visitors an opportunity to present whatever business they may wish to present, whereupon,

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be supported by a valid receipt or invoice. This ensures transparency and allows for easy verification of the data.

Furthermore, it is noted that regular audits are essential to identify any discrepancies or errors early on. This proactive approach helps in maintaining the integrity of the financial statements and prevents any potential issues from escalating.

In addition, the document highlights the need for clear communication between all parties involved. Regular meetings and reports should be used to keep everyone informed about the current status and any changes that may affect the overall operations.

The second section focuses on the implementation of robust internal controls. These controls are designed to minimize the risk of fraud and ensure that all resources are used efficiently. Key elements include segregation of duties, which prevents any single individual from having too much control over a process.

Another critical aspect is the establishment of a strong approval hierarchy. This ensures that all significant decisions and transactions are reviewed and authorized by the appropriate levels of management. This not only adds a layer of oversight but also ensures that all actions align with the organization's strategic goals.

Finally, the document stresses the importance of continuous monitoring and evaluation. Internal controls should not be set and forgotten; they must be regularly reviewed and updated to reflect changes in the business environment and emerging risks.

The final part of the document provides a summary of the key findings and recommendations. It reiterates that a combination of accurate record-keeping, strong internal controls, and effective communication is necessary for the long-term success and sustainability of the organization.

It is concluded that while there are challenges associated with implementing these practices, the benefits far outweigh the costs. By adopting a disciplined and systematic approach to financial management, the organization can achieve its full potential and maintain a competitive edge in the market.

The document ends with a call to action, urging all stakeholders to take ownership of their roles and contribute to the overall success of the organization. It is a clear statement of intent to improve the financial health and operational efficiency of the company.

Mr. N.B. Palmer petitioned the Council to order the issueing of Street Scrip, on the improvement of Illinois in paying gutter to amount of \$ . It being the expense of paving over and above Engineers estimate.

On motion it was so ordered

Mr. Newcomb presented the petition of John G. Brittain praying the remission of a certain judgment rendered against him by the Mayor of the city; which was

On motion laid on the table -

Mr. Huntington praying that the Council give him the privilege of removing a certain tree laying upon East street, to be used by him for his own benefit.

On motion

All the Council vested all the right and title they may have possessed in Mr. Huntington.

Mr. Tearney presented a petition praying that the Council to repay to him forty two dollars and fifty cents which he says he expended on the prosecution of grading New Jersey street, under a contract which he failed to fulfill.

On motion, Laid on table.

The School House Building Committee made the following report:

Your committee appointed for the purpose of receiving bids for the erection of three School houses in this city respectfully report that they have advertised for bids according to instructions, and received proposals for the erection of the houses according to the enclosed plans and specifications from the following persons at the prices named:

William H. Karns	\$ 1800.00
Christian F. Wishmeir	1732.00
Doman & Knox	1650.00
A. A. Londen	1645.00
William Evans	1638.50
C. King & I. H. Kenneday	1587.00

The several bids are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
 C. Woodward )  
 George W. Pitts ) Committee  
 D. V. Culley )

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Which report was received, and  
On motion, by Mr. Edwards

The committees were instructed to report such changes in the plans and specifications of School Houses as they may think right and necessary at the next meeting of City Council.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Pitts, accepted.

"Resolved, That Joseph Butsch be allowed fifteen dollars for services rendered in discharging ordinance in relation to ditches, etc. in Indianapolis which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Loudon, Durham, Buchanan, Culley, Edwards, Pitts, Woodward, Nays, none.

The following preamble and resolution was offered for adoption by Mr. Culley:

Whereas, the taxes authorized to be assessed and collected yearly for general purposes, are to be limited to meet the necessary wants of the city, And, whereas, This fact was respectfully represented to the Legislature by petition from this Council asking that authority might be given to increase the assessment to the present and growing necessities of the city, and gradually extinguish the public debt; And, whereas,

the members who especial duty it was to represent the wishes and interests of this community not recognizing any particular need for the measure desired, or not seeing clearly the popular side of it, laconically printed to the provision of the charter authorizing a vote of the people to determine such luxuries, questions as whether it is proper to have bridges, well improved streets and alleys, fire engines, and other appliances commonly used in rich aristocratic communities to put out fire, contrary to the platform theoretically laid down, which allows every body and thing to do just as it please; therefore;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Council the interests and wants of this city require an appeal to the people for an increased assessment of --- cents on each one hundred dollars worth of taxable property for the improvement of

streets, alleys, building bridges, and providing for a more convenient and plentiful supply of water in case of fire; Also, \_\_\_ cents on each one hundred dollars as aforesaid to aid in making the Fire Department more efficient; Also, \_\_\_ cents on a like sum for the purpose of enlarging the funds to procure a suitable bell and clock for the use of the city.

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Resolved, that the President issue a proclamation notifying the voters of the city of the action of the Council herein, and that they will be called upon at the next annual city election to signify whether or no they are in favor of authorizing a levy of an additional tax for the purposes aforesaid.

On Motion

The first blank was filled with the word "ten"; Second blank, with "five", and last blank "two", and

On motion

The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Louden presented the following petition:

"We, the undersigned petitioners would respectfully ask your honorable body, the City Council, to grant us the privilege to grade the sidewalk on the west side of the square Number (28) twenty eight on Tennessee Street."

George Stumph  
Frederick Woolting

George Gueers  
S.H.Galpus  
David Anderson"

On motion prayer granted, and

Ordered That the City Engineer be directed to set stakes as prayed for.

On motion

Council proceeded to the appointment of Inspectors of Elections in the different Wards as follows:-

1st Ward	Wm. Wallace	Place of voting	School House
2	" A.V.Brouse	" " "	Court House
3	" I.S.Allen	" " "	School House
4	" Thomas McClamrock	" " "	District I House
5	" S.Hetselgeser	" " "	School house
6	" I.VanBlaricum	" " "	Wright House
7	" B.M.Siebert	" " "	School House

On motion Adjourned to meet on Monday evening next.

David V.Culley President

Attest. Daniel B.Culley, Secy, C.C.