

On Motion by Mr.Pitts it was

Ordered, That the City Clerk procure ballot boxes for the several Wards.

On Motion by Mr.Louden

The Council adjourned to meet on Friday evening April 29th 1853.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor

Daniel B.Culley,

City Clerk

Common Council Chamber

April 29th 1853

Council assembled. Present Mr.Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Messrs Delzell, Louden,Culley,Buchanan, Greer & Pitts, Councilmen.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

The Street Commissioner reported the following as the amt of labor done under his direction in the City during the month of April not heretofore reported:

John Hely	Labor	4.50
Hugh Slaven	Hauling etc.	13.50
M.O'Brien	Labor	5.50
M.Rinney	Labor	5.50
Patrick Griffin	Labor	4.95
Allowed Delzell & Tyler Books & Stationery		29.50
Allowed Horatio C.Newcomb Professional Services		6.00
do Caleb Scudder Mayor Room Rent		25.00

The following bill was presented from the treasurer the City Council Tr.

For the amt of Room Rent, Treasurer's office to date 60.00

On Motion by Mr.Greer, said account was referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Pitts, Greer & Louden.

Mr.B.I.Blyth's account for Street crossing improvements was presented and on Motion by Mr.Greer, so much of the acct was allowed as was ordered by the Council ie 7.00

Allowed Garrett & Davis for two bells for Hook & Ladder Company		10.00
" West & Robb for furnishing materials & making seats for Invincible Co.		10.00
" Joseph Langbein 3 mos. rent Invincible Engine House		9.00
" Craighedd & Browning Relief Fire Co.		16.97
" J.I.Williams bokks for Fire Association		3.75
" Garratt & Dans 4 Hub Bands for Bucket wagon		2.00

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be clearly documented, including the date, amount, and purpose of the transaction. This ensures transparency and allows for easy reconciliation of accounts.

In addition, the document outlines the procedures for handling discrepancies. If there is a difference between the recorded amounts and the actual bank statements, it is crucial to investigate the cause immediately. Common reasons include clerical errors, missing entries, or unauthorized transactions. Prompt identification and correction of these issues prevent further complications.

Furthermore, the document stresses the need for regular audits. By conducting periodic reviews of the financial records, potential problems can be identified before they become significant. This proactive approach helps in maintaining the integrity of the financial system and ensures that all activities are in compliance with relevant regulations and internal policies.

The document also provides guidelines for the storage and security of financial records. It is recommended that all records be kept in a secure, fireproof location to protect against loss or damage. Additionally, access to these records should be restricted to authorized personnel only to prevent unauthorized disclosure of sensitive information.

Finally, the document concludes by reiterating the importance of honesty and integrity in all financial dealings. It encourages a culture of transparency and accountability, where every transaction is treated with the same level of care and precision. By adhering to these principles, organizations can ensure the long-term success and stability of their financial operations.

The Relief Fire Company prayed for an allowance to this Secretary of \$11.50. Was on Motion by Mr.Greer, laid on the table.

Mr.Delzell from a committee on that Subject, made the following report:  
Your committee on Streets, alleys, bridges, etc. report that they have been unable to contract for the building of the bridge heretofore ordered to be let in consequence of City Orders being below par.

Mr.Greer offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to notify the officers of the Lafayette and Indianapolis & Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railroad Companies to grade and gravel Louisiana Street as far as occupied by them; & that the City Engineer be ordered to set the stakes for grade.

Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-. Messrs Delzell,Louden,Buchanan, Culley,Greer & Pitts 6 Noes 0

The following petition was presented

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned property holders on New York Street between Meridian & Illinois Streets petition your honorable body to order that Streets, gutters & sidewalks graded and graveled, and have the same let and done in conjunction, and at the same time with the letting & making of Meridian Street and sidewalks as has been lately been ordered by your body.

Abm L.Voorhees	195 feet	Samuel E.Perkins	195
C.Y.McLean	195 "	George Baker	195

Said work was let to Jeremiah Shea

On Motion, the prayer of the petition was granted, & it was Ordered, That the City Engineer set grade stakes for said improvement.

Mr.Delzell moved that the fine assessed against against Thomas Keenan for a violation of an ordinance for fast riding in the city by the Mayor be remitted.

On Motion laid on the table by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Louden,Culley,Pitts & Scudder 4  
Noes: Messrs Delzell,Greer, & Buchanan, 3



Mr. Louden offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The City Council did, sometime since purchase with the School money Lot No. 4, in Square No. 37, at a price equal at the present time to \$700. At a meeting held March 14, 1853, the Council determined to retain it for Fire Engine purposes; and as a matter of course said sum of \$700 should be refunded to the School Fund, therefore

Resolved, That the City Clerk draw an order upon the General Fund for the above amount in favor of School Fund.

On Motion referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Greer, Louden & Pitts.

On Motion it was

Resolved, That Wm. E. Featherston be appointed Inspector of election of First Ward, in the stead of L. B. Williamson, declined  
By the following vote: Ayes. Messrs Delzell, Louden, Culley, Buchanan, Greer & Pitts 6  
Noes, 0

Mr. Culley from a Select Committee made the following report:

The five cisterns contracted for with Wm. Woods have all been completed three have been received and paid for in full, the fourth one located at the crossing of Ohio & Meridian Streets have not yet been received, having retained the sum of \$22.56 to insure the completion, nothing has been paid for the fifth; Of the five contracted with Mr. Pipher one has been completed \$130 paid thereon but not yet received and another

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nearly completed, the contract price is 50¢ a brl.

On Motion by Mr. Buchanan,

Resolved, That the committee on Wells and Cisterns be authorized to have a well and pump constructed at the Marion Engine House, also one at the Western Liberties Engine House."

Mr. Culley from a Select Committee on that Subject, made the following report:

The committee to which was referred the yearly Statement of the Treasurer report that they have examined the books and papers of the Treasurer, and find them to conform to the report made by the Treasurer, and that the cash reported is in his hands Subject to the orders of the Council.

On Motion Adjourned to meet on Monday evening.

Attest:

Daniel B. Culley, City Clerk.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor.