Council Chamber May 7th 1859

Pursuant to adjournment the Council met this Evening at 71 Oclock P.M. present His Honor Mayor Maxwell and Councilmen Cottrell, English, Geiesendorff, Haughey, Kuhlman, Locke, Metzger, McNabb, Pratt, Richman, Siebert, Tilly, Vandegrift and Wallace.

The minutes of the Council at meetings held on April 23d, April 27th, April 29th, April 30th and May 4th 1859 were read by the Clerk and approved by the Council by a unanimous vote.

By Mr. Cottrell,

The Bond and Contract of Martin L.Coyner for the grading and graveling of Washington Street, between North and South Pennsylvania Street, the Bond Signed by Martin L. Coyner as principal and Bugby and Smithers as Security. On motion by Mr. Cottrell the Bond and Contract were acepted and approved and the Contract awarded to Martin L. Coyner.

Certificates of Election with the Oath of Office endorsed upon the Same were presented by the following named persons, as Councilmen, Thomas Cottrell, J.K.English, George W.Geiesendorff, Theadore P.Haughey, E.H.Kuhlman, Erie Locke, Alexander Metzer, S.McNabb, Jacob S.Pratt, Charles Richman, Samuel M.Siebert, Herman Tilly, Jacob Vandegrift and Andrew Wallace. Also the Certificate of Election and Oath of Office of Byron K. Elliott as City attorney, Jefferson Springsteen as City Marshall, Henry Colestock as Street Commissioner, John G.Waters as City Clerk and James M.Jameson as City Treasurer.

By Mr. McNabb

The Bond of Byron K.Elliott as City Attorney Signed by himself and W.H.Talbot and John M.Kitchen as Securities, which was accepted and approved by the Council. The Bond of Jefferson Springsteen was also presented as City Marshall Signed by himself, and Charles May or Joseph Langbein and Abraham Springsteen as Securities. Which was also accepted and approved by the Council.

Mr. Vandegrift Moved that a committee of three be appointed

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to confer with the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Hall in regard to cutting a window in the north end of the Mayors office for the purpose of Ventilating which motion was adopted, and his

Hon Mayor Maxwell appointed as that Committee Messrs Vandegrift McNabb and Wallace.

Mr. Gelesendorff Moved that the Committee on gas Light examine and report to Council why the gas Lamps on the South Side of Washington Street, between Illinois and Tennessee Streets is not Light with gas which Motion was adopted.

By Mr. Haughey Resolved That the Mayor be requested to dispense with the Hospital Committee and add to the Standing Committee a committee on public buildings. Ayes Messrs. Cottrell, English, Geiesendorff, Haughey, Kuhlman, Locke, Metzger, McNabb, Pratt, Richman, Siebert, Tilly, Vandegrift and Wallace 14. Noes None Adopted.

Mr. Wallace Offered the following motion That the members of the City Council Shall draw lots for choice of desks and location commenceing first Ward, one Councilman Shall draw for each ward and each desk Shall be numbered, which motion was not adopted.

Mr. English offered the following motion That the City Marshall be directed to notify the Indianapolis, Pittsburgh and Cleveland Rail Road Company to comply with the Ordinance requireing Said Rail Road Company to fill the gravel Pit on or near their track between Michigan and Chesnut Street. Which Motion was adopted.

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By Mr. Cottrell

Resolved, That in casting lots for the long and Short terms for the Office of Councilman of the City of Indianapolis that the drafting Shall be conducted as follows the City Clerk Shall have tickets placed in blank Envelopes the tickets to read thus, Short term for the two years term, and long term, for the four year term, two Envelopes with the enclosed tickets Shall be placed in a hat or box, and thoroughly Shaken up So that no Member can tell one from the other, then they shall be drawn from the box or hat by the members from the different wards in alphabetical order, that is, A Shall draw before B and B before C. Ayes Messrs Cottrell, English, Geiesendorff, Haughey, Kuhlman, Locke, Metzger, McNabb, Pratt, Richman, Siebert, Tilly, Vandegrift and Wallace 14. Noes None. Adopted. The following members drew the Short term Messrs Cottrell, En-

glish, Haughey, Locke, McNabb, Pratt & Tilley.

The Following members drew the long term. Messrs Geisendorff, Kuhlman, Metzger, Richman, Siebert, Bandegrift and Wallace.

By Mr. Cottrell. Resolved, That the Civil Engineer advertise for sealed proposals to be recieved on the 14th day of May for the Lumber Brick and other material in the market House on South Street. Ayes Messrs Cottrell, English, Geiesendorff, Haughey, Kuhlman, Locke, McNabb, Pratt, Richman, Siebert and Wallace 11. Noes Messrs Metzger, Tilley and Vandegrift 3. Adopted.

By Mr. Cottrell, Resolved, That the regular meetings of the Common Council Shall be on the 2 and 4th Saturdays of each month. Mr. English moved to stike out Saturday and insert Monday

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which did not prevail. The resolution was then adopted as presented by Mr. Cottrell by the following vote. Ayes, Messrs Cottrell, English, Geiesendorff, Haughey, Locke, Metzger, MeNabb, Pratt, Richman, Siebert, Tilly, Vandegrift and Wallace 13. Noes Mr. Kuhlman 1. Adopted.

By Mr. Cottrell,

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer is hereby instructed to give Andrew Stewart a final Estimate for work done on Virginia Aveanue between Elk Street and Donation Line when Such work shall have been done to the Satisfaction of the Engineer, and the Clerk be instructed to issue the necessary Orders for the Cities portion upon the certificate of the Engineer. (3105) AyesMessrs Cottrell, English, Geiesendorff, Haughey, Kuhlman, Locke, Metzger, McNabb, Pratt, Richman, Siebert, Tilley, Vandegrift & Wallace 14. Noes None. Adopted.

By Mr. Cottrell,

The Bond and contract of Martin L. Coyner for grading and graveling of Deleware Street, and East Sidewalk, between Maryland and South Streets was presented Signed by Martin L.Coyner and Bugby & Smither, and which on motion by Mr.Cottrell was acepted. and approved.

From the Civil Engineer

The Civil Engineer respectfully reports to the City Council.

lst The Contract and Security Bond of Martin L.Coyner for grading and graveling Washington Street between North and South Pennsylvania Street, are herewith Submited for approval.

2nd Also the Contract and Security Bond of Said Martin L.Coyner for gradeing and graveling Deleware Street and East Sidewalk between Maryland and South Streets.



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