

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
MONDAY, JUNE 26TH, 1865, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor, Mayor Caven, in the chair, and the following members at first roll-call:

Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Kappes, Schmidt and Seidensticker—11.

Absent—Councilmen Colley, Jameson, Lefever, Loomis, MacArthur, Staub and Thompson—7.

The proceedings of the adjourned sessions held June 12th and 14th, 1865, were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the proceedings of the meeting held June 19th, 1865, were amended, so as to include the reception of bids for public works, and approved, as amended, without reading.

By Mr. Glazier—Petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, June 16, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—We, the undersigned, Hackmen of the City of Indianapolis, respectfully petition your honorable body to so amend the ordinance requiring us to stand our teams only on the west side of Alabama and Tennessee streets, so as to

allow us the same privileges granted to Expressmen and Draymen; that is, to permit us to stand our teams on any cross street, in no greater number than two to each half square, on each side of the street.

We would respectfully suggest that we do not consider the discrimination in favor of Expressmen right and proper, for the reasons that all Expressmen haul passengers the same as we do, while they pay but ten dollars a year for license, and haul both passengers and freight, and we are compelled to pay fifteen dollars a year for license, and only haul passengers. They are common carriers, so are we; therefore, we claim the same privileges granted them.

The ordinance last passed by your honorable body on this subject, works a great hardship to many, if not all of us, for it has, in a measure, destroyed our business; and many of us, having all our means invested in our teams, and having no other means of supporting our families, will, we fear, be compelled to let them suffer, unless relieved from the restrictions of your ordinance.

Any restrictions you see proper to put upon Hackmen, so as to prevent improper persons from engaging in the business, we will quietly and willingly abide by without a murmur, if you but grant us the same privileges given others.

And further, we would respectfully call your attention to the importance of allowing hacks to remain near the Union Depot during the arrival and departure of trains, for the special accommodation of passengers, and the public generally. Omnibuses, owned and controlled by hotels, stand at the Depot and receive passengers, and charge the same for hauling them that we do, while we are not permitted to do so by your ordinance.

Respectfully,

B. F. Johnson,
Jesse Miller,
E. T. Lee,
Patrick Hurley,
Richard Hurley,
William Courtney,
Halden Davis,
John Paynter,
Abraham Smock,
Lafayette Doughty,
Louis Harris,
James Morris,

Dennis Sullivan,
William Johnson,
James Hedges,
Frank Kaylor,
George Grinstein,
Moses Bailey,
Samuel Patterson,
Thomas Charles,
Thomas Slavin,
William F. Shugart,
Ad. Aug.

We, the undersigned, citizens, respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be favorably considered by your honorable body, and we see no impropriety in amending the ordinance on the subject, as petitioned for.

J. W. Gordon,
E. F. Norwood,
Winslow S. Pierce,
J. H. McKernan,
Abner J. Pope,
McCann & Metzger,
Henry T. Risby,
E. T. Hopkins,
W. W. Weaver,
Abraham Kahn,
Frank Ford,
J. G. Joseph,
M. D. Stag,
Will H. Short,
Jos. Trelle,
M. Woolf,
S. Rosenthal,
E. M. E. Waldren & Co.,
H. C. Foster,
A. D. McCormack,
James Greene,
George W. Sloan,
Frank Sonderegger,
Rud. Schweghr,

James Kirlin,
B. Coats,
G. W. Harlin,
J. Tarlton,
M. H. Whittlesey,
Charles Mayer,
J. F. Council,
Frese & Minter,
H. J. Horn,
Jas. L. Fugate,
W. J. Johnson,
Matthew Long,
W. Kugelman,
Jno. K. Lintz,
Charles H. Munson
W. J. Johnston,
John D. Stillwell
C. B. Huston,
N. Kingman,
Stephen Allen,
John H. Ohr,
W. Jordan,
Fox & Myer,
S. Levinson,

N. E. Heinsheaner,
 M. Collat,
 J. Cohn,
 Ben. G. Stout,
 Rob't Howe,
 Joseph Bilger,
 A. Beard,
 V. Butsch,
 Henry Staub,
 G. B. Kerper,
 Jas. M. Cannin,
 Ellis Barnes,
 A. H. Conner,
 C. J. Brackebush,
 R. L. McOuat,
 H. Frank,
 Kightly & Oliver,
 O. Jones,
 S. J. Affantranger,
 Geo. K. Share & Co.,
 Fred. M. Herron,
 W. Vandegrift,
 T. A. Hendricks,
 M. M. Ray,
 J. Wilson,
 John M. Wood,
 James Duke,
 James C. Sample,
 George E. Gordon,
 C. B. Davis,
 C. P. Weld,
 Geo. D. Staats,
 Wm. P. Willets,
 Sam'l. A. Cramer,
 G. W. Lucky,
 Coss Wimerman,
 George Miller,
 W. M. Mitchell,
 John Bussey,
 Morris Welsh,
 J. McManan,
 Patrick Boyle,
 C. G. Warner,
 John L. Eurich,
 J. W. Kissell,
 A. Shute,
 S. S. Wiseman,
 D. Bacon, Jr.,
 A. J. Myers,
 O. Gould,
 A. R. Hyde,
 John J. Gates,
 Felix Deitch,
 J. & M. Solomon,
 W. Moore,
 Henry McKennie,
 A. L. Casterlin,
 C. H. Heitkam,
 Thomas Kenney,
 J. A. Furgason,
 A. Galvin,
 R. S. Boyle,
 R. C. Mitchell,

E. Marcus,
 Phil. Haynes,
 W. Henry Otis.
 D. L. Stout,
 O. B. Stout,
 Carl Brummer.
 J. F. Haneiser,
 A. B. Willard,
 E. R. Reed,
 Chas. Dehne,
 John Osterman,
 Philip Fahrbach,
 Otis George,
 Joseph Plugel,
 J. H. Stapp,
 M. M. Sulgrove,
 J. Weeks,
 Wm. J. Haskit,
 S. M. Douglass,
 C. Dickson,
 Fred. Borst,
 W. H. Gorham,
 W. S. Smith,
 D. Root,
 King Rose,
 George Uhlendorff,
 S. E. Perkins,
 J. Sutphen,
 Isaac Thalman,
 J. W. King,
 C. E. Geisendorff,
 James Skillen,
 David Gibson,
 C. P. Wiggins,
 F. Goepper,
 Geo. Mansfield,
 Chas. W. Moody,
 James Wilson,
 Theodore Pfaffilin,
 Geo. Lowe,
 G. W. McCurdy,
 M. Hartman,
 D. M. Taylor,
 John S. Bray,
 Geo. M. Jennison,
 D. S. Carter, M. D.
 M. Carter,
 James Renihan,
 Dennis Cole,
 J. R. Neall,
 Wm. & E. Neff,
 J. Caylor,
 Milton Pouder,
 J. W. Stilwell,
 C. Lehritter,
 J. W. Gray,
 Fred. Smith,
 Geo. W. Pitts,
 C. Kuhn,
 J. K. Ferrall,
 James Stewart,
 C. S. Butterfield,
 Chas. Richmann.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 19, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—Allow me to ask you to grant the hackmen of our city a more liberal use of our streets than they now have. I think they should be allowed to stand on all the cross streets, which will make it more convenient for those who wish to hire them.

Your obedient servant,

ANDREW WALLACE.

Which, on motion of Mr. Brown, was, together with the ordinance, referred to the Committee on Revision of Ordinances.

By Mr. Brown—Petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, June 19, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

The undersigned petitions you to grant him the right to build a frame building on a lot fronting the Union Railroad track, and east of John Snyder's brass foundry. Said lot is inside of the fire limits.

ORION THORNLEY.

Which, on motion, was referred to Board of Public Improvements, with instructions to report as to the expediency of reporting an amendment to the Fire Limit's Ordinance, in compliance with the prayer of the petitioner.

By Mr. Colley—Petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body to enact an ordinance relative to nuisances, and submit herewith for your consideration a form of an ordinance prepared at our request, by the City Attorney.

Your petitioners represent that there is an emergency for the immediate passage of the ordinance, inasmuch as there is now no ordinance restraining the evils complained of, and many of us are subjected to great and intolerable nuisances, and therefore pray your honorable body to enact said ordinance as soon as practicable.

Respectfully,

C. C. Olin,
Geo. Carter,
W. W. Leathers,
H. W. Foltz,
John A. Crose,
E. H. Barry,
Geo. D. Staats,
C. C. Burges,
C. C. A. Striblen,
C. B. Davis,
Theo. P. Haughey,
W. H. English,
W. T. Gibson,

C. P. Weld,
W. H. Smith,
W. H. Turner,
Lewis Jordan,
Ellis Barnes,
J. A. Keifer,
P. R. Perrine,
John Johnston,
C. E. Harris,
E. T. Sinker,
J. J. Smith,
E. D. Olin,
T. J. Deal.

The following entitled ordinance accompanied the foregoing petition, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE defining nuisances, and prescribing punishment for the creation thereof,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was, together with the petition, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Glazier—Petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, JUNE, 19, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—Your petitioner respectfully represents to your honorable body, that he was the *bona fide* owner of a city order numbered 5836, for \$75, issued to him in full payment for one month's work in the Fire Department, in the month of April, and would respectfully ask your honorable body to issue him a duplicate order for the amount, he having lost or mislaid the same.

Yours, respectfully,

SAMUEL BLYTHE.

Which, on motion, of Mr. Brown, was referred to the Finance Committee.

His Honor, the Mayor, offered the following ordinance, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE authorizing a renewal of the loans made from Messrs. A. & J. C. S. Harrison and S. A. Fletcher & Co.

SECTION 1. *Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis,* That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and instructed to renew the loans of \$20,000 each respectively heretofore, to-wit: on the 8th and 9th days of March, 1865, made from Messrs. A. & J. C. S. Harrison and S. A. Fletcher & Co., according to the terms of said agreements; and the sum of one thousand six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the interest, in advance, on the same; and the Clerk is directed to draw the necessary amounts upon the Treasury, and the Treasurer is directed to pay the same, in cash, upon presentation.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage.

Ordained and established this 26th day of June, 1865

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor.*

Attest:

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was read the second time.

Mr. Emerson then moved that the rules be suspended and the ordinance read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the rules were suspended and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—15. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

By Mr. Coburn, from the Board of Public Improvements:

OFFICE BOARD PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, June 26, 1865. }

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board to whom was referred sundry matters, would respectfully report as follows:

In relation to filling up the West Market space and contracting with Andrew Stewart, the Board find that it is the universal custom for contractors to put the surplus earth (if any) where the Engineer directs, and Mr. Stewart & Co. having entered into this kind of contract, is bound by his contract to put the earth and spread it to the satisfaction of Mr. Wood, and the Board would further recommend that the contractor for Circle street be instructed forthwith to put enough of his surplus earth to finish the grading of said Market Space.

In relation to the ordinance for the improvement of McCarty street, the Board would recommend that the ordinance be so amended as to include the square west of East street, and the Engineer will introduce an ordinance for said improvement.

The petition of W. Phelps in relation to the improvement of the drainage of South street, near the Madison Freight Depot, the Board would recommend, be laid on the table, as the grading and graveling of said street will meet the prayer of the petitioner.

H. COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } *Board.*
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, }

On motion of Mr. Brown, so much of the report as relates to the matter of filling up the west Market Space with the surplus earth taken from Tennessee street, by the contractor for the improvement of the same, was concurred in; and so much of said report as relates to the removal of the surplus earth from Circle street to the west Market Space was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

On motion, so much of the report as relates to the ordinance for the improvement of McCarty street, was concurred in.

On motion, so much of said report as relates to the petition of W. Phelps, was concurred in.

The following entitled ordinance was reported by the Civil Engineer, in compliance with instructions from the Board, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling McCarty street and sidewalks, between Virginia Avenue and a point where the extension of the west line of New Jersey street would strike McCarty street,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was read the second time.

By Mr. Coburn, from the Board of Public Improvements :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Board of Public Improvements would respectfully report, that the culverts at the intersection of Washington and New Jersey streets ought to be raised, as in their present condition they would be from 12 to 15 inches lower than the bouldered streets. We recommend, therefore, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to raise said culverts to the grade of the street.

H. COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } *Board.*

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Mr. Coburn, Chairman Committee on Accounts :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Committee on Accounts report the following ordinance and ask its adoption.

H. COBURN,
J. H. KAPPES,
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, } *Committee.*

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

SECTION 1. *Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis,* That the following named persons be allowed the amounts set opposite their respective names, from any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, as follows :

Michael Shea, street improvement.....	\$43 26
John Stumph, street improvement.....	390 00
Coburn & Jones, bridges.....	37 23
Alex. Wood, Assisting Engineer.....	30 00
Michael Shea, Assisting Engineer.....	30 00
J. Rubush & Co., bridges.....	412 40
Total.....	\$942 89

RECAPITULATION.

Street improvement.....	\$493 26
Bridges	449 63
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	\$942 89

SEC. 2. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury to the persons above named, and for the amounts as set forth in section first of this ordinance.

SEC. 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Ordained and established this 26th day of June, 1865.

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor.*

ATTEST :

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was read the second time.

Mr. Emerson then moved that the rules be suspended and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—16. Noes, none.

So the rules were suspended and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—16. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

By Dr. Jameson, from the Finance Committee :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of William Patterson, would respectfully report that they recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted. Respectfully,

P. H. JAMESON, }
C. F. SCHMIDT, } *Committee.*

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Streets and Alleys :

INDIANAPOLIS, JUNE 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Chandler & Taylor, report that there is no necessity of the Council taking any action in the matter complained of, as the difficulty has been removed by the completion of the sewer.

AUSTIN H. BROWN, }
HENRY COBURN, } *Committee.*
P. H. JAMESON, }

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Streets and Alleys :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the deed of conveyance of James M. Ray and wife to the City of ground for a twelve (12) feet alley west of south Delaware street, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that the same be not accepted,

because the grant is made conditionally, and that the conditions are such that the Council has no power (in the opinion of the Committee) to make, viz: the exemption forever from assessment for improvement made on the alley of all the property bordering thereon.

The Committee suggest that the deed be returned to Mr. Ray, and in case an unconditional deed is not made within a reasonable time that the orders of the City Council exempting Mr. Ray from the payment of an assessment for paving the Delaware street sidewalk fronting on said proposed alley, be rescinded.

AUSTIN H. BROWN, }
H. COBURN, } *Committee.*
P. H. JAMESON, }

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Mr. Allen, Chairman Committee on Fire Department and Cisterns :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Fire Department, to whom was referred the resolution in reference to the purchase of another Steam Fire Engine, would recommend that, in their opinion, it is absolutely necessary that one be procured at once. It would not be necessary to organize a company for this machine, but it might be kept in one of our present engine houses, and in case of a large fire, or accident to any of the other engines, to be brought out and used.

In case of a large fire a team could be dispatched for it, and one of the engineers of the other engines detailed to run it, leaving his own engine in charge of the fireman, any of whom, from their long experience in the department, are capable of running, in case of an emergency.

In case of accident to one of the old engines, the whole force of that company could be dispatched to take charge of the new one.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM ALLEN, }
J. A. GROSVENOR, } *Committee.*
S. LEFEVER, }

By Mr. Brown—Motion :

That the report be laid on the table, and that the Committee on the Fire Department be instructed to correspond with builders and ascertain whether a good Steam Fire Engine cannot be purchased with bonds of the city, payable in one and two years; and also, ascertain the cost of the same payable in cash.

Which motion was adopted.

By Mr. Allen, Chairman Committee on Fire Department and Cisterns :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Fire Department and Cisterns, to whom was referred the communication of William Wood, contractor for building cisterns, would report that they have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit the following :

1st. That Mr. Wood be allowed the full amount of his bill for the cisterns on the corners of East and McCarty streets and Vermont and Davidson streets.

2d. That the cisterns on the corners of Cedar and Elm streets and on the corners of Illinois and Pratt streets, and on the corners of North and Blackford streets, are in bad condition, and can only be made to answer the purpose by laying another course of brick and cement on the inside. The Committee recommend that the contracts for these three cisterns be declared forfeited; but, in consideration of Mr. Wood's effort to perfect them, he be allowed the sum of \$257 95 in full.

WILLIAM ALLEN,
J. A. GROSVENOR,
S. LEFEVER, } Committee.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the report was concurred in, and referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims for allowance.

By Mr. Colley:

UNION RAILWAY COMPANY,
Indianapolis, June 24, 1865. }

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—This company, having appointed Dennis Redman, Arthur Sullivan, and John Deford, Assistant Marshals for the Union Depot, would be glad to have the sanction of your honorable body therefor.

Yours, very respectfully,

E. J. PECK, *President.*
W. N. JACKSON, *Secretary.*
M. PRINDLE, *Superintendent.*

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Police.

On motion of Mr. Boaz, the Council went into an election for the office of Second Lieutenant in the Police Force.

The Chair appointed Councilmen Coburn and Kappes as tellers.

William S. Johnson received.....	10	votes.
John L. Hanna "	3	" "
William J. Wallace . "	3	" "

William S. Johnson having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Lefever the Council went into an election to fill the vacancy in the office of Day Patrolmen in the Fifth Ward, occasioned by the election of W. S. Johnson to the office of Lieutenant of Police.

John A. Moores received.....	10	votes.
Robert B. Barbce "	6	" "

John A. Moores having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected Day Patrolman in the Fifth Ward.

By Dr. Jameson, Chairman Committee on Printing and Stationery :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Committee on Printing and Stationery would respectfully report that 500 blank requisitions for printing and stationery have been placed in the hands of the City Clerk, to be used by the city officers and committees of the Common Council, in compliance with the Revised Rules.

The Committee would respectfully recommend that said city officers and others requiring printing, stationery, &c., on account of the city, be and are hereby directed to make requisition for the same on the Chairman of the Committee on Printing and Stationery, by whom orders will be given in compliance therewith.

Blank orders for printing and stationery, for the use of the committee, and blanks for accounts and claims against the city, with affidavits attached, have also been ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. JAMESON.
WM. BOAZ,
CHAS. GLAZIER,

} Committee.

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Mr. Seidensticker, Chairman Committee on Revision of Ordinances :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Committee on Revision of Ordinances respectfully ask for longer time for reporting an ordinance creating the office of City Auditor, and regulating the system of accounts of the city.

AD. SEIDENSTICKER,
P. H. JAMESON,
S. A. COLLEY,

} Committee.

Which, on motion, was received and the Committee granted further time.

From the Civil Engineer—Report :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Civil Engineer respectfully reports to the Council :

1st. That the masonry in the culvert built by John Stumph, at the intersection of Market and Mississippi streets, measures 42 cubic yards, at \$7 75 per yard, making ----- \$325 50

Also 118 yards superficial paving, at 95 cents per yard ----- 112 10

Also 4350 feet of lumber, at \$3 50 per hundred feet ----- 151 90

Total ----- \$589 50

I would also state that in the above bill there is nothing charged for filling, as Mr. Stumph did not agree to do any in his contract with the city, and has been allowed for only what he agreed to do under his contract. The filling was done by the Street Commissioner.

2d. The contract and bond of C. S. Roney, for building four cisterns, as

awarded to him by your honorable body, on the 19th of June, one at corner of Georgia and Cady streets, one at corner of Noble and Michigan streets, one at corner of Bluff Road and Ray street, and one on Illinois street, near Louisiana street.

3d. An ordinance for the erection of sundry lamp posts on the north side of the Governor's Circle, as directed by the resolution of Dr. W. Clinton Thompson. In regard to the gates to be made, I would suggest that it would probably be cheaper for the Board of Public Improvements to contract with some builder for their erection.

4th. Thomas Wren, the contractor for grading and graveling St. Clair street and sidewalks, between Meridian street and Illinois, has completed the same, according to contract, and an estimate is herewith reported for your approval.

5th. Sundry proposals for various street improvements, which were presented to your honorable body at your last meeting, but as you did not open them, I kept them in my possession to present them to you this evening.

6th. By direction of the Board of Public Improvements, I have prepared the following Ordinances, and now submit them to your honorable body:

1. An Ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of Vermont street; and grading and paving the north sidewalk, and curbing the outer edge of the sidewalk, with white oak plank, between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets.

2. An Ordinance for the grading and graveling of Meek street and sidewalks, between Liberty and Noble streets.

3. An Ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of the first thirty foot alley north of North street, running east and west, between Illinois and Tennessee streets.

4. An Ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of the first alley west of Illinois street, running north and south through out-lot No. 7, between North street and the first thirty foot alley north of said street.

5. An Ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling of the alley running east and west, south of South street, between Noble and School streets.

Respectfully,

JAMES WOOD, *Civil Engineer.*

On motion of Mr. Brown, so much of said report as refers to the culvert built by John Stumph at the intersection of Mississippi and Market streets, was concurred in, and referred to the Committee on Accounts for allowance.

On motion of Mr. Seidensticker, so much as refers to the contract and bond of C. S. Roney for building four cisterns was concurred in, and the contract accepted and bond approved.

On motion, so much of said report as refers to the endless gates at the Circle fence was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Accompanying that part of the report, was the following entitled ordinance, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for furnishing and erecting lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures on the north half of Circle street, between Market and Market streets,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion of Mr. Coburn, was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Brown, that part of the report referring to the grading and graveling of St. Clair street and sidewalks between Meridian and Illinois streets, was concurred in; and Mr. Brown offered the following resolution: to-wit:

Resolved, That the first and final estimate allowed Thomas Wren for grading and graveling St. Clair street and sidewalks, between Meridian and Illinois streets be; and is hereby, adopted as the estimate of this Council, and the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—16. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

On motion the remainder of the Civil Engineer's Report was concurred in.

The Civil Engineer also reported the following entitled ordinances, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Vermont street, and grading and paving the north sidewalk, and curbing the outer edge of said sidewalk with white oak plank, between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion of Mr. Coburn, was read the second time.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Meek street and sidewalks, between Liberty and Noble streets,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion of Mr. Brown, was referred back to Civil Engineer to ascertain name of street.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the first thirty foot alley north of North street, running east and west between Illinois and Tennessee streets,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion of Dr. Thompson, was read the second time.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the first alley, west of Illinois street, running north and south through out-lot No. 7, between North street and the first thirty foot alley north of said street,

Which, was read the first time, and on motion, was read the second time.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of the alley running east and west, south of South street, between Noble and School streets,

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, was read the second time.

The Civil Engineer also reported sundry bids for public works, which were opened and read.

And, on motion of Mr. Brown, were referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with instructions to examine the galvanized iron lamp as proposed to be used by some bidders, and if, in their opinion, they are the cheapest, to report in favor of same.

By Dr. Thompson—Motion :

That when the Council adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday, the 28th inst., at 7½ o'clock P. M., and that the ordinances for street improvement now pending be made the special order of business, and nothing else.

Which motion was adopted.

By Mr. Brown :

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be, and he is hereby, directed to advertise for proposals for grading and graveling South street, between Pennsylvania street and Virginia Avenue, and that said proposals be received on the 10th day of July, 1865.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—16. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Loomis :

Resolved, That John Gates and others, owners of the property bordering on the alley running east and west through square 62, between Alabama and New Jersey streets, (being the first thirty feet alley south of Washington street) be, and are hereby authorized to grade and gravel the same at their own expense.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

By Mr. Brown :

Resolved, That the Committee on Revision of Ordinances be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting an ordinance defining what shall constitute the lines or routes of the Citizens' Street Railway, so that persons can travel for one fare :

1. from the Union Depot to the south-east end of Virginia Avenue and *vice versa*.
2. From the Union Depot to West street, and *vice versa*.
3. From the Union Depot to the northern end of Illinois street, and *vice versa*.
4. From the Union Depot to Fort Wayne Avenue, and *vice versa*.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn,

Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—16. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Emerson :

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to have the chain gang clean out the gutters on Market street, between Illinois street and the Central Canal, and also on Mississippi street, between Ohio and Washington streets; and that he also have the culvert raised at the crossing of Market street on Mississippi street, to correspond in height with the culvert lately finished at that point, by John Stumph.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

By Mr. Glazier :

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to re-advertise for grading and graveling the sidewalk on the west side of East street, between Washington and Louisiana streets.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—15. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Brown :

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify all owners of pumps bordering on sidewalks, throughout the whole city, to repair the sinks, if any exist, or to construct sinks, if none there be, so as to allow the water to pass from the pumps without flowing into the gutters; and in case any such pump owners refuse or fail to comply with such notice within five days thereafter, the Street Commissioner shall remove the handles from the pumps, and all handles that may thereafter be placed on such pumps, until the sinks are repaired, or made to his satisfaction.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Seidensticker and Thompson—14.

Councilman Schmidt voting in the negative—1.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Kappes :

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to re-advertise for proposals for the improvement of North street, between Illinois and Delaware streets, exclusive of the sidewalks, under an ordinance passed by the Common Council on the first day of June, 1863.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Col-

ley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—15. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Brown—Motion :

That the Committee on Printing and Stationery be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the rule in regard to printing the proceedings of the Council, so as to have the same printed, (as reading matter,) in the columns of the Indianapolis Daily Journal, instead of in pamphlet form, as now done.

Which motion was adopted.

By Mr. Grosvenor :

Resolved, That the Committee on Gas be directed to prepare and have printed circulars, giving all the statistics in relation to the gas works in this city, the number of public lamps in the city, the number of miles of mains now laid, the number of cubic feet of gas consumed per annum, both by the city and private individuals, the facilities for procuring coal to manufacture gas, and any other information by them deemed necessary to furnish parties desiring to bid for furnishing gas to the city, as advertised for by the Common Council.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis and Seidensticker—13. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

Mr. Brown asked and obtained leave to make the following report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, to-wit :

INDIANAPOLIS, June 26, 1865.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The Committee on Streets and Alleys report that it is inexpedient at this time to create the office of Street Inspector.

AUSTIN H. BROWN,	} Committee.
HENRY COBURN,	
P. H. JAMESON,	

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Colley, the Council adjourned.

Present at roll call on adjournment: Councilmen Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Fletcher, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Lefever, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—15.

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor*.

ATTEST :

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk*.