

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
MONDAY, JULY 17TH, 1865, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

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

Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

Absent—Councilmen Colley, Fletcher, Lefever, Loomis and MacArthur—5.

The proceedings of the regular session, held July 10th, 1865, were read and approved.

By His Honor, the Mayor—Petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your petitioners respectfully represent that they are the proprietors of Little's Hotel, in this city; that they cause to be run to the Union Depot an omnibus for the accommodation of the guests of the said Hotel; that in order to accommodate persons living in the eastern part of said city near their Hotel, they have taken out a license under the ordinance to carry passengers, but do not, in anywise, attempt to get passengers from the Union Depot, nor from any other point, except such as they carry to their house free of charge; that the Marshal at the Union Depot requires

and compels the petitioners to station their omnibus among the hackmen, and refuses them a place among the omnibuses of the other hotels, which is improper and unjust.

Your petitioners pray your honorable body to require the Marshal to permit your petitioners to station their omnibus among the omnibuses of the other hotels.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. & E. NEFF.

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

By His Honor, the Mayor—Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The undersigned, owners of out-lots numbered one hundred and sixty-four (164) and one hundred and sixty-five (165,) comprising all the lands contained in and bordering upon Phillips' sub-division of part of said out-lots, hereby petition your body to order the vacation of all the streets and alleys designated in the said sub-division; and in place of the said streets and alleys so vacated we will open and dedicate to the public use other streets and alleys running north and south, and east and west, so that the same shall conform with and be an extension of the streets now open and made public, and which border upon our above described property.

WILLIAM Y. WILEY,
JAMES WILEY.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

By Dr. W. Clinton Thompson—Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

We, the undersigned, property holders on Illinois street, petition your honorable body to cause lamp posts to be erected on Illinois street from St. Clair to First, and as such we will ever pray.

Wm. Braden,	Thomas Schooley,
W. F. Jenkins,	J. A. Pomeroy,
J. J. Cooper,	J. S. Coyner,
Jas. M. Tomlinson.	

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

By Mr. Brown—Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 11, 1865.

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

We, the property holders of Union street, between Merrill and McCarty streets, do petition the City Council that we, the undersigned, be permitted to have Union street, as above described, graveled with pit gravel, that we are in favor of it, and give our consent to the same.

Wm. H. H. Johnson,	D. O. Benjamin,
Gerhard Ittenbach,	E. C. Johnson,
John S. Johnson,	E. Miller,
And 6 others.	

Which, on motion, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with instructions to report an ordinance immediately.

By Mr. Schmidt—Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The undersigned property holders on south Delaware street, and the vicinity thereof, beg leave to call the attention of your honorable body to that portion of said street south of South street, the drainage of which is entirely inadequate. After the fall of a heavy rain the water accumulates on portions of said street to the depth of two or three feet, overflowing the streets, sidewalks, and door yards, and gardens, and filling the cellars; and having no outlet, the stagnant water remains, greatly to the injury of the comfort and health of the neighborhood. In consequence of the condition of this part of South Delaware street, the greater part of the year, it is impossible for those using or living upon the Madison Turnpike, south of the city, to haul more than half loads of wood, brick and produce through this muddy street. They further show that there has been an attempt to drain that part of the city into a pond in the vicinity lying next to the embankment of the Madison Railroad, but the drainage of the pond is obstructed by the embankment of the Railroad.

Your petitioners are of the opinion that South Delaware street and the adjoining part of the city can be readily and effectually drained by a deep and capacious ditch, or sewer, from South Delaware street to the pond, and from the pond under the Railroad embankment, west or south-west, a short distance towards White river, where the natural fall will be sufficient to carry off the water. The undersigned desire to express in plain terms to your honorable body their strong apprehensions that the want of proper drainage of their part of the city peculiarly exposes them to the ravages of such epidemics as may in the dispensation of Providence visit this city. They are sure that there is no other part of this city so much neglected and so poorly drained.

They earnestly pray your honorable body to provide some means to secure the drainage of that part of the city.

C. F. Schmidt,	Joseph H. Avels,
C. F. King,	Margaret Avels,
F. Strangmeier,	Henry Feltmann,
And 140 others.	

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

By Mr. Kappes—Communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 12, 1865.

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

RESPECTED SIRS:—The undersigned respectfully submit the following: For the past few days we have been sojourning in your city, admiring its beautiful broad streets, its magnificent residences, its trade, railroad accommodations, &c., also, that your streets were lighted by gas. Now what we propose to do, is merely to letter the name of your streets on the above mentioned lamp-posts. In Cincinnati, and other cities we have visited, this plan is adopted, saving many an awkward blunder on the part of visitors. Where this lettering is done on the glass, it is equally useful at night and in day time.

Feeling confident we can suit you, should this meet your approval, we annex our price.

We will letter two names on each lamp, (that is on the corners of the streets) at fifteen cents each. We respectfully wish you may consider this matter, thereby securing a favor to your city and to,

Yours respectfully,

STEELE & KIMBALL.

We will wait upon you in three weeks, to hear your answer in this matter.
S. & K.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Gas Light.

By Mr. Grosvenor—Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

We would petition your honorable body to grant to our night watchman police authority during the time he may be on duty at our manufactory, which is from the hours of six o'clock at night until seven o'clock in the morning. The name of the present watchman is James P. Dixon.

OSGOOD & SMITH.

Which, on motion, was referred to His Honor, the Mayor.

By Mr. Kappes—Remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, owners of the whole frontage on Pratt street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets respectfully represent to your honorable body that they remonstrate against the grading and graveling of said street and sidewalks, under the petition and ordinance now pending for the improvement of said street, between Pennsylvania and Tennessee streets, because of its manifest injustice to us in this: That we would be compelled to pay for deep cutting and filling in front of property in which we have no interest. If your honorable body think it desirable to improve Pratt street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets, separately, we have no objection; but we do earnestly remonstrate against the pending ordinance and petition.

John S. Spann,
Ingram Fletcher,
By JOHN S. SPANN,

Wm. E. Wood,
D. Root,

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

Mr Emerson introduced an ordinance entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of North street and sidewalks from the west side of Blackford street to Bright street,

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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

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

The question then being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown introduced an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the grading and graveling of Union street and sidewalks, between McCarty and Merrill streets,

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

Mr. Brown 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13. 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Seidensticker moved to reconsider the vote taken on the passage of the ordinance to "grade and gravel North street and sidewalks, from the west side of Blackford street to Bright street."

Which motion was adopted.

On motion, the ordinance was then referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

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

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, July 12, 1865. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom was recommitted that part of our former report that referred to the creation of a Board of Engineers, would respectfully report that the three gentlemen named in that report, James W. Brown, L. B. Wilson and Fred. Stein, will accept the appointment, and that we will have to pay five dollars a day for their services, and that one of the Engineers will take the levels of the whole city, and the whole Board will only be engaged when making up calculations, consultations, and making a new profile of their work. The estimated cost that they put on it, will not exceed eight hundred dollars.

We would recommend that the above named Engineers be appointed, and that they be instructed to commence operations as soon as possible.

HENRY COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } Board.
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, }

Mr. Loomis moved to lay the report upon the table.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question being on laying the report upon the table, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Boaz, Loomis and Staub—3.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Thompson—11.

So the report was not laid upon the table.

On motion, the report was then concurred in.

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

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, July 12, 1865. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the matter was referred, would respectfully report to your honorable body that as there is a remonstrance about to be presented to your body against the grading and graveling of Pratt street, between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets, while the residents between Meridian and Illinois streets are anxious to have said Square improved at once, recommend that the within ordinance be amended by striking out Pennsylvania street and inserting Meridian street, and that the ordinance be passed as thus amended.

HENRY COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } Board.
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, }

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

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

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, July 12, 1865. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements would respectfully report to your honorable body that enclosed you will find a report of the Street Commissioner of what work he has done in the past month, also his report of receipts and expenses for the same time. We have examined his vouchers, and find them correct, and filed them with the Clerk.

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

INDIANAPOLIS, July 10, 1865.

Report of the Street Commissioner to the Board of Public Improvements :

I would respectfully report to your Board, that I have made the following improvements:

1. I built a new culvert at the intersection of South and Illinois streets.
2. I built a new foot bridge on South street near Pogue's Run.
3. I cleaned Pennsylvania street between Washington and Market streets.
4. I cleaned the gutters on Washington street between Pennsylvania and Alabama streets.
5. I have built a new culvert at the intersection of Liberty and Market streets.
6. I built a new culvert at the intersection of Noble and Ohio streets.
7. I built a new foot bridge at the intersection of Noble and Ohio streets.
8. I filled up the crossing on St. Clair and New Jersey.
9. I filled up the crossing on Alabama and St. Clair.
10. I filled up the crossing on Alabama and St. Joseph streets.
11. I cleaned the gutters on Market street between New Jersey and Delaware streets.
12. I cleaned gutters on Delaware street between Washington and Massachusetts Avenue.
13. I built a new culvert at the intersection of North and Alabama streets, and filled up the low places.
14. I raised the culvert at the intersection of Georgia and Pennsylvania streets.
15. I cleaned Louisiana street between Illinois and Meridian streets.
16. I repaired a culvert at the intersection of Louisiana and Illinois.
17. I filled up holes with cinders on Alabama, between Massachusetts Avenue and Michigan street.
18. I filled up holes with gravel (64 loads) on Massachusetts Avenue between Noble and Railroad street.
19. I re-floored a bridge on South street across the Canal.
20. I repaired with boulders, Pennsylvania street between Massachusetts Avenue and Michigan street.
21. I bouldered 15 feet square on the alley between Pennsylvania and Delaware, and filled up the same alley with dirt.
22. I cleaned the gutters on Illinois street between Market and Michigan and removed the dirt.
23. I cleaned Meridian street between Washington and Maryland streets.
24. I repaired the culvert on Meridian and Washington streets.
25. I repaired East street between Virginia Avenue and McCarty street.
26. I built the bridge on East street across Pogues Run, the work to be completed on the 14th inst.
27. I took down the old walls of the bridge on Washington across the Canal, and re-built the walls again.

28. I raised two culverts on Washington, at the intersection New Jersey, and filled up the street on side of the culvert with gravel.

Respectfully,

AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

To the Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN:—Below is my report of money expended on Street Repairs:

Paid Dennis Shehan,	11½ days, at \$2 00 per day	.....	\$23 00
Thomas Shehan,	7 " 2 00 "	.....	14 00
George Rosenbrook,	11½ " 2 25 "	.....	25 87
J. Piere Henin,	12 " 2 00 "	.....	24 00
John Koehrer,	11½ " 2 25 "	.....	25 87
Wm. Maskamp,	11 " 2 00 "	.....	22 00
Wm. Loeny,	8 " 2 00 "	.....	16 00
Oliver Laly,	7 " 2 00 "	.....	14 00
Joseph Wittmer,	5 " 2 00 "	.....	10 00
Peter Myers,	11½ " 2 00 "	.....	23 00
Wm. Oyler,	3½ " 2 00 "	.....	7 00
John Kerkwood,	2 " 2 00 "	.....	4 00
George Rosebrook,	5 " 2 25 "	.....	11 25
Oliver Laly,	7½ " 2 00 "	.....	15 00
Dennes Shehan,	8¾ " 2 00 "	.....	17 50
Thomas Shehan,	8¾ " 2 00 "	.....	17 50
Wm. Loeny,	10 " 2 00 "	.....	20 00
Wm. Mascamp,	10 " 2 00 "	.....	20 00
John Kohrer,	9 " 2 25 "	.....	20 25
George Rosebrook,	3 " 2 00 "	.....	6 00
Peter Myers,	7½ " 3 00 "	.....	27 50
Christ. Bushking,	3½ " 2 25 "	.....	7 87
August Lasmann,	3½ " 2 00 "	.....	7 00
J. P. Hennin,	10 " 2 00 "	.....	20 00
Charles Koehring,	12 " 4 50 "	.....	54 00
Henry Ritter,	12 " 4 50 "	.....	54 00
Henry Unversaw,	11½ " 4 50 "	.....	51 75
Henry Ritter,	11½ " 4 50 "	.....	51 75
Charles Koehring,	11¼ " 4 50 "	.....	50 62
Joseph Naltner,	10½ " 4 50 "	.....	47 25
Charles Johns,	19½ " 2 00 "	.....	39 00
Henry Lewis,	1 " 4 50 "	.....	4 50
Dick Bredehop for Express	.....	.....	1 00
John Wellsh, 1½ days, at \$4 50 per day	.....	.....	6 75
Michael Shea, 3 loads sand	.....	.....	1 50
H. M. Kemper, for stringers	.....	.....	54 00
McCord & Wheatley, for lumber	.....	.....	37 72
Clemens Vonnegut, for hardware	.....	.....	31 59
Clemens Vonnegut, "	.....	.....	33 90
Richard Carr, five loads boulders	.....	.....	16 50
Discount on \$1,500, orders, at 25 per cent.	.....	.....	375 00

Total.....\$1,309 44

Leaving in my hands of first appropriation..... 190 56

AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

On motion the report of the Board of Public Improvements was concurred in, and the Street Commissioner's report accepted and approved.

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

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, July 17, 1865. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom was referred the communication of Andrew Wallace, claiming damages from the city on account of the change of grade on Delaware street and Virginia Avenue, would respectfully report that the City Council have the right to change the grade of any street or alley, where it is required to better drain the street, and that parties so damaged can claim no damages from the city.

HENRY COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } Board.
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, }

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

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

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, July 12th, 1865. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the bids were referred, would respectfully report to your Honorable Body, that they find the following persons the best bidders, and recommend that the contracts be awarded them.

Grading and graveling west sidewalk on East street, between Washington and Louisiana streets, Cornelius Collins. Grading 65 cents, graveling \$1,62 per cubic yard.

Grading and graveling North street, between east side of Delaware and Illinois streets, James Stewart. Grading 54 cents, per cubic yard, gravelling \$1,54 per cubic yard.

Grading and graveling Bates street and sidewalks, between Noble street, and corporation line east, Daniel Mahoney and Thomas Dorsey. Grading 45 cents per cubic yard, graveling \$1,85 per cubic yard.

Grading and graveling New York street and sidewalks between Alabama and Meridian streets, S. W. Patterson. Grading 55 cents per yard, graveling \$1,50 per cubic yard.

For furnishing and erecting lamp posts and fixtures on Mississippi street between Washington and Ohio streets, Noble street between Market and Michigan streets, and East street between the first alley west of New York and North streets, Messrs. Coulter & White at \$44,90 for the cast iron lamps and \$43,90 for galvanized lamps.

HENRY COBURN,
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } Board.
W. CLINTON THOMPSON. }

Which, on motion, was concurred in, and the contracts awarded.

By Mr. Seidensticker—Motion :

That the Civil Engineer be instructed to contract for cast-iron lamps on Noble and East streets, and for galvanized iron lamps on Mississippi street.

Which, motion was adopted.

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

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, July 12, 1865. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements would respectfully report to your honorable body that there is no bid for the grading and graveling of New York street, between Noble and Winston streets. We would ask that the Engineer be instructed to re-advertise it; bids to be received the 31st day of July, 1865.

HENRY COBURN, }
AD. SEIDENSTICKER, } Board.
W. CLINTON THOMPSON, }

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Mr. Seidensticker:

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be instructed to re-advertise for proposals for the grading and graveling of New York street, between Noble and Winston streets, and that said proposals be received on the 31st of July, 1865.

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

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Coburn, from the Committee on Accounts and Claims:

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The Committee on Accounts and Claims report the following ordinance allowing accounts, for the month ending on the 17th day of July, 1865, and respectfully recommend the passage of the same.

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

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 City Treasury not otherwise appropriated, as follows, to-wit:

Bennett Brooks, Bridges.....	\$220 00
Wm. H. Tuttle, Bridges.....	215 00
John Unversaw, removal of Dead Animals.....	9 60
John Miller, removal of Dead Animals.....	15 00
Stephen McNabb, Specific.....	45 00
Ad. Seidensticker, Specific.....	45 00
Werden & Sumwalt, Books and Stationery.....	5 50
W. H. Craft, Specific.....	51 50
Alex. Wood, Assisting Engineer—street improvements.....	60 00
Michael Shea, Assisting Engineer—street improvements.....	60 00
Amount carried forward.....	\$726 60

Amount brought forward	\$726 60
Cottrell & Knight, Fire Department.....	7 05
Hasselman & Vinton, Fire Department.....	352 60
Lovell Bass, Fire Department.....	50 00
William Pulfer, Fire Department.....	20 50
W. J. H. Robinson, Jail Expenses.....	1,302 30
J. H. Baldwin, Decorations Lincoln Funeral.....	35 80
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	\$2,494 85

RECAPITULATION.

Jail Expenses,—boarding City Prisoners	\$1,302 30
Bridges.....	435 00
Fire Department,—articles purchased by Engineer	430 15
Specific.....	141 50
Street Improvement,—Assisting Civil Engineer	120 00
Decorations for Lincoln's Funereal.....	35 80
Nuisances, removal of.....	24 60
Books and Stationery.....	5 50
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Total.....	\$2,494 85

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 17th day of July, 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. Coburn 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

By Dr. Jameson, Chairman Finance Committee :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The Committee would respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petition of W. S. Johnson be not granted.

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

Which, on motion, was concurred in.

By Dr. Jameson, Chairman Finance Committee :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The Committee on Finance would respectfully present and recommend the passage of the within resolutions in reference to the issuing of orders and sale of property for delinquent taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

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

1st. *Resolved*, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, instructed, to strictly enforce the following section of an ordinance passed May 4th, 1859, entitled, "An ordinance including sundry special powers and duties of City Officers," as follows :

"SEC. 3d. The Clerk of said city is hereby instructed to issue no orders in favor of any party, until after the full payment of all taxes due from such party to the Treasury of said city."

2d. *Resolved*, That the City Treasurer be, and is hereby instructed, not to countersign an order in favor of any party, until after the full payment of all taxes due from such party to the Treasury of said city.

3d. *Resolved*, That any intentional, or neglectful failure, of either of the above named officers to carry out the instructions herein given, shall be considered as full cause for impeachment of said offending officer.

4th. *And be it further Resolved*, That the City Treasurer be instructed to advertise and sell all property delinquent for 1864 and former years, for taxes, on or before the 30th day of September, 1865.

On motion, resolutions numbered 1st, 2d, and 3d, were referred to the City Attorney.

The question being on the passage of resolution numbered 4, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

Mr. Boaz, Chairman Committee on Police, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That police powers are hereby granted to William Oyler to enable him to aid the Marshal as bailiff to Mayor's Court: *Provided*, That the salary of said Oyler shall be paid by the City Marshal.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Staub and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

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

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The Committee on Printing beg leave to report the indebtedness of the city for printing and stationery to be one thousand two hundred and seventy-three dollars and forty cents, and herewith have reported an ordinance making an appropriation for the payment of the same.

The Committee would also report relative to the petition of Clemens Vonnegut, Charles C. Hunt, C. C. Hohl, and many others, in regard to printing in the German language, that, having given the matters therein set forth due consideration, they would respectfully recommend the granting of the prayer of said petitioners, it being mutually understood between E. J. Metzger, the proprietor of the *Frie Presse*, and your Committee, that said petition has no reference to the printing of the proceedings of this body in pamphlet form for the convenience of its members. And that nothing is to be paid for publishing the proceedings of the Common Council in any paper of this city either English or German.

P. H. JAMESON,
WILLIAM BOAZ,
CHAS. GLAZIER, } *Committee.*

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of City Printer.

SECTION 1. *Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis*, That the sum of one thousand two hundred and seventy-three dollars and forty cents be, and is hereby, appropriated for the payment of James G. Douglass for printing done, and stationery furnished for City of Indianapolis, as per bills of Holloway, Douglas & Co., and of E. J. Metzger, and that the Clerk is hereby directed to draw warrants in favor of said parties for the amounts of their respective claims.

SEC. 2. *Be it further ordained*, That the sum of one thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for printing and stationery for quarter ending September 30th, 1865, and that the Clerk be directed to draw warrants for the same from time to time, as ordered by the Common Council.

SEC. 3. This ordinance to be in force from and after its passage.

Ordained and established this 17th day of July, 1865

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor.*

Attest:

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*

The ordinance was read the first time, and, on motion, was read the second time.

Dr. Jameson 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—14. Noes, none.

So the ordinance passed.

On motion, so much of the report of the Committee on Printing as relates to the petition of Clemens Vonegut, Charles C. Hunt, *et al.* was concurred in.

Mr. Kappes, from the Committee on Benevolence, stated that Chaplain LOZIER was present, and desired to address the Council on the subject of the "Soldiers Home for Disabled Soldiers and Seamen;" and moved that the rules be suspended in order that Mr. Lozier may be heard by the Council on the subject.

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

So the rules were suspended.

Chaplain Lozier then addressed the Council on the subject.

From the Civil Engineer—Report :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

The Civil Engineer would respectfully report to Council :

1st. That C. E. Whitsit, the contractor for grading and paving the sidewalk on the east side of Virginia Avenue, between Washington and Alabama streets, has finished the same according to contract, and an estimate is herewith reported for the same.

2d. The contract and bond of Frederick Richter, for re-building the culvert and bridge over Pogue's Run, at intersection of Washington and Noble streets, is herewith presented for your approval.

3d. The Civil Engineer would recommend that the Street Commissioner be instructed to build a wooden culvert on the north side of Ohio street, at its crossing with Tennessee street.

4th. Sundry proposals for street improvements, which are herewith presented.

5th. I would recommend giving to Joseph Kruger, the contractor, a partial estimate for grading, bouldering and curbing Circle street.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES WOOD, *Civil Engineer.*

By Mr. Brown :

Resolved, That the first and final estimate allowed C. E. Whitsit for grading and graveling the sidewalk on the east side of Virginia Avenue between Washington and Alabama streets be, and the same 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

On motion, so much of the report as relates to the contract and bond of Frederiek Richter, for re-building the culvert and bridge over Pogue's Run at the intersection of Washington and Noble Streets, was concurred in, and the contract and bond accepted and approved.

On motion, so much of the report as relates to the building of a wooden culvert at the crossing of Ohio and Tennessee streets, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

On motion, so much of the report as relates to the allowance of a partial estimate to Joseph Kruger, was concurred in, and the Civil Engineer directed to report a partial estimate.

The Engineer also reported sundry sealed proposals for public works.

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

From the City Treasurer—Report :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 10, 1865.

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

The City Treasurer herewith reports the following Receipts and Disbursements from May 10th to June 30th, 1865, inclusive :

RECEIPTS.

Delinquent Tax collected.....	\$2,264 99
Received from Jos. K. English, former City Treasurer.....	639 20
Received from Hon. John Caven, Mayor.....	184 20
Received from Marshal for sale of Hogs.....	43 79

\$3,122 18

DISBURSEMENTS.

Fire Department.....	\$430 43
Police.....	310 15
War Fund—Substitutes	100 00
Pest House.....	100 00
Salary.....	100 00
Wood for Poor.....	10 00
Specific.....	35 50
Elections.....	8 00
Balance to next Report.....	2,026 69
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	\$3,122 18

Respectfully,

W. H. CRAFT, *City Treasurer.*

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

By Dr. Jameson :

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for grading and graveling North street, between Alabama and East streets, and that said proposals be received on the 31st 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, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13. Nees, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Seidensticker :

WHEREAS, It is understood that the U. S. Assistant Quartermaster, in this city, is about to vacate the City Hospital: And whereas, it is further understood that the additions to said Hospital, built by the United States, are about to be taken down:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Buildings be instructed to take the proper steps to procure the donation of said additions by the United States to the city.

The question being on the passage of the resolution those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13. Nees, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Dr. Thompson :

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to make a wooden culvert on the east side of Illinois street, at the crossing of Vermont, the whole width of the street.

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

By Mr. Emerson :

Resolved, That the Civil Engineer is hereby directed to advertize for proposals to be received by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis at its regular meeting to be held on the 14th of August, 1865, for the improvement of New York street from West street to the first alley west of Bright street.

The question being on the passage of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13. Noes, none.

So the resolution passed.

By Mr. Loomis :

Resolved, That C. E. Whitsit be allowed the privilege of grading and gravelling so much of South street as fronts on lots numbered 10 and 11, in Square No. 101, at his own expense, under the direction of the Civil Engineer.

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

By Mr. Brown—Motion :

That Rev. S. T. Gillett have the privilege of paving with brick the sidewalk on the east side of Illinois street in front of his property: *Provided*, The same be done before the contractor commences work on such sidewalk: *And provided further*, That the same shall be done to the satisfaction of the Civil Engineer.

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

By Mr. Emerson—Motion :

That the Street Commissioner be authorized to clean out the culvert at the intersection of Mississippi and Market streets.

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

By Mr. Emerson—Motion :

That James Johnson be permitted to flag the sidewalk in front of his Brick Block, on the corner of Washington and East streets, with stone.

Which motion was adopted.

By Mr. Emerson—Motion :

That David Kreglo be permitted to grade the alley running through his property, between West and California streets, under the supervision of the Civil Engineer, at his own expense.

Which motion was adopted.

By Mr. Loomis—Motion :

That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, directed to examine the "status" in regard to Railroad Avenue, in Square ninety-eight (98), formerly laid out by the "Washington Hall Company," and that he be authorized to send for persons and papers to give evidence in regard to the origin of said street, as also in reference to its present occupancy, and report to this Council without delay.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Dr. Thompson asked and obtained leave to present the following Petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17, 1865.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Samuel Goddard respectfully represents that on the 9th of May, 1865, a city order was issued to him, which has been lost or destroyed while it was owned by petitioner and before any assignment or transfer.

The order was dated May 9th, 1865, numbered 5498, payable to the order of petitioner, and for the sum of \$41 50.

Your petitioner prays that the Clerk may be ordered to issue to him a duplicate order.

SAMUEL GODDARD.

STATE OF INDIANA, }
COUNTY OF MARION. } Sct.

Samuel Goddard being sworn on his oath says, the matters and things set forth in the foregoing petition are true.

SAMUEL GODDARD.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of June, 1865.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal.

BYRON K. ELLIOTT, *Notary Public.*

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the Council adjourned.

Present at roll call on adjournment: Councilmen Allen, Boaz, Brown, Coburn, Emerson, Glazier, Grosvenor, Jameson, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor.*

ATTEST :

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*