Proceedings of Board of Aldermen.

REGULAR SESSION—JANUARY 10, 1887.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, January 10th, A. D. 1887, at 7:30 o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Thomas E. Endly, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail Schmidt, and Wright—10.

ABSENT-None.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held December 27th, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at its regular session held January 3d, 1887.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, submitting the contract and bond of George W. Buchanan, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Fifth street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street (see page 4, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following report from the City Clerk was read;

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following entitled affidavit, now on file in my office, for the collection of street improvement assessment by precept, to-wit:

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 8, ante), was concurred in, and the precept ordered to issue, by the following vote:

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AYES, 8—viz: Aldermen Brown, King, Laut, Prier, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS-None.

The report from the City Clerk, showing orders drawn on the Treasurer during December, 1886, (see pages 4 and 5, ante), was read and received.

The annual report from the City Clerk for 1886, (see pages 5, 6 and 7, ante), was read and received.

The annual report from the Treasurer for the City for 1886, (see page 8, ante), was read and received.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, showing expenses of the Street Repair Department for 1886, (see page 9, ante), was read and received.

The petition of Robert Kennington, for extension of time on a certain contract, (see page 13, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council concurred in.

The following motion was read and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage;

That the Street Commissioner be directed to at once remove the tree west of the first lamp post west of East street, on the south side of Market street.

The following motions (see pages 14 and 15, ante), were read and concurrently adopted:

That the Vapor Light Company remove one vapor light on west Third street, to the first alley west of West street on First street, on the north side.

That the Indianapolis Water Company be directed to at once raise the water plug on the norteast corner of Delaware and Market streets, it being too low to make hose connection.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the Rules.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 1, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$997.90.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS -- None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 2, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,029,07.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 3, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of endianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$75,988.26.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endley.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 4, 1887—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the compensations of the officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments, the Committee Clerk, City Janitor, Assistant City Janitor, Tomlinson Hall Janitor, Tomlinson Hall Assistant Janitor, and Market Masters of the East and West Markets. [Amount appropriated, \$10,975.00.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President Endly.

NAYS-None.

Alderman Schmidt moved that the question of the City paying for the construction of sewers fronting church property, be referred to the Special Legislative Committee, with instructions to prepare a bill to amend the present law governing the subject.

Which was adopted.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received, and the motion concurrently adopted;

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:-At your last meeting, the following motion was referred to me:

"That the permission given the Central Union Telephone Company of this city, some months ago, be construed to require said company to return such instruments where removed from former patrons, in eyery case where so requested; and in the event said company has removed wires used by such patrons, when replaced, such wires shall not be construed to be "new wires;" any refusal on said company's part to so return any instruments where formerly used, when requested, shall be construed as a refusal to "work" under the aforesaid permission, and such refusal shall be deemed good and sufficient reason for a withdrawal of such permission to operate a telephone service in this city."

I am of the opinion that the adoption of the above motion will not grant any additional privileges to said telephone company, above those now granted to said company by the motion heretofore adopted by your honorable body.

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

On motion the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

THOMAS E. ENDLY, President.

Attest: Joseph T. Fanning, Clerk.