

Council Chambers,
Sept. 18th. 1899.

Regular meeting.
Called to order by Pres. Seabolt.
Roll call.
Quorum present.
Absent, Ald. Howell.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication to the Mayor from the League of Michigan Municipalities received and placed on file.

By Alderman Koch:

Whereas, Ten or more free holders residing within the corporate limits of the City of Ann Arbor having petitioned and applied to this Common Council praying for the laying out and establishment of a public alley within the corporate limits of the City of Ann Arbor and hereinafter particularly described, and due notice of hearing on the said application having been given to all persons interested therein, and this day having been assigned for the said hearing, and all persons interested therein having been heard and it appearing to the Council that such proposed public alley and the establishment thereof is a necessary public improvement, therefore

Resolved, And it is hereby ordered that a public alley be laid out, opened and established within the limits of the City of Ann Arbor, State of Michigan, described as follows, to-wit:—Commencing at the northwest corner of lot number fifteen in Block three south, range four east, according to the plat of the Village (now City) of Ann Arbor, and running thence east along the north line of said lot fifteen, eight feet; thence south parallel with the line of lots to William st.; thence west along the north line of William st. 16 feet; thence north parallel with line of lots to a point twenty-two feet south of the south line of lot one in the said Block; thence northerly striking the south line of lot one at a point ten feet west of the southeast corner thereof; thence north parallel with the line of lots to Liberty st.; thence east along Liberty st. ten feet; thence south to the place of beginning.

Resolved, further, That a committee of three be appointed by the President and instructed to investigate and negotiate with parties and report to the Council what sum or sums of money a release of the right of way of such public alley can be obtained for.

President Seabolt appointed the following committee: Ald. Coon, Koch and Vandawarker.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Dieterle, Koch, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Coon, Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt.—14.

Nays—None.

Ald. Brown offered the following ordinance for its second reading:

An ordinance relative to street railways and to amend section seven (7) of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance relative to Street Railways," passed August 13th, 1888, as amended by ordinance passed August 20th, 1894, approved August 22d, 1894.

Ald. Hamilton moved that the ordinance be laid on the table indefinitely and that the speed of the D., Y. & A. A. railway be limited on Main and Packard sts. to the city limits at twelve miles per hour.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Dieterle, Koch, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Coon Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt.—14.

Nays—None.

SIDEWALK COMMITTEE.

Ald Vandewarker submitted a report of the sidewalk committee as follows:

Your committee recommend the construction of stone sidewalks as follows: On the west side of South State st. from the south line of Liberty st. to the stone walk in front of the brick store building and in front of the property of Cynthia Sager and others: and along the south side of E. Catherine st. between N. Division and N. State sts.; and also on the south side of Hill st. and east side of State st. at corner of Hill and State sts.; in front of and along the side of the property of John V. Sheehan.

That plank or tar sidewalks be constructed as follows: Along the south side of W. William st. in front of the property of the Michigan Furniture Co., and east to Ashley st.: and on the north side of W. William st. in front of the property of Frederick Radke and the A. A. R. R. Co.; and on the east side of Oswego st. in front of the property of Mr. Howard:

That sidewalks be ordered repaired

as follows: On the south side of Huron st., along Felch Park and in front of the property of Miranda Lukins and the north side of Catherine, between the estate of Sylvia E. Smith, along Main and Fourth ave.; along the east side of Ashley st. between Huron and Washington sts.

We submit herewith the necessary orders therefor.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANK VANDAWARKER,
Chairman.

Adopted.

By Ald. Vandawarker:

Resolved, that the construction of the sidewalks hereinafter mentioned is deemed and declared to be necessary public improvements.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that stone sidewalks be constructed as follows: On the west side of S. State st. from the south line of Liberty st. to connect with the stone work in front of the brick store building and in front of the property of Cynthia Sager, Susan S. Hardy and others; and on and along the south side of E. Catherine st. from Division to State st.; and in front of the property of Mary J. Maynard, Leonard Gruner, William Arnold, Peter J. Lehman, Gottlob Luick, Arthur Brown and others; and also on the south side of Hill st. and the east side of State st. at the corner of State and Hill sts.; in front and along the side of the property of John V. Sheehan.

That plank sidewalks be constructed as follows: Along the south side of W. William st., in front of the property of the Michigan Furniture Co. and east to Ashley st.; and on the north side of W. William st. in front of the property of Frederick Radke and the A. A. R. R. Co.; and on the east side of Oswego st. in front of the property of Mr. Howard, as follows: On the south side of Huron st. along Felch Park and in front of the property of Miranda Lukins and the estate of Sylvia E. Smith, and along the south side of Catherine st. from Main st. to Fourth ave.; and also along the east side of Ashley st. between Huron and Washington sts.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Dieterle, Koch, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Coon, Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt.—14.

Nays—None.

Ald. Coon moved that the street commissioner be instructed to complain of and prosecute the persons who are now constructing tar sidewalks in the stone walk district.

Ald. Hamilton moved as a substitute that the ordinance fixing the stone district be referred to the ordinance committee for revision and that the committee report to the council.

Lost as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Hamilton, Dieterle, Exinger, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Howell, Pres. Seabolt.—7.

Nays—Ald. Richards, Brown, Rohde, Koch, Coon, Stevens, Bliton. 7.

Ald. Hamilton moved to reconsider the vote ordering the water hydrant on W. Liberty to be placed at the corner of Liberty and Second sts. Carried.

And thereupon Ald. Hamilton moved that the Water Co. be directed to remove and place the water hydrant now at the corner of Liberty and Second sts. at a point about 25 feet west of the east corner of Mr. Schleicher's property and locate the same in Mr. Schleicher's lawn extension. Carried.

Bond of the A. A. Savings Bank for the city money was received, and on motion of Ald. Exinger was approved and ordered filed, and the city treasurer ordered to transfer the city funds to the Ann Arbor Savings Bank.

By Ald. Brown: Resolved, That the Board of Public Works be authorized to advertise for bids for the construction of the storm sewer on Huron st. said sewer to be paid for six months from the time same is completed.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Richards, Dieterle, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Coon, Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt.—12.

Nays—Ald. Hamilton, Koch.—2.

Report of Board of Health was received and placed on file.

By Ald. Koch:

Resolved, That the pavement of Washington st. within the City of Ann Arbor heretofore ordered, in the opinion of the Common Council is and is hereby declared to be a necessary public improvement.

Resolved further, That all of the lands, tenements and premises hereinafter mentioned are deemed and declared to be benefited by the construction and completion of such public improvement, and it is hereby ordered

and determined that all of the cost of the said public improvement, street and alley intersections excluded, shall and is hereby ordered to be levied on and assessed against the lands, tenements and premises situate in the special assessment district hereinafter designated, and the said special assessment district is hereby fixed as follows, to-wit:—All that part of the City of Ann Arbor, State of Michigan, excluding all lands now devoted to public use, bounded as follows, to-wit:—Commencing at the northwest corner of lot number one in Block two south of Huron st., range three east according to the plat of the Village (new City) of Ann Arbor; running thence south along S. Ashley st. to the northwest corner of lot number three in said Block; thence east along the north line of lot three to the east side of the alley; thence north to the south line of J. D. Ryan's land; thence east along Ryan's south line to S. Main st.; thence easterly across Main st. to the southwest corner of the Katherine Building Company's property; thence east along the south line of the said Building Company's property to the southeast cor. of the lands of Andrew Bell estate; thence north ten feet; thence east to the east line of the alley; thence south to the southwest corner of the land of Rinsey and Seabolt; thence east parallel with Washington st. to the east line of S. Fourth ave.; thence south twenty-two feet; thence east parallel with Washington st. to the east line of the alley; thence north six feet; thence east parallel with Washington st. to S. Fifth ave.; thence north to the northeast corner of lot number eight in Block one south of Huron st.; range five east according to the said plat; thence west eighty-four feet; thence south thirty-two feet; thence west forty feet; thence south four feet; thence west to the west line of S. Fourth ave.; thence south twelve feet; thence west parallel with Washington st. sixty-two feet; thence north forty-eight feet; thence west parallel with Washington st. seventy-eight feet; thence south twenty-one feet; thence west fifty-eight feet; thence south seventy-five feet; thence west parallel with Washington st. one hundred and forty-six feet and to the west line of S. Main st.; thence south fourteen feet; thence west parallel to Washington st. to the west line of the alley; thence north along the alley sixty-six feet; thence west parallel with Washington st. to S. Ashley st.; thence

south along the east line of Ashley st. to the place of beginning.

Resolved further, That this Common Council hereby requires the sum of eight thousand dollars to be raised by tax as a special assessment on and against the lots, parts of lots, lands, tenements and premises situated in the said special assessment district and as a tax against the owners thereof; all to be assessed against the said lands, tenements and premises according to the benefits coming to each parcel thereof from such local public improvement, and the City Assessor is hereby required to levy and assess the sum of money aforesaid on and against the lands, tenements and premises aforesaid and as a tax against the owners thereof in the manner and for the purpose aforesaid pursuant to law.

Resolved further, That the City Clerk do certify this determination and order of assessment to the city assessor pursuant to law.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Dieterle, Koch, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Coon, Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt.—14.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Koch:

Resolved, That for the purpose of defraying the cost of the construction of the pavement on Washington st. within the corporate limits of the City of Ann Arbor, the Mayor and City Clerk do execute under their hands and the seal of the city, paving bonds in the sum of five hundred dollars each and in the aggregate sum of thirteen thousand dollars, that being the estimated cost of such paving construction, payable to bearer on or before four years from date and in four equal annual installments with interests at the rate of five per cent per annum payable annually at the office of the City Treasurer.

Resolved further, That the City Clerk do advertise for sealed proposals for the purchase of such bonds and report all the bids therefor to the Common Council.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Dieterle, Koch, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Grose, Coon, Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt.—14.

Nays—None.

On motion the Council adjourned.

JAMES E. HARKINS,

City Clerk.