

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Proceedings of regular meeting of City Council held Tuesday evening, Oct. 3, 1899. Officers present, Hon. Mayor Cobb, Aldermen Brand, McCaffrey, Van Riper, Davidson, Stubbs, Obee and City Attorney Knox.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. G. H. Merryweather petitioned the Council for sidewalk to be laid on the west side of Linden avenue from Maple to Vine avenue.

Same referred to Street and Alley Committee for consideration and report.

Mr. A. J. St. Peter requested that the water main on First street be extended from Vine avenue to his place of residence. Moved, seconded and carried, that the petition be referred back to Mr. St. Peter to secure a majority of the property frontage on the route described in the petition.

Petition of C. H. Heydecker concerning tax sale of a tract of land east of Lake street, claims there was a double assessment erroneously made. Referred to the Finance Committee for investigation.

Mr. James McDonald petitioned the Council to construct a cement crossing in the alley on Sheridan Road, block 18 to conform with the sidewalk on each side.

Referred to the Finance Committee petition of many property owners for sidewalk on west side of Second street from Central avenue north to Elm Place, City Attorney is instructed to prepare an ordinance covering ground petitioned for.

Petition of the Highland Park bank asking to be allowed to place an eight inch iron pole in front of the bank building for an electric alarm box to connect with the vaults, was referred to the Street and Alley Committee with power to act.

City Clerk's report for September shows as follows:

General account Sept. 1, balance in treasury, \$11,639.79; by cash on water rents, \$1,148.79; by cash on sundries, \$66.18 — \$1,214.97; by interest on city deposits, \$36.74; by fines collected from justices, \$57.55; total cash, \$12,949.05. Total disbursements, \$1,664.51;

Oct. 1st, balance in treasury, \$11,284.54.

Justice of Peace Dooley reports sundry cases tried in his court in which the city is plaintiff. Total fines imposed, \$132; fines collected, \$52; fines uncollected, \$80; costs retained, \$18.45.

Justice Holmes reports one case tried in his court in which the city is plaintiff. Fine imposed, \$10.

City Marshal reports for month of September, as follows: Three arrests for selling liquor, fines, \$50; five arrests for fast driving over bridges, fines, \$10; fourteen arrests for bicycle riding on sidewalks, fines, \$15; two arrests for disorderly conduct, fines, \$8; three for building open fires, fines each, \$5. Fines not paid and taken to jail. One arrest for forging a check.

Report of foreman on street work covering detail of work done on streets, bridges and sidewalks for September, referred to Street and Alley Committee.

Report of Superintendent of Water Works gives detail of water department for the month, showing good results in the change from oil to coal for fuel purposes. Report referred to Auditing Committee.

Finance Committee recommends that bonds in the sum of \$500 be issued, payable in 1904, to meet partial expense of rebuilding the Ravine avenue and Buch street bridges. They also recommend that the balance due Chas. McNeil, \$20.48, for lowering water main on Prospect avenue be allowed. The Council approve and concur in recommendation of committee.

The Auditing Committee reported on sundry bills in the sum of \$1,684 favorably passed upon by the committee. The council authorized the clerk to draw on the proper funds to meet the obligations of the city.

The Street and Alley committee reported unfavorably on the petition of Happ & Laing, contractors of Vine avenue macadam on west side of railway track. [They petition council to dig holes in the street so as to find the depth of sand and stone used in macadamizing the same.]

The committee reports favorably on petition of H. Birch for sidewalk on Roger Williams avenue from Railway avenue to Sheridan road.

The Sewer committee reported favorably on giving sewer connections to south line of Prospect avenue for Presbyterian church parsonage.

The committee also recommended plan to relieve lot 16, block 29, of sewerage.

Mayor Cobb reappointed as members of the Library Board Mrs. Henry Street, Wm. J. Obee, and C. G. Phillips.

Ordinances were passed for sidewalks on Second and Green streets from intersection of Second and Green streets to First street.

Ten dollars was ordered returned to parties fined for fast driving over bridges as it was thought that the circumstances of the case were of such a character as to justify the order.

The City Attorney was instructed to notify the owners of property on the south side of Park avenue in block 26 to remove the fences encroaching on the street.

The Mayor appointed John Middleton city weigher.

W. S. Lasher and family have returned to their home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shimmelfang of Warren, Pa., are guests of their cousins, the Zimmers, Hubers and Eichlers.

Mr. George D. Boulton Thursday led a discussion before the banker's meeting, Chicago, on "What May be Done to Enlarge Our Trade in Foreign Markets."

Clarence E. Runey, advertising agent for the Chicago & Milwaukee electric railway, has commenced the erection of mammoth snow fences along the railroad, in anticipation of a heavy fall of snow this winter.

Treasurer A. J. Lauterback, of the Exmoor Country Club, announces the postponement of its annual meeting from today to Saturday, October 14. The cause of postponement is due to the desire of many of the members to attend the fall festival demonstrations in Chicago.