

### COUNCIL AND BOARD IN REGULAR SESSION

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gineer's estimate in the amount of \$2,867.06 covering work performed on the Waverly road and Forest avenue bridges in favor of the Harry W. Greene Construction company, he approved and voucher be drawn in payment of same. The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Brown moved that the following estimates be approved and vouchers issued in payment of the several amounts:

M. L. Bayard & Company—Estimate No. 3, division "B"—Improvements and betterments to water works, \$14,464.00.

Chicago Bridge & Iron Works—Estimate No. 2, division "H"—Improvements and betterments to water works, \$11,350.00.

The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Zimmer moved the approval of the bill of P. Ugolini in the amount of \$473.72 covering the amount due on his contract for the construction of a concrete cement sidewalk on the west side of Laurretta place. The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Gourley moved that Frank Laing be appointed the officer to spread the assessment providing for the construction of a reinforced concrete pavement in North Shore Forest Ridge subdivision, etc., Highland Park Special Assessment No. 341. The motion prevailed.

#### Reject Bids

Commissioner Zimmer moved that all bids for the furnishing of terrazzo at the new City hall building be rejected and the city clerk authorized to readvertise for bids according to the plans and specifications submitted by the architect, Frederick Hodgdon, said bids to be received by the council in open session on Monday, Aug. 19, at 7:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Gourley moved that the city clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the construction of a concrete cement sidewalk on the south side of Walker avenue in front of lot 8, block 43, said bids to be received by the council in open session on Monday, Aug. 19, at 7:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

#### Bids for Sidewalk

Commissioner Zimmer moved that tise for bids for the construction of the city clerk be authorized to advertise a concrete cement sidewalk on Sheridan road in front of the following described property:

- Lot G, Deere park subdivision.
- Lot 62, Deere park subdivision.
- Lot 1, resubdivision, Ravine manor.
- Lot 12, resubdivision, Ravine manor.
- Lot 7, Hill & Stone's Sheridan road subdivision.
- Lot 8, Hill & Stone's Sheridan road subdivision.
- Lot 9, Hill & Stone's Sheridan road subdivision.
- Lot 10, Hill & Stone's Sheridan road subdivision.
- Lot 11, Hill & Stone's Sheridan road subdivision.
- Lot 12, Hill & Stone's Sheridan road subdivision.
- S 100' N 809' E 170' that part SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 31-43-13 lying west of Sheridan road.
- S 100' N 709' E 170' that part SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 31-43-13 lying west of Sheridan road.
- S 109' N 609' E 170' that part SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 31-43-13 lying west of Sheridan road.
- S 73' N 1045.87' E of W 194.8' that part SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 31-43-13 lying west of Sheridan road.
- N 72.87' S 432.8' E of W 194.8' that part SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 31-43-13 lying west of Sheridan road.
- (Ex. N 1045.87') and (Ex. 206.68') that

part SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 31-43-13 lying west of Sheridan road.

Said bids to be received by the council in open session on Monday, August 19, at 7:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Edgar G. Ball presented a communication addressed to him from the building inspector with reference to the removal of the house at the corner of Oakwood avenue and Walnut street and requested the council to use their influence in obtaining some action on his petition for rezoning of this property. The city clerk was instructed to refer the communication to the Zoning committee with the request that they take action on the above mentioned petition as soon as possible.

### RICHARD SEARS TAX REDUCED IN REPORT

#### If Master's Decision is Upheld by Court It Will No Longer Be "Biggest"

The tax against the \$12,000,000 personal estate of Richard W. Sears will lose its distinction of being the "biggest personal property tax since Adam" if the report of Master in Chancery William G. Strong is approved by Judge Edwards of the Lake county Circuit court.

This tax, \$1,703,621 for the years 1907 to 1912, including penalties, was pronounced the "biggest since Adam" by Hayden N. Bell, attorney for the county board of Cook county. Mr. Strong, after many hearings, pronounced it excessive and recommended that it be reduced to \$373,651, exclusive of penalties.

The master's reduction was based on testimony to the effect that other property in Oak Park, where Mr. Sears lived, was valued on a 25 per cent basis for taxing. The board of review assessed the Sears property on a basis of 70 per cent.

Attorneys for the various taxing bodies contended that Mr. Sears' widow, Anna L. Sears, executrix of his will, had no right to object to the tax because she defaulted at the hearing before the board of review. They will appear before Judge Edwards in a few days and ask that a date be set for hearing of objections to the master's report. The case was transferred from Cook county because Mrs. Sears' residence was in Lake county.

Special Master Wm. Strong on Thursday filed his findings in the Sears case with Judge Edwards who set the hearing on objections for Sept. 3. Objections were made in behalf of Anna Sears to the \$24,450 fee asked by the master for 400 court days by counsel for the estate.

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