

Council Chambers,
Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 5, 1900.

Regular session.

Called to order by Pres. Seabolt.

Roll call.

Present—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Dieterle, Exinger, Rohde, Grose, Coon, Stevens, Pres. Seabolt.—9.

Absent—Koch, Brown, Vandawarker, Weeks, Howell, Bliton.—6.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of C. W. Wagner et al, asking for an electric light at the intersection of Oakland ave. and Arch st., was received and referred to the Lighting Committee.

Entered Ald. Bliton.

Petition of J. A. Jaycox et al, relative to paving Huron st., received and read.

Entered Ald. Weeks and Brown during discussion of above petition.

Petition and resolutions of Dr. W. J. Herdman et al, relative to pavement, received and referred to Board of Public Works.

By Ald. Brown:

Ald. Brown moved to take from the table and put on its passage the resolution of Ald. Koch, relating to the ordering of the pavement of Huron st.

By Ald. Koch:

Whereas, this Common Council has been applied to in writing by a majority of the owners of the lands and premises which are liable to be assessed for the payment of the construction of the same, praying for the grading and paving of Huron st., from the west line of Ashley st. to the east line of State st. within the corporate limits of the city of Ann Arbor, Michigan;

And whereas, the grading and paving of that part of Huron st. within the limits aforesaid, is deemed and hereby declared to be a necessary public improvement; therefore

Resolved, and it is hereby declared to be the purpose of the Common Council to cause Huron st. within the limits aforesaid, to be graded and paved under the charter and ordinances of the city of Ann Arbor, and in pursuance of the prayer of the said petitioners.

Resolved further, that the cost and expense of the construction of such public improvement shall be charged, assessed and paid as follows: All street and public alley intersections and to the

center of the street in front of all county and city property, shall be charged to and paid from the street fund, and all the remainder of the cost and expense shall be raised, assessed and paid by special assessment levied and assessed according to benefits on and against all the lands, tenements and premises lying on or fronting Huron st. within the limits aforesaid.

Resolved further, that the said petition along with this determination, be and the same is hereby referred to the Board of Public Works with directions to report to the Council with all convenient despatch suitable plans with specifications for the said proposed improvement, the kind and quantity of materials to be used therefor together with an estimate of the probable cost and expense of such proposed public improvement.

Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

Petition of Norman A. Wood, asking for electric light at intersection of Forest ave. and S. University ave., was received and referred to Lighting Committee.

A communication from the Board of Public Works relative to Engine House was received and concurred in.

By Ald. Brown:

That \$75.00 be appropriated for furnishing materials for building a partition in Engine House.

Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

A communication from the Board of Public Works relative to changing the name of Spring and Myrtle st. was received and referred to the Ordinance Committee.

A communication from the Board of Public Works relative to the acceptance of New Jersey ave. was received and referred to the Street Committee and City Attorney.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 2, 1900.
To the Common Council.
Gentlemen.—Your committee on fi-

nance have had the following bills under consideration and would recommend their allowance and that warrants be drawn for the same.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Geo. F. Key, salary	\$ 100 00
E. L. Seyler, salary	83 34
Oscar D. Luick, salary	8 32
E. B. Norris, salary	50 00
J. E. Harkins, salary	83 34
M. E. Easterly, salary	20 00
Dr. E. A. Clark, salary	37 50
Dr. Spitzley, salary	25 00
Eli W. Moore, salary	12 50
H. B. Dodsley, salary	25 00
Mrs. C. A. Green, rent	29 17
F. Stofflet, supplies	85
W. N. Salisbury, oxalic acid	1 00
Geo. Wahr, supplies	35 80
J. E. Harkins, stamps, etc	4 30
O. D. Luick, stamps, etc	14 00
A. A. Elec. Light Co., lighting	633 25
Henry Richards, coal	5 00
Kenney & Quinlan, repair work	1 00
Dr. E. A. Clark, postage for Board of Health	2 35
A. A. Agricultural Co., new grates	11 48
Inland Press, 30 Corey briefs and 5,000 orders	37 50
Martin Schaller, supplies	7 20
C. F. Meyers, circulars	1 00
Hausfreund und Post, 750 tax notices	1 75
Michael Staebler, coal	16 25
Washtenaw Evening Times, printing	37 80
Kenney & Quinlan, supplies and repair work	11 15
A. A. Gas Co., lighting court house tower; gas used in council room, and also in city offices	45 88
Daniel Hiscock & Son, coal	13 00
Julius Funke, dragging 7 hogs out of river and disposing of same	3 00
David Crawford, dray for drawing 7 hogs off	1 00
Total	\$1,358 73

STREET FUND.

D. J. Ross, salary	66 66
Don McIntyre, hand labor	2 40
George W. Weeks, labor—men and teams	25 10
C. E. Goodfrey, trucking stone yard to culvert on W. William st	1 00

Bailey & Edmunds, repair work	1 65
S. J. Beardsley, 1 doz. brooms	3 75
Henry Richards, pair plow handles	1 25
F. B. Stevens, brick	34 24
Christ Bonnin, paving Earl Ware's driveway	2 00
Esslinger Bros., repair work	4 80
Kenney & Quinlan, supplies	1 80
A. A. Savings Bank, accounts assigned as follows:	
Martin Brochlacher	14 40
C. H. Thompson	3 00
M. M. Wheelock	1 50
Peter Rodgers	3 60
Charles Aulber	3 75
Thomas Hannon	90
Michael Heary	1 50
Michael Williams	12 00
F. S. Gaeckle	6 00
F. S. Gaeckle	6 00
Albert Rohde	11 75
Martin Brochlacher	12 00
John Kittle	1 50
James Mason	1 05
W. J. Randall	1 50
C. J. Snyder	3 00
John Kittle	1 50
Michael Hession	1 35
M. M. Wheelock	1 50
Michael Heary	1 50
James Mason	2 35
George Tower	1 50
John Mason	4 50
Thomas Hannon	3 00
Martin Brochlacher	7 20
Michael Williams	7 20
Philip Exinger	2 25
F. S. Gaeckle	7 20
John McHugh	1 50
W. J. Randall	1 50
M. M. Wheelock	1 50
Charles Janowski	1 35
F. E. Bartlett	1 50
Bernard Morrison	1 00
Michael Williams	14 40
Thomas Eagle	1 80
John Mason	11 70
Michael Hession	6 38
Mason James	9 38
Total	\$321 25

BRIDGE, CULVERT & CROSSWALK FUND

Peter Hanson, labor	\$ 1 50
Edward Easterly, labor	1 50
State Savings Bank, lumber, signed by E. L. Brown of Ypsilanti	347 61
Total	\$ 350 61

FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND.

Fred Siple, salary.....\$	60 00
C. A. Edwards, salary.....	55 00
Max Whitlinger, salary.....	50 00
Albert West, salary.....	50 00
Eugene Williams, salary.....	50 00
Henry McLaren, salary.....	50 00
Herman Kirn, salary.....	50 00
Samuel McLaren, salary.....	50 00
Charles Andrews, salary.....	45 00
Charles Carroll, salary.....	25 00
Ed. Hoelzle, salary.....	8 00
Geo. Hoelzle, salary.....	8 00
Ed. Hill, salary.....	8 00
Ralph Edwards, salary.....	8 00
Fred Nordman, salary.....	8 00
Mrs. Ream, washing.....	6 00
Bigalke & Reule, oats.....	13 61
Heinzmann & Laubengayer, supplies.....	4 75
Henry Richards, coal.....	20 86
Goodale & Co., corn and bran.....	2 49
D. J. Malloy, supplies and re- pairs.....	8 35
Muehlig & Schmid, polish.....	2 50
J. J. Foster, repairing rubber coats.....	1 00
H. J. Brown, drugs.....	2 40
Kenney & Quinlan supplies.....	3 27
James Donegan, horseshoeing.....	5 60
Geo. W. Sweet, straw.....	80
A. A. Gas Co. lighting and sup- plies.....	66 46
Walker & Co., wagon shaft.....	4 00
E. B. Hall, coal.....	13 00
Total.....	\$ 680 09

POLICE FUND.

Wm. Gerstner, salary.....\$	75 00
John O' Mara, salary.....	50 00
David Collins, salary.....	50 00
Geo. Isbell, salary.....	50 00
John Armbruster, salary.....	50 00

Total.....\$ 275 00

POOR FUND.

Fred Siple, salary.....\$	10 00
H. J. Brown, prescription.....	65
E. E. Calkins, supplies.....	3 05
The Goodyear Drug Co., pre- scriptions.....	1 40
S. W. Willard, supplies.....	3 50
Bigalke & Reule, groceries.....	2 49
James Boyle, groceries.....	10 29
J. Goetz & Son, groceries.....	7 24
Gruner & Lutz, shoes and rub- bers.....	1 80
J. Goetz, jr., groceries.....	12 27
G. Hoeffler, groceries.....	4 00
A. Hagen, groceries.....	10 00

Henne & Stanger, coffin.....	10 00
E. B. Hall, coal.....	6 50
A. G. Koch, groceries.....	2 74
A. Kearney, groceries.....	3 00
W. F. Lodholz, groceries.....	8 42
Parsons & Co., groceries.....	3 71
C. F. Pardon, groceries.....	3 00
Louis Rohde, coal.....	13 00
Rinsey & Seabolt, groceries.....	6 00
C. Rinsey, groceries.....	4 81
Robison & Co., 1 to county house.....	1 00
W. F. Stimson, groceries.....	4 42
Seabolt Bros., groceries.....	87
Geo. Spathelf, meat.....	1 25
Schumacher & Miller, medicine.....	50
C. W. Vogel, meat.....	35
John Wahr, shoes.....	2 80
L. C. Weinmann, meat.....	55
Chas. Zuern, meat.....	1 19
A. A. Savings Bank, account assigned on bill on June 8, of Chas. Zuern and it was not called for.....	19
Grand total.....	\$ 140 99

STATE DOG TAX FUND.

Joseph Blackburn, burying three dogs and one cat.....	2 00
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GENERAL SEWER FUND.

Hutzel & Co., labor.....\$	13 98
Oscar Luick; this warrant was assigned by Mr. Glasenapp making sewer connections.....	4 95
Kenney & Quinlan, labor and supplies.....	29 25
Michael Hession, hand labor.....	75
John McHugh, team.....	6 60
Willis Clark, sewer work.....	16 05
Julius Funke, sewer work.....	49 35
J. G. Birchfield, 4 trips of dray.....	1 60

Total.....\$ 122 53

RECAPITULATION.

Contingent fund.....	\$1,358 73
Street fund.....	321 25
Bridge, culvert and crosswalk fund.....	350 61
Fire fund.....	680 09
Police fund.....	275 06
Poor fund.....	140 99
State dog tax fund.....	2 00
General sewer fund.....	122 53
Total.....	\$3,598 61

Respectfully submitted,
F. M. HAMILTON,
EMMET COON,
ARTHUR BROWN.

Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

The finance committee was given further time in the Ascher Terry case.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

To the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your special committee appointed with instructions to report some suitable method of determining the reasonableness of the present water rates.

Beg leave respectfully to report having had the subject under consideration, we are of the opinion that the present water rates are so high and water for domestic purposes is so expensive that a thorough investigation of the subject ought to be made by the council with a view of determining

1st—Are the present rates for water for domestic purposes reasonable?

2nd—If not reasonable, what would be a fair and reasonable rate?

3rd—If the present water rates are remedy, if any is within the power of the council to correct the same.

Your committee would therefore recommend that a special committee of five members of the council be appointed with directions to investigate the whole subject of water rates, their reasonableness, the committee to have power and authority to examine witnesses, send for and to require the production of books and papers; and the attendance of witnesses; and to report by way of ordinance, or otherwise, a suitable method for fixing and imposing reasonable rates for supplying water for domestic purposes.

Your committee submit herewith a suitable resolution for such purpose and beg to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

EMMETT COON,
A. B. STEVENS,
F. M. HAMILTON,
WILHELM H. L. ROHDE,
GEORGE W. WEEKS,
Committee.

By Ald. Coon:

Whereas certain of the residents of the city are complaining of the excessive charges being made by the Ann Arbor Water Company for supplying water for domestic purposes,

Therefore, resolved, that a special committee of five be appointed by the president, with instructions to investigate the question of water rates for domestic purposes, that such committee be empowered and to have power and authority to send for and require the production of books and papers; and the attendance of witnesses; to examine persons under oath or otherwise, and report to the council with all convenient dispatch whether there is just cause for such complaint, and whether the charges for the supplying of water to the inhabitants for domestic purposes are fair and reasonable, and to report by way of ordinance, or otherwise, some suitable method of fixing and establishing such water rates on a fair and reasonable basis.

Ald. Hamilton moved that we adopt report and resolution.

Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

Pres. Seabolt then appointed the following committee:

Ald. Coon, Hamilton, Koch, Rohde, Stevens.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS.

The city marshal's report was received and placed on file.

City Physician's report received and placed on file.

City Treasurer's report received and placed on file.

City Clerk's report received and placed on file.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Ann Arbor, Mich, Jan 31, 1900.

The following is the City Treasurer's report for the month ending January 31st, 1900:

CITY FUND.

MONEY RECEIVED.

Contingent fund	
Harkins, J. E., warrant returned licence.....	\$13 75
City Cemetery Fund.	
Harkins, J. E.....	20 00
Dog fund.	
Harkins, J. E.	1 00
State Dog Tax.	
Tax collected during Jan. 1900....	21 00
Police fund.	
Duffy, J. L., fines.....	15 00
Gerstner, W. C., fees.....	9 80
School Dis. No. 1	
Tax collected during Jan. 1900....	5869 75
School Dis. No. 15.	
Tax collected during Jan 1900....	1 87

Uncollected City Tax.	
Tax collected during Jan., 1900...	2,200 00
Washtenaw Co. Treas.	
Tax coll. during Jan., 1900, state...	3,262 45
" " " " " county.	949 19
Total	\$ 12,372 81
Total amount on hand last report..	33,895 95
Total	\$ 46,268 76

MONEY DISBURSED, WARRANTS PAID.

Contingent fund.....	\$ 835 25
State dog tax fund.....	50
Fire fund.....	142 20
Poor ".....	333 08
Police ".....	51 57
Street ".....	623 01
Water ".....	3,332 39
School Dis. No. 1.	
Paid J. E. Beal, treas., by check..	15,000 00
Washtenaw County Treasurer.	
Paid G. J. Mann, treas., by check.	20,884 33
Total	\$ 41,905 33
Balance on hand.....	5,063 43

CONDITION OF CITY FUNDS, FEB 1, 1900.

ON HAND OV'R'DWN

Bridge, culv'rt and cross-walk fund.....	\$ 8,861 51	
Contingent fund.....		\$8,750 27
City Cemetery fund.....	74 71	
Dog license fund.....	334 50	
State Dog tax.....	903 25	
Delinquent tax fund.....		935 03
Fire fund.....	3,754 27	
Poor fund.....	1,110 81	
Police fund.....	6 0 67	
Street fund.....		7,718 99
School Dis. No. 1.....	8,005 31	
" " 15.....	10 52	
Uncollected City Tax Fund		2,579 21
Water fund.....		1,989 65
Excess of rolls.....	518 30	
Uncollected sidewalk tax..	29 61	
State and County tax.....	2787 62	
Uncollected rejected tax..	5 50	
Total	\$27036 58	\$21973 15
Balance on hand.....		5063 43

SEWER FUND.

MONEY RECEIVED.

Tax account lateral sewer No. 3....	\$ 558 36
" " " " " 4....	44 32
" " " " " 5....	136 68
" " " " " 6....	180 17
Total	\$919 53

MONEY DISBURSED. WARRANTS PAID.

Main sewer fund.....	\$ 53 37
Total	\$ 53 37
Total amount overdraft last report	9634 95
Total	\$ 9638 32
Overdraft.....	876 79

CONDITION OF SEWER FUND FEB. 1, 1900.

	DR.	CR.
Main sewer fund.....	14713 94	
Labor acc't lat. sew'r No 1	39 90	
Tax " " " " 1	169 65	
Labor " " " " 2		\$ 27 28
Tax " " " " 2		719 90
Labor " " " " 3	5805 82	
Tax " " " " 3		3,466 28
Labor " " " " 4	836 21	
Tax " " " " 4		6 7 47
Labor " " " " 5	1375 24	
Tax " " " " 5		3,922 88

Labor " " " " 6	2,441 95
Tax " " " " 6	2,112 05
Labor " " " " 7	57 73
Tax " " " " 7	584 95
Delinquent sewer tax... ..	181 48

Total	\$22,940 76	\$14,171 97
Overdraft.....		8,768 79

PAVING FUND.

MONEY RECEIVED.

Tax account paving district No. 1	\$ 1,117 18
" " " " No. 2	30 59
" " " " No. 3	1,214 31
Total	\$ 1,362 08
Balance on hand last report....	6,721 43
Total	\$ 8,083 51

CONDITION OF PAVING FUND, FEB. 1, 1899.

Labor acc't pay'g dis. No. 1....	\$ 2,162 14
Tax " " " " No. 1....	58 82
Labor " " " " No. 2....	897 55
Tax " " " " No. 2....	170 21
Labor " " " " No. 3....	1,132 00
Tax " " " " No. 3....	3,662 79
Total	\$ 8,083 51
Balance on hand.....	8,083 51

Respectfully submitted,
OSCAR D. LUICK,
Treasurer.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 15, 1900.
To the Common Council of the City of
Ann Arbor:

Gentlemen: This will certify that Oscar D. Luick had \$4,462.02 to his credit as City Treasurer on February 1st, 1900.

Very respectfully,
CHAS. E. HISCOCK, Cashier.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by Ald. Hamilton:
That the city marshal enforce Sec. 13 of an ordinance relative to disorderly persons and conduct.

Adopted.

By Ald. Brown:

Resolved that the action of the Board of Public Works in discharging Geo. F. Key as city engineer at a time when the city stands so much in need of the services of an engineer who is familiar with present public work, now under contemplation by the city, be and is hereby condemned; therefore be it resolved that the Board of Public Works be most respectably requested to reinstate Mr. Key as engineer of said city until such a time as the Board of Public Works shall recommend to the Council his successor and until such a time as said person so recommended by said Board of Public Works shall be confirmed by this council.

Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

By Ald. Coon:

Resolved, that consent, permission and authority is hereby granted to the Detroit, Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor Railway to run its Detroit cars within the limits of the city of Ann Arbor, for one month only, at a rate of speed as follows, to-wit:

Between the Waiting Room on Main street to Division street fifteen miles per hour; between Division street and State street twelve miles per hour; and between State street and city limits at the rate of twenty miles per hour.

Resolved further, that it is not hereby intended to waive any of the requirements of the law or ordinances of the city of Ann Arbor relating to signals at street crossings or the requirement of care and caution in the running of said company's cars within any of the streets within the corporate limits of the city of Ann Arbor, but all such rules and regulations are hereby again affirmed.

Yeas—Ald. Dieterle, Exinger, Rohde, Brown, Weeks, Coon.—6.

Nays—Ald. Richards, Hamilton, Grose, Stevens, Bliton, Pres. Seabolt—6
On motion the council adjourned.

JAMES E. HARKINS.

City Clerk.