

Council Chamber, Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 4, 1914. Adjourned regular session.

Meeting called to order by the president. Present: Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Absent: Ald. Rash, 1. Minutes of previous meetings approved.

Communications.

From Michigan Railroad commission, relative to joint office for American Express Co. and Wells-Fargo Express Co. in this city, received and referred to Railway committee and City Attorney.

To the Honorable, the Common Council: Gentlemen—Below we submit the names of the various employes of the Water Works department of the city, with the exception of the manager, and the salary of each as has been fixed by the Board of Water Commissioners, and the manager of the department, and we respectfully request that your honorable body confirm the salaries herein stated.

R. Spokes, superintendent, wages per year	\$1,800.00
Walter Allmendinger, engineer, wages per month	\$75.00
W. H. Willsher, engineer, wages per month	\$75.00
Joel West, engineer, wages per month	\$75.00
Albert Kellogg, fireman, wages per month	\$60.00
Fred Linde, fireman, wages per month	\$60.00
H. C. Willsher, fireman, wages per month	\$60.00
J. Schwikart, fireman, wages per month	\$65.00
Henry Linde, fireman, wages per month	\$60.00
A. E. Hawkes, inspector, wages per month	\$75.00
Cliff Shetterly, cashier, wages per month	\$75.00
R. W. Pryer, bacteriologist, wages per month	\$30.00
George Mann, commissioner, wages per month	\$20.00
John Lindenschmitt, commissioner, wages per month	\$20.00
Wirt Cornwell, commissioner, wages per month	\$20.00
Louise Malloy, stenographer, wages per week	\$10.00

Respectfully submitted, Geo. J. Mann, Pres. of Water Commissioners. A. K. Hale, General Manager.

Moved by Ald. G. Lutz, that com-

munication be received and adopted.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Petitions.

Of T. Frank Rodgers, et al., for sanitary sewer on Hiscock st., from Spring st. to Summit st., received and referred to Sewer committee.

Of Geo. Sample, et al., for tungsten street light on west side of Division st., immediately south of entrance to Marshall court, received and referred to Lighting committee.

Of R. H. Negley, et al., for tungsten street light on Vaughan st., corner of Packard st., received and referred to Lighting committee.

Of Frank Haines, et al., for extension of water main 400 feet west on Bath st., received.

Moved by Ald. Prochnow, that this and all petitions relative to water mains be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners. Adopted.

Committee Reports.

Ald. George Lutz presented the following bills against the city and moved that same be allowed and warrants ordered drawn.

Labor Acc. Sewer Dist. No. 53.

City Engineer's Office, Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 2d, 1914.

To the Hon. Common Council, Ann Arbor, Mich.: Sirs—I submit the following final estimate of the cost of sanitary sewer on Crest av. and W. Washington st., District No. 53, with recommendation and distribution of cost:

1654 lin. ft. of 8 inch tile at 17c	\$ 281.18
858 lin. ft. of 4 inch tile at 9c	77.22
72 8 inch branches at 70c..	50.40
74 4 inch curves at 20c....	14.80
4 Manholes at \$36.00.....	144.00
2 Flushtanks at \$60.00.....	120.00
1 Flushtank, using old siphon	40.00
2 Lamphole covers at \$3.50	7.00
Excavating and backfilling:	
253 lin. ft. 6 to 8 ft. deep at 35c.....	88.55
1487 lin. ft. 8 to 10 feet deep at 50c.....	743.50
1046 lin. ft. 10 to 13 ft deep at 70c.....	732.20
Total	\$2,298.85
Less amount of previous estimates	2296.12
Balance	\$ 2.73

From this you will notice that the customary 5 per cent has not been retained on this district. However, this district is in the same contract with Dst. 51 and Dist. 52, and the 5 per cent retained on these two districts will insure the proper care of streets, etc., in District 53, also. I would therefore recommend that Mr. Schneider be paid the above \$2.73, and the account on District 53 closed.

The distribution of cost in this district is as follows:

Contract price.....	\$2,298.85
Laying tile and inspecting..	96.40
Engineering	37.56
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Total	\$2,432.81
City's portion.....	178.81

Property's portion\$2,254.41
 Very respectfully submitted, Manley Osgood, City Engineer.

Labor Acc. Sewer Dist. No. 62.

City Engineer's Office, Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 2d, 1914.

To the Hon. Common Council, Ann Arbor, Mich.: Sirs—I submit the following final estimate of the cost of sanitary sewer on East Catherine st., extension east from Clark st., District No. 62, together with the distribution of the cost of same and recommend the payment of the amount now due to Hochrein & Co., the contractors.

90 lin. ft. of 8 inch tile at 22c	\$ 19.80
7 8 inch branches at 75c.....	5.25
1 Flushtank.....	60.00
1 Lamphole cover.....	4.00
Excavation and backfilling:	
30 lin. ft. 6 to 8 ft. deep at 75c	22.50
71 lin. ft. 0 to 6 ft. deep at 55c	39.05
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Total	\$150.60
Less 5 per cent retained.....	7.53

Amount now due contractor.s	\$143.07
Distribution of cost:	
Contract price.....	\$150.60
Engineering	4.54
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Total	155.14
City's portion.....	15.21

Property's portion.....\$139.93
 Very respectfully submitted, Manley Osgood, City Engineer.

Contingent Fund.

Thos. F. Reilly, disinfecting Osborn gravel pit	\$2.60
Eberbach & Son Co., laboratory supplies	\$51.77
U. G. Rickert, analysis, etc..	105.00
Quarry Drug Co., supplies ..	8.00
Motion by Ald. G. Lutz adopted as	

follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Sewer Committee.

To the Council: Gentlemen—Your Sewer committee have had the following matters under consideration and recommend that sanitary sewers be constructed as follows: On Sixth st., from sewer in valley to Liberty st.; on Seventh st., from Washington to Liberty sts.; on Eighth st., from Washington to Liberty sts.; up the valley lying between Washington and Liberty sts., from the Murray ave. sewer to Eighth st.

Your committee further recommends that the City Engineer by March 1, 1914, disconnect from the city sewers any residence or other bulding situated outside the city limits, now connected with said sewers.

I. L. Sherk, Wm. Schultz, E. W. Groves, Albert S. Lutz, Sewer Committee.

Ald. Sherk moved the adoption of the report.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Aid. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

By Ald. Sherk: Resolved, that the construction of the sanitary sewers hereinafter mentioned is deemed and declared to be a necessary public improvement,, and the construction of the same is hereby ordered, that is to say: On Sixth st., from sewer in valley to Liberty st.; on Seventh st., from Washington to Liberty sts. on Eighth st., from Washington to Liberty sts.; up valley lying between Washington and Liberty sts., from Murray ave. sewer to Eighth st. Resolved, further, that the City Engineer cause all needful surveys, maps, measurements and estimates to be made and report to the council with all convenient dispatch.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

The City Engineer presented plans, specifications and estimates of cost for constructing a sanitary sewer in District No. 63, and the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Sherk: Resolved, that the matter of sewer in Lateral Sewer District No. 63 (Sixth, Seventh and

Eighth sts., and valley from Murray ave. to Eighth st.), including the report of City Engineer thereon, be referred to the Sewer committee, and said committee meet in the room of the Board of Public Works at a time to be fixed by the chairman of said committee, to hear all persons interested therein and report back to the council at next regular meeting thereafter.

Resolved, further, that the City Clerk advertise proposed meeting upon orders from the chairman of the Sewer committee and according to law.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Street Committee.

To the Council: Gentlemen—Your Street committee, to whom the matter of John Koch addition to the city was referred, respectfully recommend that the plat be accepted.

Henry G. Pipp, Albert Fiegel, Theo. F. Prochnow, Geo. Lutz, Thos. Hanselmann, Geo. W. Hubbard, Street Committee.

Ald. Pipp moved the adoption of the report.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Street Grade Resolution.

By Ald. Pipp: Whereas, in the opinion of the Council the grade on Wright street ought to be changed and fixed and established, to the end that such street may be made suitable for public travel and traffic. Therefore,

Resolved, and it is hereby ordered that the grade on Wright street from center line of Kellogg street to the north end be, and the same is hereby changed from the present grade, and fixed and established, so that the grade on and along such street shall be as follows, that is to say:

826.00 at the center line of Kellogg;
826.5 at the north line of Kellogg;
835.6 at 180 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
836.8 at 200 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
837.5 at 220 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
842.5 at 400 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
777.91 elevation of B. M. on hydrant on Moore st. near Broadway, the

elevation given being above the official city datum and along the center line of said street, and the grade lines to consist of straight lines between the several points or stations above stated, the roadway to conform thereto.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Sidewalk Grade Resolution.

By Ald. Geo. Lutz: Whereas, in the opinion of the Council the grade of the sidewalk on the east side of Wright street ought to be changed and fixed and established to the end that such street may be suitable for public. Therefore,

Resolved, and it is hereby ordered that the grade of the sidewalk on and along the east side of Wright street from north line of Kellogg street to the north end be, and the same is hereby changed, fixed and established, so that the grade of said sidewalk on and along the street aforesaid shall be as follows, that is to say:

827.0 at the north line of Kellogg st.
836.1 at 180 ft. north of the center of Kellogg st.
837.3 at 200 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
838.0 at 220 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
843.0 at 400 ft. north of the center line of Kellogg st.
777.91 elevation of B. M. on hydrant on Moore st. near Broadway, the elevation given being above the official datum and along the center line of such walk, and the grade lines to consist of straight lines between the several points or stations above stated.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Water Committee.

By Ald. Flynn: Whereas, this Council by an ordinance passed on December 1st, 1913, entitled, "An ordinance relative to the creation of a water works department and the management and control of the municipal water works plant of the City of Ann Arbor," section 10, provided "That the Board of Water Commissioners shall not furnish water to consumers outside of the city limits except upon the authorization of the Common Council," and

Whereas, several parties outside of

the city limits are now receiving water from the city water plant, and

Whereas, such action has not been authorized by the Common Council, therefore,, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to cut off, at the termination of thirty days, all parties now taking water from the city water plant who reside beyond the limits of the city, unless said parties enter into a suitable agreement with the city of Ann Arbor permitting them to continue taking water from said city water works.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

Special Committees.

Honorable Common Council, City: Gentlemen--Your committee, to whom was referred the communication of H. H. Herbst relative to ventilation of public places, would recommend that an ordinance be prepared which will give the city power to require suitable ventilation in public halls, theaters, etc.

E. W. Groves, Charles A. Sink, I. L. Sherk, Sanitary Committee. Adopted on motion of Ald. Groves.

Honorable Common Council. Gentlemen—Your committee, appointed last May to act with a committee from the Civic Association to investigate and report on the advisability of placing this city under commission form of government, beg to report that we have considered the question somewhat carefully and at a meeting, held Jan. 30th, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that it is the sense of this committee that the common council of the city of Ann Arbor be requested to take the necessary steps for the election in April of a commission for the drafting of a new charter to be submitted to the people at a later date.

E. W. Groves, Wm. Schultz, Chas. A. Sink, Thos. Hanselmann, Henry G. Pipp, Geo. W. Hubbard, Julius H. Koernke, Council Committee.

Ald. Groves moved the adoption of the report.

Adopted as follows Yeas Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 12. Nays, Ald. A. Lutz, Prochnow, 2.

Officers' Reports.

Marshal's report for month of Jan-

uary, 1914, received and ordered on file.

Engineer's Report.

City Engineer's Office, Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 3d, 1914.

To the Hon. Common Council, Ann Arbor, Mich.: Sirs—I submit the following distribution of the cost of sanitary sewers in districts No. 52, 54, 58 and 59.

The following is the distribution of cost of the sanitary sewer on Hiscock st. from Fountain st. to Miner st., District No. 52:

Contract cost	\$288.72
Laying tile and inspecting ..	20.73
Engineering	8.96
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Total	\$318.41
City's portion	25.48

Property's portion

The following is the distribution of cost of the sanitary sewer on West Liberty st., extension to city limits, District No. 54:

Contract cost	\$1,068.88
Laying tile and inspecting..	21.73
Engineering	10.93
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Total	\$1,101.54
City's portion	10.93

Property's portion

The following is the distribution of the cost of the W. Huron st. sanitary sewer extension to the Forks, District No. 58:

Contract cost	\$166.85
Laying tile and inspecting....	11.95
Engineering	8.26
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Total	\$187.06
City's portion	\$ 8.26

Property's portion

The following is the distribution of cost for the sanitary sewer on Ann st. from Fourteenth st. to Observatory st., District No. 59:

Contract cost	\$738.78
Laying tile and inspecting ...	14.18
Engineering	12.65
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Total	\$765.61
City's portion	69.80

Property's portion

Very respectfully submitted, Manley Osgood, City Engineer.

Of distribution of costs of Sanitary Sewers Nos. 52, 54, 58 and 59, received and ordered on file.

From Park Board.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, February 2, 1914.

To the Common Council of the City of Ann Arbor: Gentlemen—I herewith submit the annual report of the Board of Park Commissioners for the year beginning May, 1913.

The history of the Park commission for the past few years has been one of increasing activity and that of the past year has been such that more has been accomplished than in any previous year. The reason for our being able to do the usual amount of up-keep, and a larger and larger amount of development, is that the annual payments on land contracts have been growing steadily less, and the amounts for development correspondingly greater each year. Previous to this year there has been no systematic trimming of the shade trees for seven years, and the natural growth of these trees made it imperative that we do a large amount of work along this line. The fact that the State Teachers' association met here last fall, also made it necessary that we keep a force at work on our parkways for a month longer than usual. During the summer just past some tree trimming was done in every ward in the city, the work being distributed along twenty-eight different streets. Over 1,200 street trees were trimmed; 30 other trees were treated which needed immediate attention, owing to split crotches, broken limbs, and other dangerous conditions. About 150 trees were marked to be taken out, 75 of which have since been removed. One hundred trees were cut down during the previous year. During the past fall about 350 new trees were planted by our citizens along our streets to take the place of those removed. The work done on our trees this past summer was done under the direction of Mr. Ray Bassett, forester. While he had charge of this work, more than 300 of our citizens had him call and examine their trees and shrubs, and give advice. An inventory of all the street shade trees was begun, showing their present condition and location, with the expectation of ultimately determining the varieties that should hereafter be cultivated on each and every street and block in the city.

Besides doing the more than usual amount of up-keep work, such as mowing, cleaning up, trimming and general work, several improvements have been carried forward. An additional piece of property was

donated by a number of our citizens, and added to West Park. This addition made necessary a large amount of grading, which though not completed was much advanced. One of the old buildings was removed from the Fairgrounds park, and the material stored on Cedar Bend park for use in the construction of a shelter house on the Island next season. Considerable grading was also done on Riverside park and Cedar Bend park.

The following financial statement will show more in detail the work that has been done during the past year:

Financial Statement.

Jan. 1, 1913, to Jan. 1, 1914; Abstract of Receipts and Expenditures—

Receipts—	
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1913	\$ 237.80
Appropriated by Common Council for 1 year	3,500.00
Total	\$3,737.80
Received from rent of house at Fair Grounds	15.00
Received from rent to Gentry Bros. shows	50.00
Received from rent to Hagenbeck & Wallace shows.	75.00
Received from trimming for State Telephone Co.	1.50
Received from rent of house at Fair Grounds	25.00
Received from sale of brick	2.00
Total	\$ 168.30
Grand total	\$3,906.30
Expenditures—	
Extension lawns—	
Trimming trees	\$334.33
Hauling brush and leaves	134.39
Total	\$468.72
Cedar Bend Park—	
Cleaning	15.00
Repair of roads	12.00
Repair of bridges	3.66
Mowing and general work	294.50
Total	325.16
Felch Park—	
Planting	8.00
Cleaning, mowing and general	118.97
Total	\$126.97
Hanover Park—	
Planting	6.00
Cleaning, mowing and general	68.54
Total	\$ 74.54
School Girls Glen—	
Washout	6.89
Repair of road	17.05

Grading	77.22
Cleaning and general work..	119.62
Total	\$220.78
West Park—	
Ditching	6.00
Grading	69.00
Cleaning, mowing and general	325.50
Total	\$400.50
Riverside Park—	
Grading	20.00
Planting	2.00
Cleaning and general work..	20.50
Total	\$ 42.50
Fair Grounds—	
Race track grading	55.00
Cleaning and mowing	26.00
Taking down buildings	40.00
Planting	12.00
Architect's fees	55.00
General work	88.64
Total	\$276.64
North Boulevard—	
Grading	18.00
Cleaning and general work..	26.00
Total	44.00
General—	
Broken-down limbs and haul-	
ing	15.26
General work in cleaning,	
mowing, hauling, seeding,	
graveling, grading and re-	
pairs	288.40
Total	\$303.66
Superintending work on parks	
and extension	882.95
Abstract	2.00
Labor and supplies (separate	
item)	21.66
Supplies	193.76
Freight	2.12
Auto hire	21.00
Livery	5.50
Repairs	13.45
Park land contracts	400.00
Total	\$3,875.91
Balance	\$ 80.39

When the Board of Park Commissioners was first organized, it was fully expected that the Board would have the entire services of a park superintendent, and one was appointed and served us for a few months. But the demands on our funds for paying for additional park lands became so urgent, that the members of the board concluded to divide the superintendent's work among themselves and save his salary, and put it

into land while it could be bought at reasonable figures. This policy was possible at first, but now that the park area has become so large, and the necessary amount of superintendence has not only largely increased, but become nearly professional, the Board has decided to secure the services of a forester to look after our parks, shade trees, lawn extensions and boulevards throughout the city. The Board has felt sorely the need of an engineer to make surveys and maps of our properties, and though the city engineer has from time to time given us some assistance, yet his other work has been so urgent as to preclude his doing but a small amount of work for us. We feel that we must secure the services of a man for a superintendent who can do all this work, and also that necessary to develop our park and boulevard properties to the fullest extent. At the present time the Telephone company wishes to trim many of our shade trees, while their work is slack, and to allow them to do it without the continual supervision of the city's interest would be the probable ruin of many of our shade trees.

In view of all these things, and the fact that the annual cost would be but little if any more than our present system of conducting our work, we have concluded to secure the services of Mr. Ray Bassett as City Forester, his services to begin immediately. We respectfully request that the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) be transferred to the Park Board fund, the same to be taken therefrom at the beginning of our next fiscal year, May, 1914.

L. D. WINES,

Pres. Park Commissioners.

Communication from president of Park Board ordered on file.

Moved by Ald. Sink, that the recommendation be concurred in, and \$500.00 be transferred from the Contingent fund to the Park fund.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Ald. Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Prochnow, Pipp, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 12. Nays, Ald. Koernke, Flynn, 2.

Resolutions.

Moved by Ald. Sink, that the city clerk make necessary arrangements for the election of charter commissioners at April election, according to recommendation of special committee.

Adopted as follows: Yeas, Aid.

Schultz, Fiegel, Hanselmann, A. Lutz, Frochnow, Koernke, Pipp, Flynn, Sherk, Hubbard, Groves, G. Lutz, Sink, Pres. Schmid, 14. Nays, none.

By Ald. Koernke: Resolved, that Miner street be graded from Felch to Hiscock.

Referred to Street committee on motion of Ald. Koernke.

By Ald. Groves: Resolved, that

the City Clerk furnish the State Fire Marshal a list of all theaters and moving picture halls in this city, and request him to make a written report as to whether or not they are constructed and operated in conformity with the state law governing such places. Adopted.

The Council adjourned.

ROSS GRANGER, Clerk.