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Proceedings of the Board of Public Works

Regular Meeting.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 1, 1886.

Board met at 2 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Becker, Hoyt, Koch, Peters and Quinby.

Absent: Mr. President (excused).

On motion, Mr. Hoyt took the chair.

Reading the minutes of the 25th ult. dispensed with.

John Rowe presented a communication stating that his property will be damaged by the change of grade on Lafayette Avenue. Considered and placed on file.

Caroline Neurer by her agent Fred Neurer, presented written objections to the confirmation of the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Minnehaha street, from Western Avenue to Griggs street. Considered and placed on file.

Bids were opened and read for the construction of a sewer on St. Peter street, from Martin street to University Avenue as follows:

William Stockton and John Lindquist	$1,598
Patrick Doherty	1,563
James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwell	1,398
John W. Doherty	1,128
George A. Bubar	1,390
Palmer and Dunklee	1,540
Samuel White and Walter Adams	2,300

John W. Doherty being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for the construction of a sewer on Iglehart street, from a point 200 feet west of Arundel street to Mackubin street, as follows, to-wit:

Wm. Stockton and John Lindquist	$625
Patrick Doherty	583
James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwell	494
John W. Doherty	768
Palmer & Dunklee	530
Samuel White and Walter Adams	730

James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwell being the lowest reliable and responsible bidders, the contract was awarded to them and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for the construction of a sewer on Aurora Avenue, from Robert street to the west line of lot 8, block 2, Lambert & Co.'s Addition to St. Paul, as follows, to-wit:

Wm. Stockton and John Lindquist	$490
Patrick Doherty	463
James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwell	398
John W. Doherty	583
Palmer & Dunklee	498
Samuel White and Walter Adams	700

James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwell being the lowest reliable and responsible bidders, the contract was awarded to them and ordered sent to the council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading Prairie street, from Western Avenue to Goodrich Avenue as follows, to-wit:

James McDonald	$5,500
Patrick H. Thornton	3,900
John D. Moran	3,800

John D. Moran being the lowest, reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading Thomas street, from Como Avenue to Dale street as follows, to-wit:

Michael O'Toole	$4,495 00
Palmer & Dunklee	4,664 00
Henry Justus and C. Bahr	5,323 00
Ferdinand Beyer and Michael Lux	5,057 20
James McDonald	5,290 00
James Steinkamp	4,800 00

Michael O'Toole being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading High street, from East Fourth street to Earl street, as follows, to-wit:

G. F. Moss	$11,025 00
John Hayes and Gus Moline	10,071 19
John Boldthen	9,500 00
Stephen J. Harper	7,818 21
Ferdinand Beyer and Michael Lux	9,813 25
James McDonald	12,600 00

After which the matter of awarding said contract for said improvement was laid over to the 8th inst., and the bid and bond of Stephen J. Harper was referred to the City Attorney for report as to the responsibility of said Harper's bondsmen.

The Engineer submitted report of the condition of the contract under his charge and of the work done by the street and sewer forces during the month of January, 1886.

The Engineer returned the order of Council to Board for formal report on the construction of a sewer on Goodrich Avenue, from West Seventh street to the right of way of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway short line, with the report that in order to get a proper outlet it will be necessary to construct a sewer on Leech street, from McBoal street to Goodrich Avenue, in connection with the sewer contemplated by said order. Report accepted and it was ordered that the Council be asked to pass and refer to this Board an order for a sewer on Goodrich Avenue from West Seventh street easterly to the right of way of the Chicago & Milwaukee railroad, and on Leech street, from McBoal street to Goodrich Avenue.

The Engineer having submitted plan and estimate of cost, the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Jan. 21, 1886, relative to the construction of sewers on the following-named streets: Bates Avenue, from Seventh street to Plum street; Fifth street, from Hoffman Avenue to Maple street; Fourth street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; Third street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; Ravine street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; Hudson Avenue, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; Plum street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; Cherry street, from Hoffman Avenue to Maria Avenue; Lizzie street, from the Mississippi river to Etna street, thence in a direct line from the intersection of Lizzie street and Etna street to the center of McLean street and Maria Avenue, thence on Maria Avenue, from McLean to Seventh street, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper; that the estimated expense thereof is $46,846, one-half of which need not be paid into the City Treasury before the contract is let; that real estate to be assessed therefor can be found benefited to the extent of $40,250 of the costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby; the balance ($6,576) to be paid by sewerage bonds; that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners of property to be assessed therefor, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement and an order for your adoption if you desire us to make the improvement. Yeas 5, nays 0.

The Engineer submitted plan and estimate of cost, and the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Oct. 8, 1885, relative to the matter of building stairs upon, partially grading and putting in proper culvert into Selby Avenue, from Summit Avenue to Third street, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper; that the estimated expense thereof is $1,495, one half of which need not be paid into the City Treasury before the contract is let; that real estate to be assessed therefor can be found benefited to the extent of the costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby; that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners of property to be assessed therefor, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement, and an order for your adoption, if you desire us to make the improvement. Yeas 5, nays 0.

The Engineer submitted plan of land to be taken, and the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Dec. 5, 1885, relative to the opening of an alley on the side of lots 5 and 10, block 12, St. Paul proper, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is not necessary and proper, owing to the proximity of a proposed alley. Yeas 5, nays 0.

The Engineer submitted plan of land to be taken, and the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Jan. 21, 1886, relative to the opening of an alley 20 feet wide, running east and west in block 12, St. Paul proper, from easterly line of lots 6 and 9, easterly to alley, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper, taking 20 feet from the rear of lot 10, block 12, St. Paul proper; that the estimated expense thereof is $5,500; that real estate to be assessed therefor can be found benefited to the extent of the damages, costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby; that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners of property to be assessed therefor, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement, and an order for your adoption, if you desire us to make the improvement. Yeas 5, nays 0.

The Engineer submitted plans and specifications for grading Walnut street, from West Seventh (7th) street to Pleasant Avenue, including stone gutters and granite curbs; Franklin street, from Elm street to Eagle street, with stone surfacing and constructing stone gutters on said Franklin street, from Sherman street to Irvine Park drive, and from Irvine Park drive to Chestnut street; Irvine Park drive with stone surfacing and gutters and granite curbs; also for grading, surfacing and curbing Olmsted street, from Pine street to John street, and for grading and bridging Ducas street, from the south line of the levee to the right of way of the Minnesota & Northwestern Railroad Company, which were examined and approved, and the Clerk was directed to advertise for bids.

It having been made to appear to the Board that an error has been made in the assessment for grading Prior Avenue, from St. Anthony Avenue to Marshall Avenue, as to lots 3 and 4, block 7, Merriam's Rearrangement of Merriam park, St. Paul (John L. Merriam, supposed owner), the amount assessed against said lot 3 was abated and the amount assessed against lot 4 was reduced to $64, so as to conform to the facts and rights of the case as intended.

It having been made to appear to the Board that the opening, widening and extension of Van Buren street, from Dale street to Lexington Avenue, confirmed Aug. 5, 1885, will destroy the permanent buildings of the House of the Good Shepherd, it was ordered that the Council be asked to vacate so much of said Van Buren street as includes the property of the House of the Good Shepherd.

Order of Council to Board for formal report on grading and guttering Thirteenth (13th) street, from Robert street to Jackson street. Referred to Engineer for plan and estimate of cost.

The Clerk was directed to advertise for bids for the construction, relaying and repairing of wooden sidewalks for the year 1886.

In the matter of grading and bridging Arcade street, from Seventh street to Maryland street, the vote on Jan. 25, 1886, by which the assessment for said improvement was completed was reconsidered, and on motion said assessment notice was annulled, and the Clerk was directed to give a new first assessment notice for said grading and bridging on the property on the line of the improvement.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournment thereunder, the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Blair street, from Dale street to Lexington Avenue, came up, and the same was adjourned to March 1, 1886, at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for a change of grade on Lafayette Avenue, from Woodward street to the west line of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railroad right of way, came up, and the same was adjourned to the 15th inst. at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice, the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for a change of grade on Olmstead street, from Stillwater street to De Bow street, came up and the same was duly confirmed.

Pursuant to due notice, the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for a change of grade on Hoffman Avenue, from McLean street south to the edge of the Bluff, came up and the same was adjourned to the 8th inst. at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice, the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for a change of grade on Jackson street, from Ninth street to Pearl street, came up and the same was duly confirmed.

Pursuant to due notice, the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Goodrich Avenue, from Dale street west to Lexington Avenue, came up and the same was duly confirmed.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Minnehaha street, from Western Avenue to Griggs street, came up and the same was adjourned to the 15th inst. at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for grading and guttering Western Avenue, from Como Avenue to Maryland street, came up and the same was duly confirmed.

Estimate No. 4 and final, Sixth street paving, (Wabasha street to Broadway) A. Jaicks, contractor, amount due $2,708.26, was referred to the City Attorney for report as to propriety of allowing said estimate.

The following pay rolls, estimate and bills were examined and allowed, to-wit:

Pay roll of Engineer Department, forty-three employes, for month of January, 1886, $2,925.13.

Pay roll of Office of Board or Public Works, five employes, for month of January, 1886, $318.33.

Pay roll of men employed in cleaning and repairing streets, eighty-six men and twenty teams, for month of January, 1886, $2,149.66.

Pay roll of Inspectors, six employes, for month of January, 1886, $233.24.

Pay roll of men employed in cleaning and paving sewers, nine men and two teams, for month of January, 1886, $452.25.

Estimate No. 3, Pleasant Avenue grading (Ramsey street to Chicago, Milwakee & St. Paul railroad), C. Wanzer contractor, amount due, $850.

Bill of M. Breen of $140, sewer bricks, etc., Jan. 4, 1886.

Bill of George Mitsch of $18.75, repairing tools for street and sewer force, January, 1886.

Bill of P. H. Kelly Mercantile Co. of $4.80, one box star candles, January 27, 1886.

Bill of Wykoff, Semans & Benedict of 75 cents, one-half dozen note books, Jan. 28, 1886.

Bill of F. G. Draper of $14.09, hardware, December, 1885, and January, 1886.

Bill of L. A. Blodgett of $76, livery for Engineer Department, January, 1886.

Bill of T. Stoddart of $68, livery for Engineer Department, January, 1886.

Bill of J. J. Kirkman of $63.50, livery for Engineer Department, for January, 1886.

Bill of Rhodes & Morton of $15.50, hardware, January, 1886.

Bill of G. W. Merrill of $20, estimating cost of moving buildings on Goodrich Avenue and lowering building on East Fourth street, Feb. 1, 1886.

Bill of Mathew Craig of $20, estimating cost of moving buildings on Goodrich Avenue and lowering buildings on East Fourth street, Feb. 1, 1886.

Bill of G. W. Merrill of $6, estimating damages to property by change of grade on Lafayette Avenue.

Bill of Mathew Craig of $6, estimating damages to property by change of grade on Layfayette Avenue.

Adjourned.

JOHN F. HOYT, President pro tem.
R. L. GORMAN, Clerk Board Public Works.

Regular Meeting.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 8, 1886.

Board met at 2 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Becker, Hoyt, Koch, Peters and Quinby.

Absent: Mr. President (excused.)

On motion Mr. Hoyt took the chair.

Reading the minutes of the 1st inst. dispensed with.

A communication was received from Louis Engels in the matter of the assessment for grading Reaney street. Considered and placed on file.

D. Shea and others presented a written protest against the assessment of their property for the grading of Reaney street, from Payne Avenue east to Seventh street. Considered and placed on file.

William Stockton and John Lundquist, contractors for the Garfield street sewer, presented a petition asking for an extension of time for the completion of said sewer. Considered and placed on file.

Mrs. M. E. Braden having made application through Ald. Van Slyke to have the amount refunded which was paid on lot 8, block 22, Kittson's Addition, for grading Kittson street, from Fifth street to Seventh street, and the same having been referred to the Clerk of the Board for report of the facts, and he having reported, the prayer of the petitioner was denied.

George Dempsey made application and submitted bond for plumber's license, which was granted in accordance with rules and ordinances and bond approved.

Bids were opened and read for grading Drake street, from Randolph street to Lee Avenue, as follows, to-wit:

John D. Moran	$2,000 00
Ferdinand Beyer and Michael Lux	1,656 00
John C. McCarthy	1,870 00
Patrick H. Thornton	1,999 00

Ferdinand Beyer and Michael Lux being the lowest reliable and responsible bidders, the contract was awarded to them and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading St. Clair street, from Ann street to Lexington Avenue; Grace street, from Pleasant Avenue to Colborne street; Warsaw street, from the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad right of way to St. Clair street, using the surplus material from St. Clair street to fill Grace and Warsaw streets, as follows, to-wit:

James Kavanaugh	$27,927 00
Ferdinand Beyer and Michael Lux	31,490 00
James Murnane	29,000 00
Charles Wanzer	38,747 50
Thornton & Shaw	27,993 00
G. F. Moss	34,617 00

James Kavanaugh being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

In the matter of the bids for grading High street, from East Fourth street to Earl street, opened and read on the 1st inst. and laid over to this day, the same was taken up, and on motion, the matter of awarding said contract was laid over to the 15th inst., in order to allow the City Attorney further time to report on the responsibility of the bondsmen of S. J. Harper.

The Engineer submitted list of property in front of which wooden sidewalks have been constructed, relaid and repaired under contract of George W. Reese (Estimate No. 8), for term beginning April 1, 1885, and ending Nov. 1, 1885. Referred to Clerk to procure abstract of owners' names and description of property, and to give the first assessment notice.

The Engineer submitted plan and estimate of cost, and the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Oct. 8, 1885, relative to the grading of St. Albans street, from Lincoln Avenue to Dayton Avenue, and having investigated the proposed improvement respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper, from Goodrich Avenue to Marshall Avenue; that the estimated expense thereof is $3,700, one-half of which need not be paid into the City Treasury before the contract is let; that real estate to be assessed therefor can be found benefited to the extent of the costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby; that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners of property to be assessed therefor, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement, and an order for your adoption, if you desire us to make the improvement. Yeas 5, nays 0.

The Engineer submitted plans and specifications for the construction of a sewer on Randolph street, from View street to West Seventh street; on Lincoln avenue, from Oakland street to Dale street, and on Grand avenue, from Oakland street to a point 225 feet east of Floral street, which were examined and approved, and the Clerk was directed to advertise for bids.

It having been made to appear to the Board that an error has been made in the assessment for grading Acker street, from Mississippi street to Sylvan street, and Jackson street, from Benton street to Sycamore street with stone curbs and gutters; on Acker street, from Mississippi street to Jackson street, and on Jackson street, from Acker street to Sycamore street as to lots 18, 17 and 16, block 3, and lots 1, 2 and 3, block 6, Drake's Second Addition to St. Paul—the same was corrected so as to conform to the facts and rights of the case as intended and so as to read as follows, to wit

Drake's Second Addition to St. Paul.

Supposed owner and description.	Lot.	Block.	Benefits
Peter Tereau	18	3	$66 00
E. F. Drake	17&15	3	abated
Same	1	6	$64 00
Same	2&3	6	abated

The Council having returned approved the awards of the Board of Public Works to John W. Doherty for the construction of a sewer on St. Peter street, from Martin street to University Avenue; to James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwell for the construction of a sewer on Iglehart street, from a point 200 feet west of Arundel street to Mackubin street; to James J. Dwyer and J. C. Cantwelll for the construction of a sewer on Aurora Avenue, from Robert street to the west line of lot 8, block 2, Lambert & Co.'s Addition to St. Paul; to Michael O'Toole for grading Thomas street, from Como Avenue to Dale street; to John D. Moran for grading Prairie street, from Western Avenue to Goodrich Avenue. The same were referred to City Attorney to draw contracts, and President of Board to execute.

The Council having returned the communication of the Board dated Dec. 28, 1885, in the matter of annulling all proceedings for the opening, widening and extension of Hoffman Avenue, from Short street to Lizzie street, together with the order of said improvement, requesting that said communication be reconsidered, and that the Board proceed under the original order, whereupon said communication was reconsidered and the request of the Council placed on file.

The Council having returned the report of the Board dated Jan. 14, 1886, in the matter of the proposed change of grade on Eaton Avenue, not concurring in its adoption, the vote by which said report was made was reconsidered, and the following adverse report ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Dec. 17, 1885, relative to a change of grade on Eaton Avenue, from its intersection with Ducas street to Isabel street, in the Sixth ward, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is not necessary and proper, the Board having reconsidered their action heretofore taken. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Orders of Council to Board for formal report on grading Milford street, from Rice street to Gauthier street; Goodrich Avenue, from Dale street to Victoria street; Victoria street, from Marshall Avenue to St. Clair street. Also on grading and guttering Grant street, from Sherburne Avenue to Como Avenue, and Viola street, from Rice street to Jackson street. Referred to Engineer for plans and estimate of cost.

Orders of Council to Board for formal report on paving Dayton Avenue, from Third street to a point 260 feet west of Summit Avenue; Third street, from Pleasant Avenue to Summit Avenue, and Summit Avenue, from the east line of Third street to the south line of Selby Avenue, with pine blocks and granite curbs. Referred to Engineer for plan and estimate of cost.

Orders of Council to Board for formal report on the construction of a sewer on Prairie street, from Goodrich Avenue to Western Avenue; on Grand Avenue, from a point 225 feet east of Floral street to Lawton street, thence on Lawton street to Oakland Avenue; also on Goodrich Avenue, from West Seventh street easterly to the right of way of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, and on Leech street, from McBoal street to Goodrich Avenue. Referred to Engineer for plan and estimate of cost.

Order of Council to Board for formal report on opening Broadway, from Grove street to Thirteenth street to connect with L'Orient and North Broadway. Referred to Engineer for plan of land to be taken and buildings.

Order of Council to Board to let by contract the building of stairs upon, partial grading and putting a proper culvert into Selby Avenue, between Summit Avenue and Third Street. Referred to Engineer for plan and specifications.

Order of Council to Board to let by contract the construction of a sewer on Bates Avenue, from Seventh street to Plum street; on Fifth street, from Hoffman Avenue to Maple street; on Fourth street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Third street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Ravine street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Hudson Avenue, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Plum street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Cherry street, from Hoffman Avenue to Maria Avenue; on Lizzie street, from the Mississippi river to Etna street; thence in a direct line from the intersection of Lizzie and Etna streets to the center of McLean street and Maria Avenue; thence on Maria Avenue, from McLean street to Seventh street. Referred to Engineer for plans and specifications.

Orders of Council to Board to condemn land and assess benefits and damages for the opening of an alley running east and west in block 12, St. Paul proper, from easterly line of lots 6 and 9 to alley in said block 12; also for the opening, widening and extension of Minnehaha street, from Earl street to Frank street, and of Beach street, from Earl street to Frank street. Referred to Committee on Assessments and Clerk to procure abstract of owners' names and description of property.

The Clerk was directed to notify the parties in interest and the petitioners in the matter of condemning the Summit Avenue Look Out (so called) to be present on the 19th inst. at 7:30 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournments thereunder, the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Josette street, from Martin street to Fuller street, and the same was adjourned to the 22d inst. at 2 p. m. and the Clerk was directed to notify Mrs. Mary Bergner.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournments thereunder, the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening and extension of Mohawk Avenue, between Page street and Cherokee Avenue, came up, and the same was adjourned to March 8, 1886, at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournments thereunder, the matter of making and completing the assessment for the condemnation and taking for a public park "Madison Place," so called, came up, and the same was adjourned to March 8, 1886, at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Iglehart street to a uniform width of 66 feet, between Mackubin street and Lexington Avenue, came up, and the same was adjourned to the 17th inst. at 7:30 p. m., and the Clerk was directed to notify all persons in interest and owners of abutting property between Mackubin and Kent streets, by postal card, to be present at that time.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournment thereunder the matter of making and completing the assessment for grading Reaney street, from Payne Avenue east to Seventh street, came up and the same was adjourned to the 15th inst. at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for a change of grade on State street, from Susan street to a point half way between Wright and Champlain streets, came up and the same was adjourned to the 22d inst. at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the construction, relaying and repairing of wooden sidewalks under contract of George W. Reese (Estimate No. 7), for term beginning April 1, 1885, and ending Nov. 1, 1885, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of the levee, from Chestnut street to Western Avenue, came up and the same was adjourned to the 18th inst., at 7:30 p. m., and the Clerk was directed to notify by postal card all parties in interest to be present at that time.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening of Hague Avenue, sixty (60) feet wide, btween Victoria and Chatsworth streets came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening of Selby Avenue, sixty (60) feet wide, between Victoria and Chatsworth streets, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk was directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for opening Dayton Avenue, sixty-six (66) feet wide, between Victoria and Chatsworth streets, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Milton street, sixty (60) feet wide, between Blair street (if extended) and Division street, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Victoria street, sixty (60) feet wide, between Ireland street and Marshall Avenue, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk was directed to give the confimation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Aurora Avenue, sixty-six (66) feet wide, between Dale street and Lexington Avenue, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Martin street, sixty-six (66) feet wide, between Dale street and Lexington Avenue, came up and the same was duly completed and the clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of St. Albans street, sixty (60) feet wide, between Aurora and Marshall Avenues, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Michigan street, from Duke street to St. Albans street, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Webster street, from St. Clair street to Pleasant Avenue, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk was directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Fisk street, sixty (60) feet wide, between Aurora and St. Anthony Avenues, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Miller street, sixty (60) feet wide, between Aurora and St. Anthony Avenues, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Langford street, sixty (60) feet wide, between Milton street and Victoria street, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Division street, sixty-six (66) feet wide, between Victoria and Chatsworth streets, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening and widening of Division street, sixty-six (66) feet wide, between Victoria and Chatsworth streets, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening and extension of an alley through block seven (7), Whitney & Smith's Addition to St. Paul, came up and the same was duly completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournment thereunder, the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for the grading and guttering of Alice street, from Ohio street to Cherokee Avenue, and around Alice park, came up and the same was adjourned to the 22d inst., at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournment thereunder, the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for a change of grade on Hoffman Avenue, from McLean street south to the edge of the Bluff, came up and the same was duly confirmed.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of the confirmation of the assessment for grading Van Buren street, from Como Avenue to Victoria street, came up and the same was duly confirmed.

Adjourned.

JOHN F. HOYT, President pro tem.
R. L. GORMAN, Clerk Board Public Works.

Regular Meeting.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 15, 1886.

Board met at 2 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Becker, Hoyt, Koch, Peters, Quinby and Mr. President.

Reading of the minutes of the 8th inst. dispensed with.

Bids were opened and read for grading, surfacing and curbing Olmsted street, from Pine street to John street, as follows, to-wit:

John C. McCarthy	$3,273
Palmer & Dunklee	2,598
James McDonald	2,825
John D. Moran	3,185
Patrick H. Thornton	3,153

Palmer & Dunklee being the lowest reliable and responsible bidders, the contract was awarded to them and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading Walnut street, from West Seventh (7th) street to Pleasant Avenue, including stone gutters and granite curbs, as follows, to-wit:

John C. McCarthy	$4,851 00
Palmer & Dunklee	4,679 00
James McDonald	4,493 00
John D. Moran	4,800 00
Patrick H. Thornton	4,363 00

Patrick H. Thornton being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 5, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading and bridging Ducas street, from the south line of the levee to the right of way of the Minnesota & Northwestern Railroad Company, as follows, to-wit:

Palmer & Dunklee	$73,531 50
McArthur Brothers	41,900 00

McArthur Brothers being the lowest reliable and responsible bidders, the contract was awarded to them and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6, nays 0.

Bids were opened and read for grading Franklin street, from Elm street to Eagle street, with stone surfacing, and the construction of stone gutters on said Franklin street, from Sherman street to Irvine Park drive, and from Irvine Park drive to Chestnut street, as follows, to-wit:

John C. McCarthy	$6,121 00
James McDonald	5,625 00
John D. Moran	7,665 00
Patrick H. Thornton	6,590 00

After which the matter of awarding the contract for said improvement was laid over to March 1, 1886, at 2 p. m.

Bids were opened and read for grading Irvine Park Drive with stone surfacing and gutters and granite curbs, as follows, to-wit:

James McDonald	$9,975 00
John D. Moran	9,890 00
Patrick H. Thornton	8,833 00

After which the matter of awarding the contract for said improvement was laid over to March 1, 1886, at 2 p. m.

In the matter of the bids opened and read on the 1st inst. for the grading of High street, from East Fourth street to Earl street, and referred to the City Attorney for report as to the responsibility of the bondsmen of Stephen J. Harper, the same were, pursuant to adjournment of the 8th inst., taken up, and the City Attorney having reported said bondsmen to be unsatisfactory, on motion the bid of said Stephen J. Harper was rejected, and on further motion the contract was awarded to John Boldthen for $9,500, he being deemed the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, and the same was ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6, nays 0.

The City Attorney returned estimate No. 4 and final, Sixth street paving, Andrew Jaicks, contractor, amount due $2,708.26, with the report that he could see no impropriety in allowing this estimate, whereupon on motion said estimate was allowed.

The Engineer submitted plan and estimate of cost for grading Sixth street, from Maria avenue to Arcade street, and the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit:

To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council, approved Oct. 15, 1885, relative to the grading of Sixth street, from Maria Avenue to Arcade street, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper; that the estimated expense thereof is $6,720, one-half of which need not be paid into the City Treasury before the contract is let; that real estate to be assessed therefor can be found benefited to the extent of the costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby; that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners of property to be assessed therefor, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement, and an order for your adoption, if you desire to make the improvement. Yeas 6, nays 0.

The Engineer submitted profile in the matter of the proposed change of grade on George street, between State street and Goff Avenue, whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The Engineer submitted plans and specifications for the construction of a sewer on Bluff street, from Wabasha street to Martin street; thence on Martin street to St. Peter street; on Wacouta street, from Sixth street to Eighth street; on Rosabel street, from Fifth street to Eighth street; on Bates Avenue, from Seventh street to Plum street; on Fifth street, from Hoffman Avenue to Maple street; on Fourth street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Third street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Ravine street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Hudson Avenue, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Plum street, from Maria Avenue to Maple street; on Cherry street, from Hoffman Avenue to Maria Avenue; on Lizzie street, from the Mississippi river to Etna street; thence in a direct line from the intersection of Lizzie and Etna streets to the center of McLean street and Maria Avenue; thence on Maria Avenue, from McLean street to Seventh street, which were examined and approved and the Clerk was directed to advertise for bids.

In the matter of the petition of Mrs. J. H. Simpson asking to be allowed $327.50 for damages claimed to have been done to the foundation of her barn by the filling of Grove street, the Engineer reported that if left till next spring said foundation can be repaired by the street force at a cost not to exceed $50, which report was accepted and adopted and the Engineer was instructed to carry out his recommendation.

In the matter of the assessment against lot 19, A. V. Brown's Subdivision of W ½ of block 6, Stinson, Brown & Ramsey's Addition to St. Paul (William R. Brown supposed owner), for grading Pleasant Avenue, from Ramsey street to the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway right of way, the Engineer reported that said lot has no frontage on said Pleasant Avenue. Report accepted and on motion the assessment against said lot 19 for grading said Pleasant Avenue was ordered abated, so as to conform to the facts and rights of the case as intended.

On motion it was ordered that the Council be asked to amend the final order approved July 31, 1885, for the opening, widening and extension of Mohawk Avenue, between Page street and Cherokee Avenue, the same being erroneous as to the description of the property to be taken for the proposed improvement, and to pass and refer to this Board a correct final order for the opening, widening and extension of said Mohawk Avenue.

The following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

Resolved, That hereafter in preparing specifications for all contract work the Engineer be instructed to fix the time within which the work shall be completed, so that the same shall read in said specifications, "This work shall be completed within —— days from the date of the contract," and that the resolution on this subject adopted Dec. 15, 1885, is hereby repealed.

On motion the vote by which, on the 8th inst., the assessment for opening and widening Division street, between Victoria and Chatsworth streets, was completed and the Clerk directed to give the confirmation notice, was reconsidered and said assessment notice annulled, the same being erroneous, and on further motion the Clerk was directed to give a new first notice.

The Clerk was directed to give notice of correction in the matter of the assessment for the construction, relaying and repairing of stone sidewalks, under contract of Charles and Henry Lauer (Estimate No. 3), for term beginning April 1, 1885, and ending November 1, 1885, in front of lot 16, block 4, St. Paul Proper, (Robert street, West Side), as to amount, description and owners' names.

The Clerk was directed to give the first assessment notice for the opening of an alley running east and west in block 12, St. Paul Proper, from easterly line of lots 6 and 9 to alley in said block 12, heretofore opened by the board of Public Works, on the property on the line of and adjoining said proposed improvement.

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournments thereunder, the matter of making and completing the assessment for the widening of Ravoux street to a width of fifty feet, from Fuller street to Martin street, came up and the same was adjourned to March 15, 1886, at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Arundel street, from Minnehaha street to the right of way of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railroad Company, came up and the same was adjourned to the 24th inst. at 7:30 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Kent street, from Minnehaha street to the right of way of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railroad Company, came up and the same was adjourned to the 24th inst. at 7:30 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making aud completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Mackubin street, from Minnehaha street to the right of way of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railroad Company, came up and the same was adjourned to the 24th inst. at 7:30 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening, widening and extension of Victoria street, from Summit Avenue to Grace street, came up and the same was adjourned to the 22d inst. at 2 p. m.

Pursuant to due notice the matter of making and completing the assessment for the opening of Dale street, from Marshall Avenue to Min