Tuesday June 6, 1854

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B. Sidenstricker Esq. President, & all the members except Mr. Webster.

Mr. Slater presented a petition from J. Hagan & others praying permission for an obstruction of a wharf, on the 4th of July instant; which was read.

On motion of Mr. Slater, an order was sent to the First Branch, proposing that the rule relative to the reception of new business, be suspended in favor of the said petition.

The First Branch returned the ordinance to close & repave Broadway, and the ordinance to authorize the Mayor to accept the bed of Chase, Eden & Spring streets, respectively, & endorsed "passed".

The First Branch returned the ordinance to condemn & open Park street, & endorsed "not concurred".

The First Branch returned the resolution in favor of Timothy Dempsey, & endorsed "concurred".

A resolution in relation to the petition of Mr. Michelle & others, concurred in by the First Branch, was read & laid on the table.

The First Branch returned the bill entitled "A supplement to ordinance No. 110, No. 33, &c., & endorsed "concurred with proposed amendments".

Amendments proposed; Strike out the word "Regulate" in 4th line, & insert the word "Mayor". — Add the following additional section; Sec. 5, And be it enacted & ordained, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances, inconsistent with this ordinance, be & the same are hereby repealed".

The amendments were read & on motion of Mr. Stewart concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Slater, an ordinance to change the grade of Barden street, was taken up, read & will pass.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the bill entitled "A supplementary ordinance to revised ordinance No. 25, approved April 18, 1850" &c. was taken up & read.

On motion of Mr. Barlow, the bill was laid on the table & ordered to be reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Barlow, an ordinance to open a street & alley, extending from Barden to Dallas streets, was taken up, read & will pass.

On motion of Mr. Slater, a bill entitled "A supplement to ordinance No. 7, passed April 30, 1851, &c." was taken up, read, & will pass.

On motion of Mr. Lee, the vote on the passage of the bill entitled "A supplement to ordinance No. 132, of revised ordinances 1850, &c., was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Vickers, the bill was recommitted to the joint committee on police & jail.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the resolution to provide a pump for Freeman School No. 1, was taken up, read & concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Griffith, the Branch adjourned till to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clk.

By order

John F. Pitt
Clk

Wednesday June 7, 1854

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B. Sidenstricker Esq. President, & all the members except Mr. Webster.

The First Board returned the ordinance to open & endorsed Hoffman street, and the ordinance to widen North Eutaw street, respectively, & endorsed "passed".

A resolution to provide for the sale of dividend stock of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Company held by the City; was received from the First Board, read a first & second time, & laid on the table, Yeas & Nays.

A message was received from the Mayor, announcing that he had approved & signed an ordinance & directed to authorize & direct the harbor master to provide a wharf for the exclusive use of the fishermen & dealers in fish; An ordinance to change the grade of Linden street, from Mt. Meeker street to Druid Avenue; An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to accept a deed of the bed of Eliza street, between Mosher & Howard streets; A supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to appoint a city commissioner & an assistant city commissioner, to prescribe their duties, & to fix their compensation; resolution in favor of Samuel J. Tenley; Resolution to provide for stepping stones on Pratt street at Hanover & Sharp streets; and resolution in favor of George Peters & others for services rendered in the condemnation of Federal Hill Square.

On motion of Mr. Barlow, the bill entitled "A supplementary ordinance to revised ordinance No. 25 &c." was taken up & read.

Mr. Vickers moved to strike out all of sec. 1, after the character "&c." in 4th line, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Stewart moved to strike out all of sec. 1, after the 2d line, and insert the word "from their districts or in or on the city, without first obtaining permission from the Mayor & High Constable", which was determined in the affirmative.

The Ordinance with proposed amendments.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the resolution on the petition of Wm. Michelle, was taken up & read.

Mr. Stewart offered the following substitute, which was read & accepted;

Whereas the Mayor & City Council are of the opinion that a change in the watch districts is advisable, but owing to the fact that the City at the present time is burdened with taxes they do not think this is the proper time for making such change; therefore, Be it Resolved that the laying out of the City in new Watch & Police districts be referred to the consideration of the next Council.

The resolution was amended in with proposed substitute.

Mr. Stewart from the joint committee on Police & Jail reported back to the Council bill No. 33, with alteration, save the striking out of the preamble, which was read & laid on the table.

A message was received from the First Branch, concurring in the proposition to suspend the rule relative to new business in favor of the petition of J. Hagan, which was read & laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Vickers the petition of J. Hagan, was referred to the joint committee on Police & Jail.

Mr. Griffith moved that a message be sent to the First Board, asking the appointment of a committee of conference on the ordinance relative to the opening of Park street, which was determined in the affirmative; Yeas & Nays.

The President appointed as said committee Messrs. Griffith, Fields & Stewart.

On motion of Mr. Slater, the resolution to improve Madison Square was taken up & read.