

ing the whole amount due the contractors for paving said avenue, and also to issue and deliver to the contractors for paving said avenue, street paving bonds to the amount of \$4,577 57, in accordance with parts two, three and four of the assessment rolls, said bonds to be dated and delivered 60 days after the date of the confirmation by this Council of said assessment rolls.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Botsford, Broeg, Christian, Daly, Dulla, Flower, Garrison, Grelling, Hinchman, Hough, Lichtenberg, O'Keefe, Preston, Ruehle, Shanahan, Stange, Welch, and the President *pro tem.*—18.

Nays—None

FROM THE SURVEYOR AND ASSESSOR.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—The undersigned, to whom was referred the matter of establishing the assessment district for opening Mack street from Gratiot street to Mt. Elliott avenue, have examined the matter and report in favor of assessing all lots adjoining and lying within 300 feet of said Mack street, from the east line of Elmwood avenue to the west line of Mt. Elliott avenue. Also, in the matter of opening Preston street from the west line of Mt. Elliott avenue to the south line of Gratiot street, would respectfully report in favor of assessing all lots adjoining the northerly and southerly lines of said Preston street, within the limits above described.

Very respectfully,

EUGENE ROBINSON,  
City Surveyor.  
H. H. LEROY,  
City Assessor.

Accepted and placed on file.

FROM THE CITY SURVEYOR.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In accordance with the resolution of your honorable body of October 7, I submit herewith the proper description of that part of Jefferson avenue occupied by Henry Miller:

All that part of the George Hunt farm, bounded as follows: Commencing at the northeasterly corner of Elmwood and Jefferson avenues and running thence north 60 degrees east 440 feet; thence south 26 degrees east 14 50-100 feet; thence southwesterly along the line of fence situated on part of Jefferson avenue, 40 feet; thence north 26 degrees west 16 feet to the place of beginning.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE ROBINSON,  
City Surveyor.

Accepted and placed on file.

FROM THE CLERK OF THE RECORDER'S COURT.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your honorable body that the jury heretofore empaneled in the matter of opening Margaret street from the west line of St. Aubin farm to St. Aubin avenue, have filed their report, and that the same was duly confirmed by the Recorder's Court of the city of Detroit on Thursday, the 2d day of October, 1873, and that I have, on this 10th day of October, filed in the office of the City Clerk a certified copy of said report and of the order of said court confirming the same.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. MELDRUM,  
Clerk Recorder's Court.

Accepted and placed on file.

FROM THE CITY CLERK.

That he presented the proceedings of the last Council to the Mayor on the 8th inst., and the same were approved on the 10th inst., except as above noted.

Accepted and placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

WAYS AND MEANS.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the report of the Clerk of the Police Court, respectfully report that they have examined the same, and believing it correct, recommend its approval,

The official bond of James Clark, as collector of the First Ward, which also was referred to the committee, is herewith returned without their approval.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID PRESTON,  
GUY F. HINCHMAN,  
C. M. GARRISON.

Accepted and adopted.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the weekly report of the various city offices for the week ending October 3, 1873, have carefully examined the same, and believing them to be correct, recommend their approval.

Very respectfully,

DAVID PRESTON,  
C. M. GARRISON,  
G. F. HINCHMAN.

Accepted and adopted.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS AND COUNSELOR.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—The undersigned Committee on Claims and Accounts and City Counselor, to whom was referred on the ——— July last, claim 95, of Patrick Cullane for grading and sodding done on the Woodward avenue side of East Grand Circus Park, respectfully report that a resolution was unanimously adopted April 18, 1873, directing the Street Commissioner of the Eastern District to cause this work to be done, and the same was done by Mr. Cullane, at request of such commissioner; that the charge therefore is just and the claim should be paid, and we present herewith a resolution to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES FLOWER,  
D. C. HOLBROOK,  
City Counselor.

Resolved, That the Controller draw his warrant on the ——— fund in favor of Patrick Cullane for the sum of \$ —, being the amount of said claim.

Objected to and laid over under the rules.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—The undersigned, Committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred, with the City Counselor, the claim of Fred Koepen, numbered 94, for sod furnished to improve Grand Circus Park, respectfully report the following facts which appear from the testimony taken on the subject:

In the fall of 1872 Ald. Parsons requested Patrick Cullane to do two or three days' work grading and sodding on the Woodward avenue side of the park, and, if the work suited him, he would get a resolution of the Council passed to complete the job. Mr. Parsons then left the city. During his absence, Ald. Preston passing by, a conversation occurred between him and Cullane, which he, Cullane, understood as a direction to go on and finish the job. Cullane requested Koepen to procure and draw the sod therefor, which he did in the absence of Mr. Parsons. Koepen was then in the employment of Mr. Parsons, and used his team and wagon in drawing the sod, but Mr. Parsons gave the time consumed and the use of the team to Koepen, and he, Parsons, is no way interested in the claim.

The work was done at about one-half the usual price charged for like services.

We do not find that this work was done under any direction or resolution of the Council, or by any officer of the city authorized to order it. Had Ald. Parsons been at home a resolution would probably have been introduced, but in his absence it was done without authority, and Ald. Parsons refused to allow the claim.

Mr. Cullane, without doubt, acted honestly in the belief that he was properly authorized to proceed with the work, and requested Mr. Koepen to furnish the sod, which he did at a very reduced price.

The undersigned find that the work was necessary, proper and charge reasonable, and under all