

Accepted and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

From the Public Lighting Commission.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—With a fuel bill of more than Fifty-six thousand (\$56,000.00) Dollars, for the operation of the public lighting plant last year, it may be readily conceived that even a small improvement in efficiency will save an appreciable amount.

In order to aid and assist the firemen in the plant to obtain a more perfect combustion of the fuel, it is desirable to fit up some instruments—a steam flow meter, a draft gauge and a pressure gauge.

For the purchase of these instruments Two hundred twenty eight and 50-100 (\$228.50) Dollars is required. Permission is hereby asked to have this amount transferred for this purpose, from last year's unexpended balance.

Respectfully submitted,
PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMISSION,
F. T. BOWLER,
Secretary.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

From the Clerk of the Recorder's Court.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your honorable body that a jury duly impanelled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of opening Edward street from Clippert avenue to Martin avenue where not already open 60 feet wide as a public street and highway rendered a verdict in favor of said opening December 11th, 1913, which was confirmed by the Court December 16th, 1913.

In accordance with the statute, I herewith transmit a certified copy of said verdict, and of the judgment of confirmation.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. GROGAN,
Clerk.

Accepted, and referred to the Committee on Street Openings.

From the Sinking Fund Commission

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—A meeting of the Detroit City Sinking Fund Commission was held, Monday, Dec. 15th, 1913, at 11 a. m. at the Wayne County Savings Bank. The following Commissioners were present:

Marx, Engel, Vernor, Freiwald, Jakel Barnett and Koch.

The Commissioners took from the Strong Box (249) Two Hundred forty-nine Wayne County Building Bonds due May 1, 1914, and sold same to the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners of Wayne County, receiving par value for the bonds amounting to \$249,000.00 and accrued interest at 3½ per cent from November 1st to December 15th, 1913, amounting to \$1,075.07. The entire amount received being placed to the credit of the Detroit City Sinking Fund.

The Commission then adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
MAX C. KOCH,
Secretary

Accepted and referred to the Controller.
Ald. Schemansky entered and took his seat.

From the Sinking Fund Commission

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—A meeting of the Detroit City Sinking Fund Commission was held Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, 1913, at 11 a. m. at the Wayne County Savings Bank. The following Commissioners were present:

Marx, Engel, Vernor, Freiwald, Jakel and Barnett.

The City Treasurer delivered to the Commissioners (48) Special Assessment Bonds, Nos. 6561 to 6608, amounting to \$78,371.04 and 1 Reg. Public Sewer Bond No. 739 amounting to \$269,000.00 which were placed in the Strong Box.

The Commissioners took from the Strong Box for payment (41) Special Assessment Bonds, amounting to \$48,435.65, and of the following numbers: 3776, 3780, 3784, 3788, 3792, 3796, 3800, 3804, 3808, 4336, 4340, 4344, 4348, 4352, 4356, 4360, 4364, 4368, 4372, 4960, 4964, 4968, 4972, 4976, 4980, 4984, 4988, 5649, 5653, 5657, 5661, 5665, 5669, 5673, 5677, 5681, 5685, 5689, 5693, 5697 and 5701.

The annual interest to Dec. 15th, 1913, on Special Assessment Bonds held by the Detroit City Sinking Fund Commission amounting to \$4,334.07, was paid.

The City Treasurer submitted the following reports showing condition of the Sinking Fund Cash Account and amount of securities in the Strong Box:

STATEMENT SHOWING CONDITION OF SINKING FUND CASH ACCT.

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| Dec. 9—To balance | \$113,339.54 |
| Dec. 15—County of Wayne for 249 Wayne County Bonds | 249,000.00 |
| Dec. 15—County of Wayne for accrued interest on above bonds | 1,075.07 |
| Dec. 23—Proceeds of meeting | 52,769.72 |
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| Dec. 23—Disbursements since last meeting | \$416,184.33 |
| Dec. 23—To balance | \$68,813.29 |

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF SECURITIES IN STRONG BOX

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| Dec. 9—To credit of Detroit City Sinking Fund | \$3,516,856.79 |
| Dec. 23—To 41 Special Assessment Bonds taken up | 48,435.65 |
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| Dec. 23—To 48 Special Assessment Bonds No. 6561 to 6608 deposited | \$ 78,371.04 |
| Dec. 23—To 1 reg. Public Sewer Bond No. 739 | 269,000.00 |
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| Dec. 23—To credit of Detroit City Sinking Fund | \$3,815,792.18 |
| Dec. 23—To credit of S. A. S. & Interest Fund | 384,000.00 |
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| Dec. 23—Total amount securities in Strong Box | \$4,199,792.18 |