

City of Cambridge.

In Board of Aldermen, April 21st 1869.

The Committee on Roads & Bridges to whom was referred that portion of the Petition of Estes Howe et al asking that the ditch on the Westerly side of Court St may be filled up, have considered the same. They find that said street was laid out in 1832, sixty feet wide, across the marsh to Broad Canal, and that twelve feet more or less of this sixty feet was dug up for the purpose of obtaining material to build the roadway, leaving the present ditch which the petitioners ask may be filled up. Your committee further find that the City had good right to dig said ditch and use the material so obtained for the purpose named, and that no legal claim exists against the City for their action in the matter. They are also of the opinion that the present width of roadway is sufficient for the purposes of public travel along said street. Nevertheless, as it was not the intention of the City when

digging said ditch, to deprive the owners of the abutting land from access to the street, your committee would recommend that whenever the land so abutting is required for the purposes of improvement, the City shall then fill up the ditch to a proper grade, the abuttor's agreeing to pay one half of the expense of said filling.

For the Committee

Wm. Wright

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.
Attest: Justin A. Jacobs. City Clerk.

Report
Committee^o Roadsnd Bridges
on
Petition of Estes Hove et al.
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Ordered: that when the land now separated from Court St by the ditch on the westerly side of said street, shall be needed for the purposes of improvement, the Superintendent of Streets ^{hereby} is authorized and directed to fill up said ditch to a proper grade with the street, provided that the abutters shall obligate themselves to pay one half the expense of said filling; the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses.

In C.C.
to 2^d ready
May 4

(April 28, 1869) Adopted and sent down for concurrence -

Attest, Justin A. Jacobs. City Clerk

In Common Council May 11, 1869

Concurred Attest J. W. Cotton Clerk

Order

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To fill up the ditch on W side of Court St

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Receded.