

In the Council Chambers of the Showers Municipal City Hall held on Wednesday, April 16, 1997 at 7:30 pm with Council President Pizzo presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 16, 1997

Roll Call: Banach, Young, Mayer, Cole, Pizzo, Service, Sabbagh, Sherman, Pierce.

ROLL CALL

Council President Pizzo gave the Agenda Summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

The minutes of April 2, 1997 were approved by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

David Sabbagh read and presented an Encomium to BHS North Basketball Coach Tom McKinney and his son David, honoring them for the 1997 State Basketball Championship they brought home to Bloomington.

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCILMEMBERS

Banach expressed concern about a frequent meeting visitor, Scott Tibbs, who will not be here for a few months as he undergoes treatment for cancer. Banach wished him good luck. He also mentioned upcoming Utilities Department meetings to determine and select a storm water consultant/program to deal with the surface water that is entering our wastewater treatment process. He also commented about the Bike & Ped Commission request for a coordinator and questioned the need for the position and added expense.

Cole also congratulated Coach McKinney and said how thrilled she was to read the mayor's proclamation the Monday after the championship. She complimented him on his entire coaching demeanor. Regarding, Middle Way House, she hoped the planning and financing details with the county can be worked out and said this latest wrinkle is a real setback.

Service also congratulated the BHS North team, and said that her daughter living in England was also very excited. Service also wished that people would let the new Fire Chief get on with her job and given the chance to prove herself. She also talked about the Community Kitchen current membership drive, urged people to get involved and said and how worthwhile the volunteer activities are.

Sabbagh again congratulate the BHS North team, acknowledging the real value of teamwork. He also commented on the report/meeting today with the Urban Land Institute pertaining to new usage opportunities for the Thomson plan was very good and thought that they presented a number of good points for us as a community to consider.

Pierce said that as Clerk of the Indiana House of Representatives, he got to sign a proclamation for the BHS North Cougars and right after that the BHS South Science Olympiad Team also visited the State House. Bloomington really shines!!

Pizzo said that his son Angelo, author of HOOSIERS, thought it was also a great game and thought there was probably another great story there. He also praised the Community Kitchen and said that he has volunteered there for years. He also reported briefly on the Civil City Task Force that met last Saturday and reported their findings to the persons that were there. A report will be forthcoming sometime this summer.

Deputy Mayer McNamara also acknowledged the success of our Special Olympics team that went all the way to Indianapolis and was also a winner! He introduced IU Track Coach Sam Bell who updated the council on the upcoming NCAA Track & Field Championships that will be held here in

MESSAGES FROM THE
MAYOR

Bloomington this summer and urged everyone to get involved in making this a real community effort to welcome these athletes from all over the country. The world will be coming to our door, because the track and field is one sport that has athletes from all over the world, so the press coverage will be intense. He introduced Allison Morgan who will be competing and she talked about what the community support means to the athletes and it really is a chance for Bloomington to shine.

McNamara also announced that the Controllors Department as again won the coveted financial award in government reporting for our CAFR annual report. Susan Truelock and Jamie Brinegar were singled out for their contribution to that report.

Barbara McKinney was recently honored by the Commission on Multi cultural Understanding and also won the IU Dean of Students Award for her work with the Human Rights Commission.

David Hamilton, Deputy Fire Chief, introduced to the council two firefighters, Donny Bayne and Jim Parrot, and related the details of an incident that occurred while the two firefighters who were on duty and who were well prepared to help Richard Shedd and his wife in a desperate emergency. Suffering what turned out to be a heart attach, Mrs. Shedd took her husband to the fire station because time was running out as she tried to get him all the way to the hospital. The fire fighters were there to help and their quick actions saved his life. Mr. Shedd presented the fire fighters a plaque, a plant for the fire station and a heartfelt thanks for saving his life.

MESSAGES FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

Marc Lame, Chairman of the Environmental Commission, presented a report to the council regarding their fulfillment of their mission, noting the accumulated expertise of 164 years of experience and environmental knowledge and their goal to continue analyzing various planning proposals that come to the city. Also upcoming and continuing city and county concerns about drinking water, the environmental quality report and the development of a report on new federal air quality standards and the effect on our community. To this end they are requesting an intern to work with them on this process. They hope to develop a report on these new regulations. He expressed concern that they as a volunteer group, provide advice that is often not considered and could have negative implications for future administrative policy decisions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Banach said that he has been working with Bill Jones on a resolution concerning the Water Quality Report that he has released and some of the concerns raised by Lame are being addressed in that report.

Service, as council liaison to the Environmental Commission, said that this is one of most positive contributors of any board or commission we have and that is why she was concerned at the last Plan Commission meeting, when a recommendation of the Environmental Commission Subcommittee and full Commission was presented in opposition of a particular development, and was dismissed and the waiver of second hearing was granted.

Pizzo assured Lame that this council would listen to any recommendation that the Environmental Commission put forth.

* Jim Russey and Mike Carmin, representing the Chamber of Commerce, presented a short report on the Chamber's Infrastructure Task Force Study that was completed earlier this year. He commended the council for the

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

integrated planning process that is now in place between the city and county as well as all the governmental and business groups that participated in the study and report. He presented the council with reports and an executive summary of the key points. This task force will be a permanent ongoing chamber committee so that reports and interactions will be a continual process, rather than a Task Force report every 3-5 years.

Mike Carmin commented on all the people who have contributed to this process and report on this chamber sponsored and community supported document. Given the staggering costs of some of the recommendations, it is important that cooperative efforts exist in order to plan and budget for the suggested projects. He used the Storm water Detention Program that the federal government will mandate as an example. Long range planning is imperative because long range funding is the only way to accomplish the projects.

Cole asked if there was a list in order of priorities. Russey said there were summaries in each report. Sherman was pleased that the report also offered suggestions for funding sources for the particular projects that are being recommended.

Toby Strout, Executive Director of Middle Way House, informed the council as long time supporters of their S. Washington Housing facility for women fleeing violence, that the project was effectively killed by the county council yesterday afternoon. (The county council determined that county COIT funds, promised earlier, would not be released because of the lack of compliance on the part of Middle Way House regarding agreements for the legal proof of actual funds and collateralization or accessibility of those funds) She said they are committed to raising the funds necessary to construct the housing that is so desperately needed.

Kevin Enright, County Surveyor, also spoke in support of the Middle Way House project and hoped that solution can be found to the funding dilemma and he hoped that the county council would support the project.

It was moved and seconded and approved by a voice vote that the following appointments to the Boards and Commission noted be made:

Traffic Commission	Dion Garner
Animal Control	Vicky Myers
Redevelopment Comm	Michael DeNunzio

There was no legislation for Second Reading. It was moved and seconded that the following legislation be introduced and read by title only by the clerk for First Reading before the Common Council.

Clerk Williams read the legislation by title only.
Ordinance 97-14 To Amend the Bloomington Zoning Maps from RS 4.5 and I (Institutional) to PUD and to Approve the Preliminary Plan re: 1208 and 1210 W. 8th Street (J. Williams Baus, petitioner)

Ordinance 97-15 To Amend the Preliminary Plan for a PUD re: 1599 E. Rhorer Road (Ken Blackwell, Petitioner).

There were no comments from the public.

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APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

SECOND READINGS-NONE
LEGISLATION FOR FIRST
READING
ORDINANCE 97-14
ORDINANCE 97-15

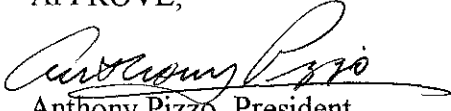
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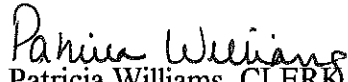
The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm and reconvened as a Committee of the Whole to discuss legislation introduced for first reading this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE;

ATTEST;


Anthony Pizzo, President
Bloomington Common Council


Patricia Williams, CLERK
City of Bloomington

* JIM RUSIC