

In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 with President Darryl Neher presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
October 30, 2013

Roll Call: Mayer, Ruff, Granger, Sturbaum, Neher, Spechler  
Absent: Rollo, Sandberg, Volan

ROLL CALL

Council President Neher gave the Agenda Summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of September 25, 2013 be approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved by a voice vote.

REPORTS

Marty Spechler said Ohio's governor had approved Medicaid, but the Indiana governor had not. He said this was outrageous and unacceptable for low income people in Indiana.

- COUNCIL MEMBERS

Tim Mayer thanked Bloomington Firefighters and Police for their work on Friday responding to a gas main break which could have had devastating effects to an old infrastructure in the downtown area.

Also, Mayer said he and his wife attended a free jazz concert featuring the Jazz Combo at the Musical Arts Center on Campus this past Monday, and mentioned there would be future concerts to come.

Andy Ruff announced an event of Bloomington NAACP, Bloomington Human Rights Commission and others on "How to Make Peace with Drugs" addressing how the war on drugs has targeted Black males.

Chris Sturbaum said he believed that state and federal legislators acted as if health insurance and Medicaid was a game for them to score points. He said, real people were paying the price, and what these legislators were doing was immoral. Sturbaum explained that he was able to get right through on the phone line to the federal government to inquire about health care under the new ACA. He also said for the first time in years, his insurance would not be going up in price. He said that many people would find cheaper insurance due to their income level. He expressed frustration with the exaggerations of politicians who were trying to rid the country of food stamps, health care and other services, and asked that we remove from office those people who were obstructing the government and progress.

Dorothy Granger applauded Sturbaum for his passionate statement and said it inspired her.

Darryl Neher announced that Trick or Trick for Bloomington had been postponed from Thursday until Friday November 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

He also praised Indiana University for opposing HJR6, a proposal to amend the Indiana constitution to make marriage legal only between one man and one woman. Neher announced that on Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at noon, Freedom Indiana, the statewide organization opposing HJR6 would hold an event in the Mauer School of Law on HJR6.

He thanked Sandberg for introducing a city of Bloomington common council Resolution opposing HJR6, and for allowing him to be one of the co-sponsors along with Mayer.

There were no reports from the Mayor's office or other city offices at this meeting.

- The MAYOR AND CITY OFFICES

There were no reports from council committees at this meeting.

- COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Call for public comment brought no comments.

- PUBLIC

It was moved and seconded that William Morris be appointed to the Human Rights Commission.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The nomination was approved by a voice vote.

It was moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance 13-19 To Authorize the Issuance of Bonds by the Monroe County Redevelopment Commission Pursuant to IC 36-7-14-3.5

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Jeff Cockerill, County Legal explained that this ordinance would approve Monroe County Redevelopment Commission's issuance of bonds payable with TIF funds from the county's Westside TIF District. Since a part of this TIF District had been annexed by the city, the city council needed to approve the action.

Council questions:

Mayer asked if Jeff was on WFHB and said he did a very good job.

Council Comments:

Spechler said this was to help support IVY Tech and added that it was much needed and very important.

Sturbaum said he was happy to support this.

ACTION: Ordinance 13-19 was approved by a roll call vote of Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to table Ordinance 13-21 To Amend Title 8 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled "Historic Preservation and Protection" (Changes to Chapter 8.02 - Definitions, Chapter 8.08 - Historic Districts and Standards, Chapter 8.12 - Demolition and Public Safety, Chapter 8.16 - Administration and Enforcement and Chapter 8.20 - List of Designated Historic Districts)

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ACTION: The motion to table Ordinance 13-21 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

Appropriation Ordinance 13-03 To Transfer Funds from the Parks Land Acquisition Fund to the Cumulative Capital Development Fund (CCDF) and to Specifically Appropriate CCDF Funds Not Otherwise Appropriated (Appropriating Funds for the Building, Remodeling and Repair of Parks and Recreation Facilities)

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING  
Appropriation Ordinance 13-03

Ordinance 13-20 To Amend Ordinance 04-05 which Designated an Economic Development Target Area ("EDTA") - Re: Woolery Stone Mill, 2200 West Tapp Road

Ordinance 13-20 To Amend Ordinance 04-05

There was no public comment in this portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Sherman, Council Attorney/Administrator, noted the following upcoming meetings of the council:

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

An Internal Work Session at noon on November 18<sup>th</sup> in the Hooker Room of Showers City Hall.

President Neher announced a Special Session on November 6<sup>th</sup> immediately following the Committee of the Whole to bring forward Ordinance 13-21 which was just previously table.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Darryl Neher, PRESIDENT  
Bloomington Common Council

Regina Moore, CLERK  
City of Bloomington