In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall on Wednesday, JANUARY 3, 2007 at 7:40 pm with Council President Chris Sturbaum presiding over the Organizational Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION **JANUARY 3, 2007** 

Roll Call: Wisler, Diekhoff, Ruff, Sandberg, Rollo, Sturbaum, Volan,

Sabbagh

Absent: Mayer

ROLL CALL

Council President Sturbaum gave the Agenda Summation

AGENDA SUMMATION

There were no minutes to be approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES REPORTS:

**COUNCILMEMBERS** 

Mike Diekhoff welcomed Susan Sandberg to her first meeting as a council member. She replaced Chris Gaal who was elected Prosecutor in the recent

election.

Susan Sandberg said she was delighted to be present on the council. She noted the day's newspaper article regarding hunger not being just a seasonal problem. She encouraged citizens to support the Hoosier Hills Food Bank and other organizations that address this issue all year long.

Dave Rollo welcomed Sandberg to the council, noting that he looked forward to serving with her.

Steve Volan, noting that Councilmember Mayer was not present, sent get well wishes to him at home. He also welcomed Sandberg to the council and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

David Sabbagh welcomed Sandberg to the council also, noting that she had been sworn in to office several days before this. He noted the passing of President Gerald R. Ford, the 38th US President. He read a few quotes by Ford that were published after he became president regarding the war in Vietnam, his family, political life, his pardon of Richard Nixon and parts of his inauguration address.

Andy Ruff welcomed Sandberg to the council.

Chris Sturbaum welcomed Sandberg. He said his New Year's wish for our country was that we would now find our national conscience and with that find peace.

There were no reports at this meeting.

MAYOR and CITY OFFICES

There were no reports at this meeting.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

There were no comments by the public at this meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT

It was moved and seconded that the following slate of officers for 2007 be elected:

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS** 

President

Dave Rollo Steve Volan

Vice President Parliamentarian

Timothy Mayer

The slate was approved by a voice vote.

Council Members changed seats in accordance with their new positions or assigned by the new president. New council president Rollo thanked outgoing president Sturbaum for his service, and presented him with an engraved gavel to commemorate his term as president.

It was moved and seconded that the following appointments to various Council Positions be considered:

**BOARD AND COMMISSION** APPOINTMENTS

Citizens Advisory Committee (Community Development Block Grants)

-Social Services Andy Ruff

Timothy Mayer (07) -Physical Improvements Susan Sandberg (08) -Physical Improvements

Commission for Bloomington Downtown Chris Sturbaum Economic Development Commission (City) Mike Diekhoff Regina Moore Economic Development Commission (County) Environmental Resource Advisory Committee Dave Rollo Metropolitan Planning Organization Andy Ruff Chris Sturbaum Plan Commission

Solid Waste Management District Stephen Volan Chris Sturbaum Urban Enterprise Association Board Utilities Services Board Timothy Mayer Bloomington Economic Development Corporation Dave Rollo

The nominations were approved by a voice vote.

President Rollo appointed the following council members to the Council Social Services Funding Committee:

Diekhoff, Mayer, Ruff, Sabbagh, Sandberg

President Rollo appointed the following council members to the Council Sidewalk Committee:

Sandberg, Rollo, Ruff, Sturbaum

President Rollo appointed council members to Board and Commission Interview Committees according to a proposal published in the packet for this meeting.

There was no legislation for second reading or final action.

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND

READING

It was moved and seconded that the following legislation be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. Clerk Moore read the legislation by title and synopsis.

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

Ordinance 07-01 To Amend Title 7 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled "Animals" (To Implement the Trap-Neuter-Return Method of Feral Cat Management and to Establish Feral Cat Care Guidelines)

Ordinance 07-01

There was no public input at this time.

PUBLIC INPUT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Dave Rollo, PRESIDENT **Bloomington Common Council**  Regina Moore, CLERK City of Bloomington