

In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall, Bloomington, Indiana on Wednesday, January 09, 2019 at 6:31pm with Council President Dorothy Granger presiding over the Organizational Meeting of the Common Council.	COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING January 9, 2019
Members Present: Ruff, Sturbaum, Chopra, Piedmont-Smith, Granger, Volan, Sandberg, Sims, Rollo Members Absent: None	ROLL CALL [6:31pm]
Council President Dorothy Granger gave a summary of the agenda.	AGENDA SUMMATION [6:32pm]
There were no minutes for approval.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Councilmember Dave Rollo spoke about the shutdown of the federal government.	REPORTS
Councilmember Jim Sims spoke about the founding of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>COUNCIL MEMBERS [6:33pm]</li></ul>
Councilmember Steve Volan spoke about the importance of mobility and its effects on a range of other issues.	
Granger wished everyone a happy New Year and wished for peace in the coming year.	
Councilmember Isabel Piedmont-Smith thanked Granger for her service as Council President.	
Councilmember Allison Chopra noted that she would not seek reelection. She encouraged those dissatisfied with representation to run for office.	
Councilmember Chris Sturbaum spoke about the importance of truth and objective reality.	
There were no reports from the Mayor or City Offices.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The MAYOR AND CITY OFFICES [6:39pm]</li></ul>
There were no reports from Council Committees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>COUNCIL COMMITTEES</li></ul>
Greg Alexander spoke about parking and traffic concerns.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>PUBLIC [6:53pm]</li></ul>
Daniel Bingham spoke about climate change.	
Marc Haggerty spoke about the need for representation in government.	
Piedmont-Smith and Sturbaum declared conflicts of interest under local code related to <u>Resolution 19-02</u> . Both stated that they could participate in the vote on the resolution fairly, objectively, and in the public interest. The disclosures were accepted by voice vote.	Disclosure of conflicts of interest

Chopra moved and it was seconded that the following slate of officers be elected:

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President: **Dave Rollo**  
Vice President: **Dorothy Granger**  
Parliamentarian: **Steve Volan**

The slate of officers was approved by a voice vote.

The councilmembers took new seats as assigned by the new president. Council President Rollo presided for the remainder of the meeting and presented outgoing President Granger with a plaque to commemorate her term as president.

Rollo appointed the following councilmembers to the Jack Hopkins Social Services Funding Committee: **Chopra (Chair), Granger, Piedmont-Smith, Ruff, and Sandberg**

## APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Rollo appointed the following councilmembers to the Council Sidewalk Committee: **Granger (Chair), Rollo, Sims, and Sturbaum**

Rollo appointed the following councilmembers to the Council Land Use Committee: **Chopra, Piedmont-Smith, Sturbaum, Volan (Chair)**

Rollo noted that the Board and Commission Interview Committee assignments would remain the same:

A-**Chopra, Sims, Sturbaum**  
B-**Granger, Volan, Ruff**  
C-**Piedmont-Smith, Rollo, Sandberg**

Volan moved and it was seconded that Council appointments to the following list of Boards and Commissions be approved:

Citizens Advisory Committee-Community Development Block Grants-Social Services **Sandberg**  
Citizens Advisory Committee- Community Development Block Grants-Physical Improvements **Ruff**  
Commission for Bloomington Downtown **Sturbaum**  
Economic Development Commission (City) **Rollo**  
Economic Development Commission (County) **Chopra**  
Environmental Resource Advisory Committee **Granger**  
Metropolitan Planning Organization **Ruff**  
Plan Commission **Sandberg**  
Solid Waste Management District **Piedmont-Smith**  
Board of the Urban Enterprise Association **Sturbaum**  
Utilities Services Board **Sims**  
Bloomington Economic Development Corporation **Sims**  
Bloomington Commission on Sustainability **Rollo**  
Parking Commission **Volan**  
Public Safety Local Income Tax Allocation Committee **Chopra, Granger, Piedmont-Smith, and Sims**

The motion was approved by voice vote.

Piedmont-Smith moved and it was seconded to reappoint Teddie Mower to the Commission on Sustainability, Gavin Everett to the Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs, Shawna Meyer-Niederman to the Commission on the Status of Children and Youth, George Hegeman to the Tree Commission, and Amanda Burnham to the Utilities Service Board.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

Sturbaum moved and it was seconded to appoint Matthew Cole to the Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association and to reappoint Alex Cartwright and Kent McDaniel to the Public Transportation Corporation, Jack Kahn to the Commission on Aging, Susie Hamilton and Diana Powell-Opata to the Housing Quality Appeals Board, and James Schultz to the Animal Control Commission.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

Granger moved and it was seconded to reappoint Mark Stosberg to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission, Seth Debro to the Commission on the Status of Black Males, James Sanders to the Dr. Marth Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commission, and Lindsey Hummel to the Environmental Commission.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-01 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. City Clerk Nicole Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-03 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (*cont'd*)

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

Ordinance 19-01 An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 18-18, Which Fixed the Salaries of Appointed Officers, Non-Union, and A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees for All the Departments of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana For the Year 2019 – Re: To Reflect Changes Due to the Execution of a Work Agreement between the City of Bloomington and Local 2487 CBME, A.F.S.C. M.E. and also Changes Affecting Three Additional Job Titles

Ordinance 19-03 To Amend Title 8 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled “Historic Preservation and Protection” to Establish a Historic District – Re: The Maple Heights Conservation District (Maple Heights Neighborhood Association, Petitioner)

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-04 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Ordinance 19-04 To Amend Title 8 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled "Historic Preservation and Protection" to Establish a Historic District – Re: 1175 S. Smith Road Historic District (The Harvey-Nelson House) (James and Sally Harvey, Petitioner)

#### LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING AND RESOLUTIONS

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-01 be introduced and considered for adoption at the same meeting and on the same night it was introduced.

Ordinance 19-01 An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 18-18, Which Fixed the Salaries of Appointed Officers, Non-Union, and A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees for All the Departments of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana For the Year 2019 – Re: To Reflect Changes Due to the Execution of a Work Agreement between the City of Bloomington and Local 2487 CBME, A.F.S.C.M.E. and also Changes Affecting Three Additional Job Titles

Piedmont-Smith explained the reason for introducing, discussing, and potentially voting on the matter on the same evening was so that the A.F.S.C.M.E. employees could receive recently negotiated pay increases with their first paycheck of 2019.

The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-01 be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Caroline Shaw, Director of Human Resources, thanked the Council for accommodating the requested changes to the salary ordinance. She noted the changes to three job positions. She summarized the changes that would be made to the salary ordinance as a result of the recently executed agreement between the city and the local A.F.S.C.M.E union.

Chopra asked if all A.S.F.C.M.E. workers would be paid a living wage. Shaw stated they were already paid a living wage before the recent agreement.

Council Questions:

Piedmont-Smith asked for more information about the contract ratification bonus.

Shaw said it new to Bloomington, but something that was not unusual for other contracts. She explained that anyone who was an A.F.S.C.M.E. employee for 2019 would receive a \$250 bonus.

Steve Robertson, President of Local 2487 A.F.S.C.M.E., said it was a one-time bonus for first year employees given on December 1.

Sims asked what the fiscal impact of the bonuses would be.

Shaw said she believed the bonuses would cost around \$40,000, assuming the same employees worked for the city in December.

Sims asked why the bonuses were included in the contract.

Shaw and Robertson said the bonuses were part of the negotiations between the city and the union.

Piedmont-Smith asked why a swing shift received more than a night shift and asked if that was typical. Ordinance 19-01 (cont'd)

Shaw said it had been that way for years and the pay rates had simply been adjusted accordingly.

Robertson said swing shift employees did not have set schedules, so there was less consistency.

Rollo asked about the long process for the contract negotiations.

Shaw reviewed the negotiation process. She said the city and the union had tried a new approach by taking a three-day retreat for the negotiations. She said the first contract had been voted down by the union membership, so a new one had to be negotiated, which took time.

Robertson said the retreat was a new experience, but was beneficial.

There was no public comment.

Public Comment:

Sandberg said everyone should be grateful for the individuals who provided the basic services in Bloomington.

Council Comment:

Sturbaum said it was nice to hear there was good faith negotiating and it showed that there could be good government.

Piedmont-Smith noted that the salary increases and increases for certifications were not included in the 2019 budget. She relayed information she had received from City Controller Jeff Underwood, who explained that the city would be able to pay for the increases through various sources.

Rollo noted that it was a long process and congratulated those involved.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-01 be adopted. The motion to adopt Ordinance 19-01 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Vote to adopt Ordinance 19-01.  
[7:42pm]

There was no additional public comment.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no changes to the council schedule.

COUNCIL SCHEDULE [7:43pm]

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 6th day of February, 2019.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:



Dave Rollo, PRESIDENT  
Bloomington Common Council



Nicole Bolden, CLERK  
City of Bloomington