

In the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday, February 21, 1996 at 9:10 PM with Council Vice-President Cole presiding over Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 21, 1996

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

ROLL CALL

The minutes of December 6, 1995 were approved by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Banach reported on patrolling with the Bloomington Police Dept, touring the water and wastewater plants, the Alternative School Open House this evening, snow removal aftermath - sand on the streets and the possibility of using something besides sand/salt on the roads.

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCILMEMBERS

Kiesling commended the Alternative School for their excellent program and also said the EPA Citizen Information Committee will continue to meet.

Young wondered if we could recycle some of the sand that is used on the roads, congratulate the university for their efforts to update the dorms and making them more appealing for students and he wished all the local high school athletes, coaches and parents the best as the winter programs come to an end and the spring activities begin.

Pizzo commented on the CARES program and its success in reducing the use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco among our youth.

Service reminded people of the local production of Romeo and Juliet this weekend. She also commented on a recent HT editorial on the cynicism of a remark she made during the meeting. While it was intended as a joke, sometimes it is true if you vote NO on something one is then relieved of the consequences that are often visible. A bad decision that is made by the council is not like a bad decision in ones private life, it is something that the community has to live with for a lifetime. Lots of projects have not lived up to their expectations and this makes an impact after awhile.

Pierce said HB 1261 is almost a reality, that the BZA is rule on the appropriateness of cellular towers and the need for a comprehensive policy needs to be implemented. He urged Cellular One to consider other locations for their tower.

Cole said it was important that the community continue to be involved in the health care discussion and urged everyone to continue talking and sharing information about health care in this community. She wished David Sabbagh a Happy Birthday.

Mayor Fernandez said that they would be happy to put together some information regarding the salt and sand issue/process. At the current time there are 5 sweepers working a daily schedule and that the sand is recycled. He praised the Bloomington South Academic Decathlon team that won the state championship on February 10 for the sixth time! That certainly says alot about the value of education and the young people in our community. He acknowledged Susan Truelock and Steve Abbot for the financial reporting awards recently received. He thanked all the hard working, committed city employees.

MESSAGES FROM
THE MAYOR

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It was moved, seconded and approved by a voice vote that the following re-appointments be made:

Housing Quality Appeals Board
Telecommunications Council

Susie Hamilton
Keith Klein
Sharon Mayell
Naomi Ritter

Womens Commission

APPOINTMENTS TO
BOARDS AND
COMMISSIONS

All appointments are for a two year term.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-5 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the legislation by title only.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-5 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of Do- 3-0-5 was given.

LEGISLATION FOR
SECOND READING/
VOTE
ORDINANCE 96-5
(POSTPONED UNTIL
MARCH 20, 1996)

Lynn Coyne, representing the petitioner, requested that the discussion and vote be continued until the March 20, 1996 meeting. The Monroe County Engineer wishes to make some changes to the plan as presented and these changes have just come to the Planning Department and the petitioner this afternoon.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-5 be postponed until March 20, 1996.

The motion to postpone received a roll call vote of Ayes:7, Nays:0, Abstain:1 (Service).

It was moved and seconded that the council not meet next week for the Committee of the Whole. There is only one item for discussion - the CDBG allocation resolution.

Pizzo thought one meeting was adequate as the Citizen Advisory Committee has already held public hearings and discussions.

Service said that a lot of credence is given to the committee recommendations and did not believe that there would be anything to gain from having another meeting.

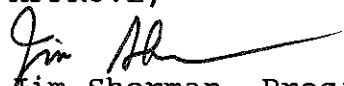
Kiesling said she abstain since she would not be there on the March 6, 1996.

The motion to cancel received a roll call vote Ayes:6, Nays:1 (Sabbagh), Abstain:1 (Kiesling).

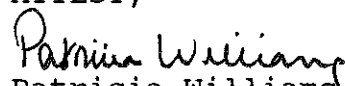
There was no public input.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM

PUBLIC INPUT
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APPROVE;


Jim Sherman, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST;


Patricia Williams, CLERK
City of Bloomington