

In the Common Council Chambers of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday, January 4, 1978, at 7:30 p.m. with Councilpresident Middleton presiding over a regular session.

REGULAR SESSION  
COMMON COUNCIL  
JANUARY 4, 1978

(Note...these minutes are a summary. Tapes are available in the Council Office)

Councilmembers present: Young, Middleton, Allison, Olcott, Richardson, Kinzer, Blume. Absent: Towell and Morrison.

ROLL CALL

Middleton gave the agenda summation. First, election of officers and appointments to Plan Commission and USB. For second reading, Resolution 78-1, Regarding Investment of Funds by City Controller; Resolution 78-2, Concerning Unemployment Compensation. For first reading, Ordinance 78-1, To Amend Zoning re: 3911 E. Tenth Street RE to RH; Ordinance 78-2, To Amend Zoning Maps re: intersection of Kinser Pike & 46 Bypass RS to BA; Ordinance 78-3, To Amend Zoning Mpas re: 1500 & 1506 W. 11th Street RS to ML; Ordinance 78-4, To Amend Title 15 of the BMC, "One Way Streets and Alleys"; Ordinance 78-5, To Re-enact Chapter 12.16 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled, "Parking Permits"; and Ordinance 78-7, To Amend Title 15 of the BMC, "No Parking Zones and Stop Intersections". Also the minutes of December 1 and December 15.

AGENDA SUMMATION

Mayor McCloskey wished everyone a Happy New Year, and said that he is looking forward to working with the Council in 1978. He praised Councilpresident Middleton for the fine job he did this year on the Council. He said he hopes to have a similar close relationship with the new Councilpresident. He took issue with the Herald Telephone's story that nothing has been done on the proposed underpass. He said this project has been on the drawing board for some time, and monthly reports are submitted, and the possibility of using Local Road and Street and Urban Aid Funding for the project looks hopeful. He estimated that construction would begin by summer of 1979, and would be a two million dollar project within a three million dollar overall improvement of Third Street. Secondly, he will soon distribute a written report to the Council on the status of the downtown. Two weeks ago he had a conference with a representative of one of the foremost urban designing firms in the country. They examined the northwest corner of the square and the downtown and he gave him a preliminary list of suggestions with costs, design plans, etc. Third, an appropriation for emergency housing will receive first reading at the next Council meeting. There now is no program in this area. He asked the Council to approve the appropriation as soon as possible.

MESSAGES FROM  
THE MAYOR

Young moved and Olcott seconded a motion to nominate Lloyd Olcott for Parliamentarian. Kinzer moved and Blume seconded a motion to close nominations. Olcott was then elected by a unanimous voice vote.

ELECTION OF  
OFFICERS

Richardson moved and Kinzer seconded a motion to nominate Tomi Allison for President Pro Tem. Olcott moved and Blume seconded a motion to nominate Howard Young for President Pro Tem. Both Allison and Young said they would be happy to serve in this capacity.

Allison was then elected by a vote of Ayes: 6, Nays: 1 (Olcott).

Blume moved and Allison seconded a motion to nominate Richardson for Councilpresident. Olcott moved and Young seconded a motion to close nominations.

Richardson was then elected as Councilpresident for 1978 by a unanimous voice vote.

Richardson thanked the Council for electing him as Councilpresident. He said he is looking forward to working with the Council in 1978.

Middleton said it has been a pleasure to serve as Council-president and to see the cooperation and good will in the City. He said many projects have been started, which he hopes will be carried through in 1978. He continued that it is a privilege to serve in the government of the City of Bloomington.

Olcott moved and Middleton seconded a motion to reappoint Jack Martin to the ~~Utilities Service Board~~. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS TO  
BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Richardson asked that the appointment to the Plan Commission be tabled until the next meeting since several Councilmembers are absent.

Middleton moved and Olcott seconded a motion to remove the Plan Commission appointment from the agenda. Middleton noted that the new Councilpresident needs time to speak with various people about the appointment.

Motion to remove the Plan Commission appointment from the agenda failed by a vote of Ayes: 2, Nays: 5. Nays: Young, Kinzer, Allison, Olcott and Blume.

Young nominated Blume for the Plan Commission. Middleton seconded the motion.

Blume said he is interested in serving on the Plan Commission and the USB; both are important posts. He said he would prefer to serve on the Plan Commission, noting that the Plan Commission member can vote and the USB appointment cannot.

Motion to appoint Blume to the Plan Commission carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Middleton moved and Olcott seconded a motion to appoint Young to the Utilities Service Board as the ex-officio member.

Richardson said it may be wise to consider appointing France Komoroske to the USB, and Councilmembers could go through her. She has the time and the initiative to serve.

Middleton and Blume said they felt it should be a Councilmember. They said France should attend the meetings, but at times the USB asks the Council's opinion, and this should be given by a Councilmember.

Allison moved and Blume seconded a motion to nominate Kinzer to the USB as an ex-officio member.

Both Kinzer and Young said they were interested in serving. Young noted that he has attended half the meetings of the USB.

Kinzer was then elected to the USB as the ex-officio member by a vote of Ayes: 4, Nays: 3. Nays: Young, Olcott and Middleton.

Blume commented that he and Young still plan to attend the USB meetings, so the Council will have very good representation at their meetings.

Olcott moved and Kinzer seconded a motion to introduce and read Resolution 78-1 in entirety.

RESOLUTION 78-1  
Investment of Funds

Clerk Connors read Resolution 78-1 in entirety and Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

Olcott moved and Middleton seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 78-1.

Pat Gross explained that this resolution is passed each year to allow her office to invest idle funds at their discretion within state guidelines. In this way, Council approval need not be granted each time funds are invested, and funds can be invested on a day-to-day basis as needed.

Resolution 78-1 was then adopted by a ROLL CALL VOTE of Ayes: 7, Nays: 0.

Olcott moved and Middleton seconded a motion to introduce and read Resolution 78-2 in entirety.

RESOLUTION 78-2  
Concerning Unemployment Compensation

Clerk Connors read Resolution 78-2 in entirety.

Olcott moved and Middleton seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 78-2.

Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

Pat Gross explained that this is the first year that the City has to pay the entire amount for unemployment compensation. The method they have chosen to use is the cheaper of the two choices: the tax method, a straight tax paid quarterly on all eligible employees, and the reimbursement method, where the City reimburses the Employment Security Division for any benefits charged to its account. The City administration and IACT feel that Bloomington will spend less money through the reimburseable method, especially if good termination records are kept, as they are in the City.

After a short general discussion, Resolution 78-2 was adopted by a ROLL CALL VOTE of Ayes: 7, Nays: 0.

Olcott moved and Middleton seconded a motion to introduce Ordinance 78-1, To Amend Zoning Maps, re: 3911 E. Tenth St. RE to RH.

ORDINANCE 78-1  
Amend Zoning Maps

Connors read Ordinance 78-1 by title only and Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

Olcott moved and Middleton seconded a motion to introduce and read Ordinance 78-2 by title only.

ORDINANCE 78-2  
Amend Zoning Maps

Connors read Ordinance 78-2 by title only and Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

Olcott moved and Blume seconded a motion to introduce and read Ordinance 78-3 by title only.

ORDINANCE 78-3  
Amend Zoning Maps

Connors read Ordinance 78-3 by title only and Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

Olcott moved and Blume seconded a motion to introduce and read Ordinance 78-4 by title only.

ORDINANCE 78-4  
To Amend Traffic Section of Code, One-Way Streets & Alleys

Connors read Ordinance 78-4 by title only and Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

Olcott moved and Blume seconded a motion to introduce and read Ordinance 78-5 by title only.

ORDINANCE 78-5  
To Amend Parking Permits

Connors read Ordinance 78-5 by title only and Richardson read the legislative synopsis.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 15, 1977, AS SUBMITTED.

MINUTES 12/1/77 &  
12/15/77

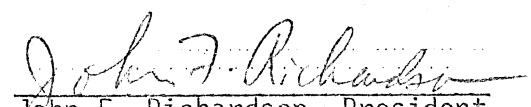
Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.


The meeting was then adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

  
John F. Richardson, President  
Bloomington Common Council

  
Nora M. Connors, Deputy City Clerk

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 18 DAY OF *January*, 1978.