

In the Common Council Chambers of the Municipal City Building, held on Monday, July 28, 1975, with Councilpresident De St. Croix presiding.

SPECIAL SESSION
COMMON COUNCIL

Present: Jim Ackerman, Richard Behen, Brian De St. Croix, Flo Davis, Sherwin Mizell, Jack Morrison, Al Towell.

ROLL CALL

Absent: Wayne Fix, Charlotte Zietlow.

City Officials Present: Stu Reller, Senior Planner; Mike Corbett, Assistant to the Mayor, Martha Sims, Controller; Karel Dolnick, City Clerk; John Komoroske, Council Attorney; Chuck Johnson, Housing Inspector.

CITY OFFICIALS
PRESENT

Councilpresident De St. Croix: On tonight's agenda, after Messages from Councilmembers and Messages from the Mayor, the first item is the seating of a new Councilmember for District 6 to replace Councilman Ackerman; we'll then have an introduction of tonight's Salary Ordinance, which will be heard at Second Reading this Friday. This is the Ordinance setting salaries for appointed officers and employees for next year. We have Messages from Councilmembers.

AGENDA SUMMATION

Councilmember Towell: I'd just like to say how much I regret the resignation of Jim Ackerman. He was a man of very great good will; he undertook to be our President and we were very discouraged and down at that time and he attempted with all his powers to get us back on the right track again. He is a very accomplished man in various fields and yet he served very unselfishly on this Council. I'd just like to say a word of appreciation and also that I anticipate some new energy and strength for the Council. I'm very happy to see that.

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Behen: I'd like to reiterate on what Councilmember Towell was saying. I'll miss having Jim on the Council and have grown in the past few years to admire his hard work and efforts for better government.

Councilmember Davis: Well, I couldn't agree more fully with Councilmember Towell about missing Councilman Ackerman and all his hard work. I will miss him very much on committee work. The other thing I would like to say is that I felt the Farmer's Market on Saturday was very successful. I was very pleased with the turnout of both the sellers and the buyers. To simply state something that Mr. Peterson, who is not a member of the City Parks and Recreation Board, but whose letter was read at that last meeting about having enterprise on public property. I thought it was interesting that it wasn't remembered that our July 4 meeting we had an amusement park there. Somehow I think selling fruits and vegetables and children playing on the swings and everyone having a good time seems not quite as commercial as the amusement park was.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: I'd like to reiterate what Councilwoman Davis said about the Farmer's Market. I was pleased and gratified that it was as great a success as it was. I think there may be some problems that we have to iron out yet. I think it provides an important service. Everybody seemed to have

a good time. A lot of people seemed to get some good bargains and fresh produce. I, too, will miss Jim Ackerman. Jim provided some leadership, sensitivity and respect that was very important for the Council. I'm not sure it will be possible to replace his capability. I truly regret Mr. Schraeder, in what I consider to be a typically myopic stance, chose not to verify either his facts or his understandings for engaging in character assassination, innuendo and insult to James Ackerman's fine service to this community. I truly hope and pray that Mr. Schraeder never faces the type of personal family crisis that Mr. Ackerman has, in order to continue to serve this community. I thought that Mr. Schraeder had at least a shred of human decency, but I'm afraid I don't find that present. Next item is Message From the Mayor. Do we have a message? No? O.K. Next item is seating of a new Councilmember from District 6. Do we have a motion?

Councilmember Davis: I move that we approve Pat Kinzer to replace Jim Ackerman. Mrs. Kinzer has demonstrated her ability in the primary that she does have confidence with the voters in her area, and this might give her a light preview of what is yet to come.

APPOINTMENT OF
PAT KINZER TO
REPLACE JAMES
ACKERMAN FROM
DISTRICT 6

Councilmember Mizell: Second.

Councilmember Towell: I'd like to move that it be by acclamation.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: The motion is by acclamation. Before we continue, do you have any disclaiming remarks, Mrs. Kinzer? This may be your last opportunity. We generally have a good time here. Sometimes we have disagreements among ourselves, perhaps with the newspaper or . . . irate citizens, but that's bound to happen. The motion is by acclamation, Councilman Towell?

Councilmember Towell: Perhaps I should warn you before you accept that from now on anybody can say anything about you they want, that everybody's going to expect special attention to their wants from you. It will be quite a burden sometimes. If you still want to go ahead...

Councilmember Mizell: It's really not that bad.

Councilmember Towell: Maybe not for you.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: The motion is that Patricia M. Kinzer be seated to fill the term of James S. Ackerman to represent District 6 until 31 December, 1975.

Patricia M. Kinzer was approved by a vote of acclamation to replace James S. Ackerman on the Common Council from District 6.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: Clerk Dolnick, would you please swear Mrs. Kinzer in to the Council?

Clerk Dolnick: Do you, Pat Kinzer, solemnly swear that you will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state of Indiana, and that you will

faithfully discharge all of the official duties as a member of the City Council?

Pat Kinzer: I will.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: Ms. Kinzer, will you take the last seat at the Council table please. Welcome aboard, and I think you have to remember the basic ground rule is that we fight a lot among ourselves, but it's nothing serious.

Councilmember Kinzer: Well, I appreciate the trust you've put in me, and I'll do everything I can to live up to that.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: To all you people out there in Bloomington, you have a new target, her name's Patricia Kinzer, lives on the corner of Hillside and High, phone number is listed, and you can just go out and get her and lay off of us for a while. Break her in right.

Councilmember Towell: I was only half joking. I've consulted a lawyer recently, and they can say almost anything they want to about you.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: Do we have any Petitions & Communications for the Council this evening before we continue on?

PETITIONS &
COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Behen: If no one in the audience does, Brian, I do. I'd like to address it to Ms. Kinzer. I have a dog that's been barking...

Councilpresident De St. Croix: The person you call is Dale Martindale. John Komoroske, the Council Administrator and Attorney will make sure that it's followed through on. There's one that's been tipping over my garbage cans too and you represent my area.

Councilmember Towell: I saw Mary Baker in the grocery the other day.

Councilmember Mizell: She's not a City resident.

Councilmember Towell: She said she'll be back.

Councilmember Davis: Good, I miss Mary.

Councilmember Towell: She said that she felt that we all tried and got good information and did the right thing.

Councilpresident De St. Croix: Next item on the agenda is Ordinance 75-46, do we have a motion.

ORDINANCE 75-46
Salary Ordinance

Councilmember Morrison: I move that that Ordinance 75-46 be introduced and read by the Clerk.

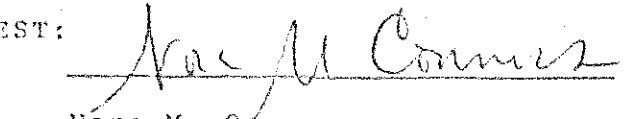
Councilmember Mizell: Second.

Ordinance 75-46 was then read by the Clerk in entirety.

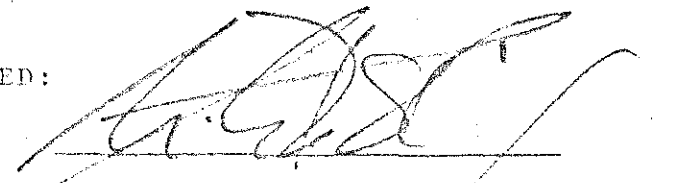
Councilpresident De St. Croix: Clerk Dolnick, thank you for doing the thankless task that required the reading of this Ordinance verbatim. The next Special Session of the Common Council will meet Thursday, July 31. Meeting adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

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ATTEST:


Nora M. Connors
Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED:


Brian C. De St. Croix, President
Bloomington Common Council