

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, on Thursday, January 4, 1973, at 7:00 p.m., with Council president Charlotte T. Zietlow presiding.

PRESENT: Richard Behen, Hubert Davis, Wayne Fix, Sherwin Mizell, Jack Morrison, Alfred Towell, Charlotte Zietlow.

ABSENT: James Ackerman, Brian De St. Croix.

Ted Najam, Assistant to the Mayor; Martha Sims, Controller; James Register, Corporate Counsel; James Wray, Director of Transportation; Marvard Clark, Assistant City Engineer; Richard Gose, Fire Chief; Tim Hodenfield, Aide to the Board of Public Works; Grace Johnson, City Clerk.

About 14 people including members of the press.

Councilman Towell nominated Councilwoman Zietlow for the office of President of the Common Council. Councilman Behen seconded the motion.

Councilman Morrison moved that the nominations for the office of President of the Council be closed. Councilman Towell seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Councilwoman Zietlow will serve as President of the Common Council for 1973.

Councilman Morrison nominated Councilman Behen for the office of Vice-President and President Pro-Tem of the Common Council. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

Councilman Mizell moved that nominations be closed. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Behen will serve as Vice-President and President Pro-Tem of the Council for 1973.

Council president Zietlow said that she would like to have Councilman Towell continue to serve as parliamentarian for the Council.

Consideration of the minutes of the meeting of December 21, 1972 was deferred to the next meeting to allow time for the Council to review them.

None.

None.

None.

None.

James Wray gave a report on the Department of Transportation: Before you tonight you have the proposed budget and an ordinance to create a department of Transportation, for buses for 1973. This will fit in with the technical study that is to be undertaken this year and it is the beginning of a public transportation system in the City of Bloomington. Since this is just for first reading tonight I don't want to make extensive comments. I would like to get together with the Council before the next meeting to go over the routes and the annual report for the expenses and income for the buses for 1972.

REGULAR MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON,  
INDIANA

ROLL CALL

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

ELECTION OF 1973  
COUNCIL OFFICERS

MINUTES

OLD BUSINESS

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

PETITIONS AND  
COMMUNICATIONS

REPORTS FROM CITY  
OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT  
HEADS

J. Wray -  
Transportation

Mr. Wray said the proposal would be to begin with bus service Monday through Friday 6am to 6 pm and 8am to 6 pm on Saturday. He said Mr. Black who is working on the technical study said that the buses will fit in with what he is expecting to find with the technical study; he has amassed some data already in anticipation of being commissioned to do the study.

Mr. Wray said they are thinking in the range of 16-to 29-passenger coaches though the decision on which buses to buy has not been reached. He said he would like to go over this with the Council. He noted that the technical study is scheduled to be completed in July and one of the points to be covered is the question of how much involvement and coordination between Indiana University and the City of Bloomington can reasonably be expected in the area of public transportation.

Councilman Davis said that the only thing the proposed program would lock the city into is the equipment which will be compatible with any future system that is worked out.

In response to a question from Councilman Behen, Mr. Wray said he thought there probably would be a deficit and noted that transportation across the country is subsidized with few exceptions. He said he would try to come up with an estimate of what the deficit might be.

In response to a question from Councilman Morrison, Mr. Wray said he envisioned the department of transportation to be included with the street and mvh departments.

Councilpresident Zietlow said she has received numerous calls from people who are concerned about the discontinuation of the bus service. She asked how soon it might be back in operation. Mr. Wray said that once the department is set up and they can advertise for vehicles, the timing will depend on the delivery time for the buses, which can be as much as four months.

He noted that the life expectancy of the buses are about 5 years.

Mr. Wray said that the buses would be financed with revenue sharing money the first year. He said there would be a more complete revenue sharing proposal at the next meeting.

Rick Rector, a resident of Bloomington, addressed the Council: he spoke against subsidization of a mass transportation system and in favor of lowering property taxes.

Mr. Wray said the present equipment would need to be replaced even to continue the limited bus service offered in the past.

Councilman Mizell said that he has had many calls from people who use the buses everyday to at least continue the level of service provided in 1972.

Mr. Wray noted that the decision to discontinue the bus service was made during the budget hearings in July and August and that to re-institute the service would require an additional appropriation.

In response to Mr. Rector's comments, Councilman Towell said that the Council is aware of that point of view and has discussed it on previous occasions and he personally did not want to go over it again.

Councilman Towell noted that a subsidy is also proposed for the ambulance service.

Tim Hodenfield, Aide to the Board of Public Works addressed the council. He said that the Board was glad to have Councilman Davis at the meeting of the Board on January 3 and look forward to having Councilman Fix at future meetings to give a chance to get some council feedback during the Board meetings.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL  
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Tim Hodenfield

Board of Public Works

He said the municipal trash collection program began January 1 and there has been a problem, as anticipated, with no alley collection. He said the temporary solution proposed is to have the men collect cans from alleys for elderly people, who

cannot move their cans to the street. He said this is a temporary and an inefficient solution until it can be determined which alleys can be serviced with the wide trucks. He said if a person feels he should be serviced from the alley, he should contact the Board of Public Works office or Mr. Wray at extension 43.

He said Mr. Wray reported that they are making two trips a day to the landfill - one at midday and one in the evening when the truck is about half full.

Mr. Hodenfield said that the problem is not so much the actual widths of the alleys but getting the trucks into them. Some alleys have telephone poles located at the entrance and parking is permitted close to the entrances.

Councilman Davis said he would like to see the city move toward garbage pick up without the garbage having to be put out at all. He said he thought people would be willing to pay extra for this.

Mr. Hodenfield said the first day the men were out from 6 am to 9 pm and there may have to be some restructuring of the route schedules.

Mr. Hodenfield demonstrated the paper bag and bag rack to the Council and said that a representative from St. Regis paper company would be able to come to a council meeting in February to make a presentation. He noted that the bags get stronger when wet. the bags cost 9.7¢ per bag.

Mr. Hodenfield said that the Board of Public Works will have a public hearing on the proposed rebate policy on January 16, 1973, at 1:30p.m. in the council chambers. Mr. Hodenfield reviewed the existing and proposed rebate policies for water and sewer line installations.

Mr. Hodenfield said that the Board of Public Works is planning to meet with the environmental commission at its next meeting and talk about how procedures can be set up; we want to activate the beautification subcommittee of the commission to draw up landscape plans for the Board of Public Works for the less-sightly areas of the city. We hope to work out a planting program with the owner of the property in question to implement the planting program; modification would be possible with the property owner working with the Board with the expense to be borne by the owner. We may ask for some funds to be put into a revolving fund for tree purchase, with money collected from the property owners to be put into the fund.

Councilman Towell said that he has been informed that every state legislator gets a certain number of trees that he may give to a community and he understands that Marilyn Schultz would like to give some to Bloomington. He suggested that Mr. Hodenfield get in touch with her on this matter.

Mr. Hodenfield said that the money to pay the director of the trash collection program has been appropriated in the Board of Public Works budget; the salary ordinance will simply enable the salary to be paid.

NONE.

REPORTS FROM STANDING  
AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Councilman Mizell said the Plan Commission urged the Council to act quickly on the zoning ordinance which was scheduled for first reading at this meeting.

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEN

Councilman Mizell  
zoning

Councilpresident Zietlow read the following list of council appointments:

Parks and Recreation Board - Richard Behen  
CAP Board - Richard Behen

Planning Commission - Sherwin Mizell  
Hubert Davis - Traffic Commission

Hubert Davis - Board of Public Works

Hubert Davis - Cable TV Committee

Jack Morrison - Housing Authority and Public utilities committee

Councilwoman Zietlow  
committee appointments

Al Towell - Redevelopment Commission, Board of Public Safety, Drug Commission; and will also attend Board of Public Works meetings.  
 James Ackerman - Animal Control Commission, Drug Commission  
 Brian De St. Croix - human rights commission, manpower task force  
 Wayne Fix - Environmental commission, Board of Public Works and will be the mayor's representative on the City-County park board.  
 Charlotte Zietlow, CAP Board, Mental Health Foundation.

Councilman Towell said that the special housing committee of the Council will be working in 1973.

Councilman Morrison moved that resolution No. 73-1 be introduced and read by the Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mizell and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTIONS

No. 73-1  
 Borrowing of funds

Grace Johnson read Resolution No. 73-1.

Councilman Morrison moved that Resolution No. 73-1 be adopted. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

Councilpresident Zietlow noted that the problem her is one of timing, of having money to pay out before tax revenues come in.

RESOLUTION No. 73-1 WAS ADOPTED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 6, Nays 0.

Councilman Morrison moved that Resolution No. 73-2 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Mizell seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution No-. 73-2  
 Bloomington High School  
 South

Grace Johnson read Resolution No. 73-2.

Councilman Morrison moved that Resolution No. 73-2 be adopted. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

Councilman Morrison said he would like to see the resolution prepared so that each councilman could sign it.

Councilman Fix noted that the school's golf team and girls' volley ball team both did well - the girls' volley ball team won the state championship. Councilpresident Zietlow asked that the clerk investigate and, if appropriate, insert the "girls' volley ball team" into the resolution as appropriate.

RESOLUTION No. 73-2 was adopted by a roll call vote of Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Councilman Morrison moved that Ordinance No. 72-87 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Behen seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

72-87 - Salary

Grace Johnson read Ordinance No. 72-87 by title only.

Councilman Morrison moved that Ordinance No. 72-87 be adopted. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

Councilman Morrison said that he was under the impression that Jim Wray, as director of transportation, had said that he would also be able to handle the municipal trash collection program. Mr. Wray said that the way the trash collection program has been set up it is entirely under the Board of Public Works.

ORDINANCE No. 72-87 WAS ADOPTED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 7, Nays 0.

Councilman Morrison said that he would like to have more clarification of new departments being created in the future.

Councilman Morrison moved that Ordinance No. 73-1 be introduced and read by the Clerk. The motion was seconded by councilman Behen and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF  
GENERAL AND SPECIAL  
ORDINANCES

Grace Johnson read Ordinance No. 73-1

73-1 - Dept. of Transportation

Councilman Morrison moved that Ordinance No. 73-2 be introduced and read by the Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Behen and carried by unanimous voice vote.

73-2 - ambulance service

Grace Johnson read Ordinance No. 73-2.

Councilman Mizell moved that Ordinance No 73-3 be introduced and read by the Clerk by title only and posted around the City according to the requirements of the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilman Morrison and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

73-3 - zoning

Grace Johnson read Ordinance No. 73-3 by title only.

Councilman Mizell asked that three resolutions passed by the Plan Commission be read by the Clerk at this point as resolutions for Council action but that Action by the Council be deferred until consideration of Ordinance No. 73-3.

Grace Johnson read Resolutions 73-3, 73-4, 73-5.

Councilman Davis moved that Ordinance No. 73-4 be introduced and read by the Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Behen and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

73-4 - signs

Grace Johnson read Ordinance No. 73-4.

Councilman Morrison moved that Appropriations Ordinance No 73-1 be introduced and read by the Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Behen and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Appropriations  
Ordinance No. 73-1

Grace Johnson Read Appropriations Ordinance No. 73-1.

Gloria Enguidanos presented the following letter to the Council:

REMONSTRANCES AND  
OBJECTIONS FROM THOSE  
AFFECTED BY PROPOSED  
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

January 4, 1973

City of Bloomington  
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

We, concerned citizens of the City of Bloomington would like to make the Bloomington City Council aware that we will be opposing the special ordinance concerning the creation of a user charge for emergency ambulance service, Ordinance 73-2.

We feel this ordinance to be discriminatory. If it is meant to be a token fee, \$10.00 is not. Many people will not be able to afford it. Many will be restrained from calling the ambulance service because the inability to pay for it.

A tacit agreement that those that are poor need not to pay for it, is degrading. Since this will force people to declare themselves poor and beg for charity it is improper too. In any case some office worker deciding who can pay and who cannot before collecting the fee is not the most reliable way of handling this kind of service which is vital.

We also feel that Medical care ought to be the right of every human being and not a privilege. Proper ambulance service could mean life or death. Why should we entangle with the present conditions of the service, which after all, even if there has been abuse, has proven efficient?.

We tend to believe that this ordinance was drafted in good faith in order to avoid the abuse of some of the citizens of the ambulance service. We have not seen the statistics but if that is so, you should not punish all the citizens because of a few.

We would like to suggest that there must be other ways to curb the misuse of this greatly needed service. We will be working trying to find some new and better proposals. We hope to be able to work along with you.

Respectfully,

Ernest D. Butler 509 W. 2nd St. - (De. Township Trustees)  
 W. G. Mizell 1007 South Summit (Association Board)  
 Morrison J. Morrison 1007 North Summit (Housing Committee)  
 Fred J. Davis 828 13th St. (Union Bank)  
 (Name of Councilman) 443 Penn. Bldg. (Name)

Community Action Program (CAP) helped in the crafting of this letter. Because of some technicality they were unable to sign it. A letter from them to the City Council will follow soon.

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Pat Burchfield addressed the Council. She suggested that the Council hear the discussion of citizens on the zoning ordinance byareas and that the definitions be separated from the maps when the Council takes action.

Councilman Mizell said that according to the requirements of state statute it would not be possible for the Council to act on the maps apart from the text. Councilpresident Zietlow said that she would require amendments to be submitted in writing prior to council consideration and action.

Mark Acres asked if people who had submitted recommendations or objections to the plan commission would have to re-submit them to the Council. Councilpresident Zietlow said that it was her understanding that the Council would get the complete file from the planning commission.

Councilman Towell and Councilman Mizell said they thought it would be difficult to separate consideration of the text from consideration of the maps.

Councilman Mizell noted that the public hearings held by the Plan Commission covered five days and he expected the hearings before the Council would be of similar length.

Councilman Davis said that he hoped that the Council would not have to re-do the work that the Plan Commission had done.

Councilman Towell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

*Charlotte T. Zeitlow*  
Charlotte T. Zeitlow, President

ATTEST:

*Amy G. Mann*  
Amy G. Mann

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RESOLUTION No. 73-1

January 4, 1973

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, that the Controller of said City is hereby empowered to make the following temporary loan for the purpose of cash operating balance, such loan to be secured by a pledge of taxes to be received, which are not otherwise allocated, to-wit:

FROM: WATER BOND & INTEREST FUND       \$400,000.00  
TO:    GENERAL FUND                   \$400,000.00

Charlotte T. Zietlow  
Charlotte T. Zietlow, President  
Common Council, City of Bloomington

APPROVED:

Francis X. McCloskey  
Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor  
City of Bloomington, Indiana

Adopted: January 4, 1973

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE BLOOMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH FOR EXCELLENCE IN ATHLETIC COMPETITION

WHEREAS, the Bloomington High School South Panthers have distinguished themselves and the City of Bloomington by excellence in athletic competition, and

WHEREAS, Bloomington High School South under Coach Ed Tally won the 1972 Indiana High School Athletic Association swimming championship, and

WHEREAS, Bloomington High School South under Coach Kay Hutsell won the 1972 Indiana High School Athletic Association wrestling championship, and

WHEREAS, Bloomington High School South under Coach Marvin Groh won the 1972 Indiana High School Athletic Association baseball championship, and

WHEREAS, Bloomington High School South under Coach Tom Sells went undefeated in football for the fifth straight year and was ranked number one by both the Associated Press and United Press International polls, and

WHEREAS, no other Indiana high school has ever before achieved four state championships in the same year, and

WHEREAS, all those Bloomington High School South students and coaches who participated in these great accomplishments justly deserve recognition from the City of Bloomington,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington that Bloomington High School South be recognized and commended for its outstanding record for vigorous participation and excellence in athletic competition for the year 1972.

APPROVED 1/4/73

Charlotte T. Zietlow  
Charlotte T. Zietlow, President  
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST: Grace E. Johnson  
Grace E. Johnson, Clerk

Francis X. McCloskey  
Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor

James S. Ackerman  
James Ackerman

Wayne Fix  
Wayne Fix

Richard Behen  
Richard Behen

Sherwin Mizell  
Sherwin Mizell

Hubert Davis  
Hubert Davis

Jack Morrison  
Jack Morrison

Al Towell  
Al Towell

Brian de St. Croix  
Brian de St. Croix