

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, Thursday, December 20, 1973, at the hour of 7:00 p.m., with Council President Charlotte T. Zietlow presiding.

REGULAR SESSION
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
INDIANA

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

ROLL CALL

Absent: Brian De St. Croix.

Archie Walker, Director of Redevelopment; Richard Gose, Chief of the Fire Department; Police Chief Carl Chambers; Emerson Wilson, Inspector; Tim Hodenfield, Aide to Board of Works; James Register, Corporate Counsel; Marvard Clark, Assistant City Engineer; Ted Najam, Administrative Assistant, Grace Johnson, City Clerk; Bill Finch, Drug Commission

CITY OFFICIALS
PRESENT

About 2 other people including members of the press

OTHERS PRESENT

Councilman Behen moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of December 6, 1973 be approved as distributed. Councilman Towell seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

MINUTES

12/6/73

NONE.

MESSAGE FROM THE
MAYOR

Councilpresident Zietlow: I have only to say that because of the weather earlier this morning we made a decision to deal with only with the necessary business tonight which is Resolution 73-72. Feeling because of the difficulty of driving and walking in the city probably a lot of people could not come for a discussion of the more controversial Ordinances that are on the Agenda tonight. So I would ask for a motion to table them until the next meeting. Unless we just simply don't introduce them. What should we do? Just simply put it off?

Councilman Towell: I would move to table Ordinances 73-80, 73-81, 73-82, 73-83, 73-84 and 73-85 until the next meeting. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Councilpresident Zietlow: We did announce to the press and to the radio stations that there would not be discussion on anything except the Transfer of Funds Resolution tonight.

Councilman Mizell: I would like to comment that I really believe it would be better to table these Ordinances until the second meeting in January on the 17th. A lot of people who will probably have something to say about these ordinances may not be back in town.

Councilpresident Zietlow: particularly 73-81 and 73-85.

Councilman Mizell: Right, so I would like to move to amend the motion to the 17th of January rather than the next meeting. Councilman Towell and Ackerman accepted the amendment to the motion to table to the second meeting in January. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Ackerman: I move that Resolution RESOLUTION 73-72 73-72 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Grace E. Johnson, City Clerk, read Resolution 73-72 in its entirety.

Councilman Behen moved that Resolution 73-72 be adopted. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Councilman Mizel: I am curious about the vandalism in Bryan Park. Evidently there has been some problem there with the doors of the pool.

Bill Wilson: In fact there has been about five times in two weeks there have been. . . (tape was not clear here) It's really amazing the front doors were torn off at 7:00 p.m., in the evening. Actually while swimming programs were going on inside. They were torn off the hinges. . . (He was not standing near the microphone so it was difficult to transcribe).

Councilman Mizel: I can't understand why anybody would want to destroy a piece of public property.

Bill Wilson: That is one of our highest vandalism areas, Bryan Park, there and West 2nd Street. We have more vandalism there than all the rest of our parks. (He was not standing near the microphone so it was difficult to transcribe from the tape)

Councilman Mizel: Whoever is doing it is costing either themselves or their parents quite a bit of money in taxes.

Councilpresident Zietlow: I don't suppose they care.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-72 WAS ADOPTED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 8, NAYS 0.

Councilman Behen: Thank you Madam President. In view of the fact that the community has had the heaviest snow fall of the memory of anyone in this room I think that there are a lot of people who need some congratulations on the tremendous job on clearing the streets in this community. In all of Monroe County probably the City of Bloomington is probably the one area that has streets that cars can move on. It just didn't happen. It happen because of the number of people were willing to stay up all night and day as public people are ask to do often time. I think that a congratulations from this body is certainly in order in my opinion anyway for these

people who did stay up all last night and all of today in clearing the streets and making it able to be traveled on today. I am sure that I speak for all of us that I wish the City of Bloomington, all of you in attendance a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I mean it personally and I know the rest of the Council does from the bottom of our hearts.

Councilman Mizell: Mr. Behen is going to put the accomodation for the Street Department in a form of a resolution. I would second it.

Councilman Behen: I hadn't planned on doing it. But it would be kind of difficult for each one of them to get that message. I think if the press picked that up.

Councilpresident Zietlow: An informal resolution thanking the Street Department. We will write it.

Grace E. Johnson: I wanted to tell you that don't know yet that Mrs. Thomas the new Deputy Clerk to the Council is absent, for those of you who haven't met her. But she will be here from now on. To answer your phone calls while Amy is on vacation. If you wonder who that is.

Councilman Davis: I would hope that it would be noted especially after the last meeting. It would be noted that on a very bad night that eight of the nine councilman showed up and the one who didn't is recuperating from an operation.

Councilman Towell: I think that we would be very remiss if we didn't say that we feel very fortunate in our Aide. She may or may not be back with us in the New Year. We assume she will be. I think she has been a very good Aide. I think that is the sentiment of the entire Council.

Councilpresident Zietlow: That is for sure. Happy Christmas.

NONE.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

NONE.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

NONE.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

NONE.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

NONE.

UNFINISHED AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

NONE.

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

There being no further business
Councilpresident Zietlow adjourned
the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Charlotte T. Zietlow
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Councilpresident

ATTEST:

Julaine Thomas
Julaine Thomas, Deputy Clerk