

In the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Thursday, March 2, 1972, at 7:30 p.m., E.S.T., with Council President, Charlotte T. Zietlow, presiding.

REGULAR MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON,
INDIANA

Members present:

ROLL CALL

James Ackerman, Richard Behen, Brian de St. Croix, Wayne Fix, Sherwin Mizell, Jack Morrison, Alfred Towell, Charlotte T. Zietlow.

Members absent: Hubert Davis, who was ill.

Councilman Ackerman.

INVOCATION

Mayor Francis X. McCloskey, Martha Sims, City Controller; Grace E. Johnson, City Clerk; Marvard Clark, Assistant City Engineer; Larry Owens, City Attorney; Police Chief, Carl Chambers; Richard Gose, Fire Chief; Russell Parks, Director of Public Safety; Danny Fulton, Director of Redevelopment; Bill Wilson, Director of Parks and Recreation.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Approximately 75 including members of the press.

OTHERS PRESENT

Councilman Morrison moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting of February 17, 1972, be approved as corrected. Councilman Towell seconded the motion, and it carried by unanimous voice vote.

MINUTES

None.

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

Mayor McCloskey reported that he and Mr. John Irvine had met with the HUD officials in Indianapolis today, and they assured us of their best efforts to getting funding for Miller Drive sewer this year. That they are very concerned about the need of the Miller Drive area and also think the City is being most cooperative in seeking their consideration. The Mayor will be setting up a meeting with them again soon to talk about the method of expediting this project. There is nothing definite, but their hopes are high.

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR

In regard to the Dust Mill the Mayor said people were out there removing things from the premises and the building should be down by late next week.

The Mayor also stated the County and City Officials were beginning a series of regular discussions that will be expanded to public officials throughout the County and throughout the community and he commended the Commissioners on their willingness to launch discussions on numerous areas of common concern, and he hoped the other governmental agencies they will be contacting soon will be receptive.

He also stated he was very impressed by the efforts and vitality of the individuals comprising the Planning Search Committee. They are meeting constantly, and he is hopeful that within the next four or five weeks we will have a City Planner serving the community. He reported they were getting rather a high quality of résumés, and there was just a

question of making the contacts and getting the best of them in for interviews. In talking with Mr. Dan Tarlock and members of the Plan Commission, he learned they would be starting work sessions on the proposed zoning ordinance.

Mr. James Wray of the Transportation Department reported he was a little optimistic by adding the second bus, that the income had doubled. In 1971 income was \$590.00 and in 1972 it was \$1,057.00. In February 1972 it increased from \$314.00 to \$678.00 in the first month operation of the two buses. He said this indicates a need for such service and sooner or later there will have to be a decision as to whether or not the City of Bloomington is to pay for it. There is some income to be derived from the service. He said he could foresee a subsidy in the neighborhood of \$20,000.00 for the two buses. He said the city was testing some other buses on a "piece meal" basis. That the buses now in use are not comfortable and poorly designed, that they cannot accommodate more than ten people, and they could run a much larger bus for not too much more money. He said they were getting to the place where they were going to have to put some money in for maintenance. He said Mr. Ed Covey and Dr. Smerk would be meeting with him next week in regard to putting together a study for the City of Bloomington, and for formulating some concrete plans when the demonstration of the new buses are in town.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Bus Service

Mr. Wray said they had resolved the problem of picking up wet paper, and the number one problem is people putting out the newspapers, then calling and saying they had not been picked up, this matter will need to be straightened out.

Recycling

Councilman Behen asked a question concerning the \$20,000.00 deficit figure, and also as to the cost of gasoline and oil for running the two buses. Mr. Wray said the budget for last year for one bus was \$15,000.00 and it would not cost less to run two. He said he would get the costs for gasoline and oil for the buses and report to the Council at their next meeting.

Councilman de St. Croix asked if there was an increase in the number of passengers riding the buses.

Mr. Wray said there had been an increase. That they have weekly and monthly passes. Weekly passes are good for eleven rides, and the monthly passes can be used as often as people care to use them. They are also instituting family passes. Councilman de St. Croix asked that Mr. Wray report on the number of weekly and monthly passes they have at their next meeting.

Councilman Mizell asked about route signs. Mr. Wray said they were in the process of placing signs at various locations.

Mr. Russell Parks, Director of Public Safety reported the Dust Mill was to be down by the 10th of March according to word given Fire Chief, Richard Gross by Mr. Funkhouser. He also reported he was investigating other buildings which have been condemned, but not demolished. One of the buildings is the old Buck Lemon Furniture Store Building at 521-525 N. Walnut Street, which was condemned in 1967 or 1968 and partially torn down, but the job was never completed. He said he and the City Engineer, Ray Long would begin trying to locate the owner of the building so as to get the remainder of the building torn down.

Safety-Russell Parks

Councilman Towell suggested that Mr. Parks investigate the status of all buildings which have been condemned in the past three years.

Councilman Morrison commented that there were probably a lot of homes which have been condemned, but not demolished due to the lack of funds by the property owner or the city to carry out demolition. He also said the City could take down a condemned building and then add the cost to the property owner's taxes..

Police Chief, Carl Chambers reported that all of the Yellow Cabs in the City have been inspected and all meet the inspection standards and recommended the approval of the licenses.

Approval Yellow Cab Licenses

Councilman de St. Croix moved that the Applications for Licenses be approved. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous voice vote.

None.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Councilman de St. Croix announced the following appointments to the Manpower Study Committee: Ron Crecelius, representing the Bloomington Chamber of Commerce, Stephen Lutz and Ed Kubiatus, Indiana University Students, and Loren Chastain, representing the Older Americans' Center. The first meeting will be held March 9, at 7:30 p.m., in the Plan Room of the Municipal Building.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Manpower Study

Councilman Towell announced he had appointed everyone who applied to be on his housing committee, but he anticipated some "dropouts" when the members find out how much work there is to be done. He said the Committee held their first meeting Wednesday night which was profitable. They are looking for proposals that will be fair to all concerned and protect both the renters and the landlords.

Housing Committee

Councilwoman Zietlow reported they had reports from the Barber Board, Housing Authority, Environmental Commission and Parks & Recreation, and the Boards and Commissions who have not reported are as follows: Animal Control Board, Drug Control Commission, Electrical Board, Human Rights Commission, Center for Older Americans, Plumbing Board, Board of Redevelopment,

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEN

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Board of Redevelopment Trustees,
Air Pollution Control Commission.

Councilman Towell proposed that the City Attorney draw up an ordinance repealing the Boards and Commissions who had not reported to the Council.

Councilman de St. Croix said the purpose of the resolution which was passed earlier by the Council was to provide the Council with information of what is happening on the various Boards and Commissions and what is being considered by them. He also supported Councilman's Towell's proposal, and suggested that the Boards and Commissions which were not statutory and who did not wish to report to the Council be repealed by ordinance and others may be appointed who will be responsive to the Community and provide the services they were constituted to provide.

Councilwoman Zietlow said the Council would like to hear from any of the Boards and Commissions within the next two weeks.

Councilman Mizell said that the City Plan Commission is appraised of the fact that the Council is very anxious to receive the proposed zoning ordinance and zoning map from the Commission and they are moving ahead and hope to present it to the Council within the six weeks period.

None.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Resolution No. 72-13 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Towell seconded the motion, and it carried.

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 72-13.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Resolution No. 72-13 be adopted. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Ordinance No. 72-7 be read by title only. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 72-7 by title only.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Ordinance No. 72-7 be adopted. Councilman Towell seconded the motion.

Councilman Mizell said that this ordinance was long over due and he was very happy that this had finally come up and the Council was acting on it.

Everett Harding, President of the Miller Drive Association said the ordinance should have been adopted several years ago. He estimated there were 400 abandoned automobiles in the Miller Drive area.

Councilman de St. Croix spoke in favor of

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 72-13
Transfer of Funds

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 72-7
Junk Cars

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the ordinance, and pointed out that it would save money by not requiring vehicles to be held at a holding lot for thirty days to give the owner a chance to get the car back.

Mrs. Mary Baker asked why the city did not use private enterprise.

Larry Owens, City Attorney, said the ordinance allowed the City to contract for the service, and in all likelihood it will be handled this way.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Ordinance No. 72-8 be introduced and read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Ordinance No. 72-8
Establishing Animal Control
Commission

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 72-8 by title only.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Ordinance No. 72-8 be adopted. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Councilman Ackerman moved that Ordinance No. 72-8 be amended as follows: Section 2. Instead of "One" the word "Two" be used as number of citizens selected by the Common Council. "d" shall be deleted. "e" instead "Two" word "Three" be used as to number of citizens appointed by Mayor. "f" shall be deleted. Section 3. "First of February be changed to the 14th of March." "Second Tuesday" in Section 4 be changed to fourth Tuesday. Councilman de St. Croix seconded the motion, and it carried.

Councilman Ackerman said the Commission would be taking applications for a Shelter Manager, humane officer and clerical help. That the new positions will begin April 1, 1972.

Mayor McCloskey said this was the initial step in a major restructuring of the procedures and policies at the Shelter. The administration is aware of the various problems and they are contacting people with previously established background in this area for advice. He also announced the following appointments to the Commission: Sidney Finkel, Publisher of the Ellettsville Journal, Glen H. Ludlow, 1410 Pickwick Place, who is employed by the IU Department of Research and Advanced Studies and Mrs. Roberta Gardocki, 4031 Woodlyn Drive, a member of the League of Women Voters.

Councilwoman Zietlow announced the following council appointments: Theodore Torre, 437 Cloverlane Drive, a regired IU Professor, Sheri Sheridan 615 E. 2nd Street, secretary with the Monroe Beverage Company and Councilman Ackerman.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Ordinance No. 72-8 be adopted as amended. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed ordinance No. 72-9 be introduced and read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Ordinance No. 72-9
Amendment to Drug Control
Ordinance 71-19

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 72-9 by title.

Councilman Morrison moved that proposed Ordinance No. 72-9 be adopted. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

None.

REMONSTRANCES AND OBJECTIONS

David Docauer, presented a request to the council for a city-wide ban on non-returnable bottles. He said the non-returnable bottle ban would lengthen the life of the County's landfill and that the public could switch easily to returnable bottles. He noted an ordinance was adopted by the City of Bowie, Maryland and had withstood the test of a court challenge and also various ordinances throughout the country.]

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Bill Somes of Best Beers Distributors said that manufacturers were working on ways to recycle glass and metal containers. John Rabold of A-1 Beverages said the beer industry has recognized the problem of too much trash and has begun packaging beer in recyclable aluminum cans. Efforts to place returnable bottles on grocery shelves have failed.

After considerable discussion, Councilman Fix recommended that this request be presented to the Environmental Commission for study.

None.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:00 p.m.

Charlotte T. Zietlow
Charlotte T. Zietlow, President

ATTEST:

Glasgow J. Van Hook
Secretary

RESOLUTION No. 72-13

March 2, 1972

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of
Bloomington, Indiana, that the Controller of said City is here-
by 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:

FROM SANITATION OPERATING & MAINTENANCE FUND
\$15,000.00

TO CORPORATE BOND FUND

Charlotte T. Zietlow

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

Francis X. McCloskey

Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor
City of Bloomington, Indiana

Adopted: March 2, 1972