

In the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building on Thursday, May 20, 1971, at 7:30 p.m., E.S.T., with Council President, Ralph L. Johnson, presiding.

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Members present:

Robert Clegg, Jr., James C. Clendening, Clyde Day, Harry G. Day, Charles J. Paris, Richard W. Fee, Ralph L. Johnson, Jack Morrison.

Members absent:

Robert E. Gray, who was attending Humane Association Rabies Clinic.

James Cotner, City Attorney; Raymond E. Long, City Engineer; Howard A. Young, City Controller; Marvard Clark, Assistant City Engineer; Marian Tardy, City Clerk; James East, Chief of Police.

Approximately 40 including members of the press.

Councilman Harry G. Day.

Councilman Harry G. Day moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting of May 6, 1971, be approved as submitted. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion, and it carried.

None.

Councilman Johnson announced that no action would be taken on Ordinance No. 71-25 at this time, that action would be taken at the meeting of June 3, 1971, as plans now stand. Also no action would be taken on Ordinance Nos. 71-29 and 71-30.

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-31 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion. The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 71-31 by title only.

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-31 be adopted. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-32 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 71-32 by title only.

Councilman Fee moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-32 be adopted. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

REGULAR MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON,
INDIANA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

INVOCATION

MINUTES

REMONSTRANCES AND OBJECTIONS

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 71-31
Annexation - Land located
on East side Curry Pike,
North State Road #45

Ordinance No. 71-32
Annexation - Land on
Walnut Street Pike and
Winslow Road

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-34 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 71-34.

Councilman Faris moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-35 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion.

Councilman Fee made formal request that the City Attorney be instructed to amend ordinance to conform to the new numbers.

Councilman Faris moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-36 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 71-36.

Mr. Cotner, City Attorney said that when the original sign ordinance was introduced, it contained an expiration date of May 15, with the anticipation that the new zoning controls including the sign controls would be adopted by May 15, however, this has been delayed, thus the original ordinance ended on the 15th of May, therefore it was necessary to enact a new ordinance.

Councilman Faris moved that the rules be suspended so as to give the ordinance further consideration. Councilman Clegg seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Faris moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-36 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 71-36 by title only.

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-36 be amended as follows: Section 3, line 2a after the word "property" to insert the word, "and". Councilman Morrison seconded the motion, and it carried by unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Faris moved that proposed Ordinance No. 71-36 be adopted as amended. Councilman Clegg seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

The Secretary was instructed to forward Ordinance to Plan Commission for ratification at their next meeting.

Councilman Fee moved that proposed Resolution No. 71-17 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion.

Councilman Fee moved that proposed Resolution No. 71-17 be adopted. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion, and it carried by unanimous voice vote.

ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION

Ordinance No. 71-34
Zoning - Lots located on West side of Rogers Street between 13th and 15th St.

Ordinance No. 71-35
Amendment to Municipal Code of Chapter 17, entitled, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic Section 205 "Stop Streets" etc.

Ordinance No. 71-36
Regulating Signs within Jurisdiction of Bloomington

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 71-17
Investment of Funds

Councilman Clyde Day moved that proposed Resolution No. 71-18 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

Resolution No. 71-18
Public Housing

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 71-18.

Mr. Danny Fulton explained the resolution, which has to do with future public housing on a scattered site basis in various areas and neighborhoods throughout the city to insure a broad choice of neighborhoods to all citizens.

Councilman Harry Day moved that proposed Resolution No. 71-18 be adopted. Councilman Faris seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Harry Day moved that proposed Resolution No. 71-19 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Faris seconded the motion.

Resolution No. 71-19
A Commitment for
Environmental Quality and
the Conservation of
Natural Resources

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 71-19, which resolution reads as follows:

"A Commitment for Environmental Quality and the Conservation of Natural Resources"

"Recognizing that the promotion of environmental quality and the conservation of all the irreplaceable natural resources is the urgent and continuing responsibility of every citizen and every government, and recognizing that this has been a primary goal of the City of Bloomington for at least seven years, the Common Council and the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, hereby affirm together the following:

1. As in the past, no Common Council action or action by the Mayor or any department of the City of Bloomington will be taken before responsible attention is given to the overall effect of such action on the quality of the atmosphere, water, and soil, and on the health and comfort of all persons living now or expected to live in the future.

2. To further implement such action, the City will soon create and strongly support a representative Commission on Environmental Quality and Conservation with the specific and major responsibility of continuously studying and reporting on all relevant matters and of recommending appropriate action. In further planning and action in this area the City will be greatly dependent on the findings and work of this Commission and its Committees.

3. Because the City and the larger community, which includes all of Monroe County, are so interdependent every opportunity will be utilized as in the past to encourage and establish further cooperative actions on environmental quality and conservation. This will include continuing effort to minimize water pollution through mutual assistance in the disposal and treatment of liquid and solid wastes.

4. Because many public school and University students are properly concerned about environmental problems, the City will further encourage

the participation of limited numbers of such students on a work-study or traineeship basis in Departments of the City where they can learn and be involved in projects on environmental quality and conservation. This will include organized programs to (a) conserve used metals, paper, and glass, and (b) reduce littering and unsightly pollution through education of all concerned and personal involvement in collection and proper disposal of all litter and sources of pollution.

5. The City will continue to move as expeditiously as possible toward a system of waste disposal which will maximize the efficient recycling of all components which need to be saved. This will include metal and glass beverage and food containers, and a host of other items which should not be wasted. The program is expected to involve the separation of conservable components by the householders, businesses and institutions and the provision of a public pick up system as needed for both categories. Such collected materials will be disposed of through commercial channels or stored in designated areas for such commercial disposal at appropriate times. However, private enterprise and various community agencies, including student organizations will be encouraged and assisted in such efforts to the extent that this is feasible.

6. Beginning with its own vehicles, the City will continue to extend its efforts to minimize the air pollution that occurs from engine exhaust or other wastes. This will involve the maintenance of the equipment in good repair, proper operation, and use of fuel which minimizes air pollution. Widespread citizen cooperation will be sought not only in following such examples, but in finding and encouraging the use of additional ways to minimize the different kinds of pollution that are associated with the use of all motor vehicles.

7. In conservation, the City will move with increasing emphasis on the reduction of all forms of waste involving heating and automotive fuels, lubricants and other materials used by the City that are essentially irreplaceable. The intention is to participate as good citizens of the earth in conserving the resources that future generations are expected to need desperately. Substantial levels of fuel conservation and reduction in air pollution can be attained through the use of less heating fuel in the winter and less air conditioning in the summer. Overheating, overcooling, and unneeded use of hot water and electricity are costly and inexcusable forms of waste. Also, they are indirect contributors to air pollution.

Through cooperation with the schools, community organizations, and mass media such conservation will be encouraged on the part of all citizens and businesses throughout the community.

8. The City will continue to encourage its employees and all citizens and visitors to refrain from littering any part of our community. Littering is both unsightly and a form of pollution. Hopefully conscientious citizens will pick up litter they find on the streets and dispose of it in appropriate ways.

9. The City will further discourage the improper use of herbicides, pesticides and other chemicals and it will set an even stronger example than in the past by using such materials with greater understanding and in amounts no greater than may be genuinely needed.

10. In the gradual but urgent movement to a high level of effective involvement in conservation and concern for the environment, the City will seek the kind of individual and corporate commitment which was so comprehensively described in the semester-long project at Indiana University on "Focus": The Environment." With that focus as a major initial guide the City will move forward deliberately and with resolution toward the goal of high environmental quality and in maximum harmony with nature.

s/Robert L. Clegg Jr. Harry G. Day, Robert E. Gray
s/James C. Clendening Charles (Bud) Faris, Jack Morrison, Clyde T. Day, Richard W. Fee, Ralph L. Johnson, President, Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, John H. Hooker, Jr., Mayor, City of Bloomington, Indiana.

Councilman Harry Day explained the Resolution and stated in his opinion this was a significant step towards the solution of our environmental problems. That we should get away from land fill. Let us start now to move forward.

Councilman Fee said that Doctor Day had been active in this field longer than many of us and even before we ever heard of the word, "Ecology", that he be complimented in his efforts in this field.

Several citizens spoke in reference to junk cars parked on private property.

Mr. Cotner, City Attorney stated we have an ordinance against the abandonment of cars on city streets, but that most junk cars are on private property and nothing can be done about it.

Councilman Faris asked Chief East to comment on cars in the Miller Drive area. Chief East said owners of cars parked and abandoned on streets are notified to move them within seven days or 72 hours, and if not moved in that time, the cars are towed away.

Danny Fulton stated he and Chief East had started some six to eight months ago to work on the junk car problem with the hope of securing some kind of legislation that would enable them to go on private property and pick up the junk cars.

Councilman Harry Day moved that Resolution No. 71-19 be adopted. Councilman Faris seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes 8, nays 0.

Councilman Clegg moved that Resolution No. 71-20 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

Resolution No. 71-20
Outstanding Achievements
by High School Students

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 71-20, which reads as follows:

Recognition of outstanding achievements by individual students and teams at Bloomington and University High Schools during 1970-71

"Whereas, the City of Bloomington and the entire Bloomington area value highly all kinds of exemplary achievement in the community, especially when group effort, arduous training, and self sacrifice are notable; and

Whereas, many individual students and teams of students at the Bloomington High School and University High School have distinguished themselves, their teachers, principals, coaches, directors, staff members, and the entire community through their outstanding and varied accomplishments this year; and

Whereas, the exceptional achievements include: (a) 14 National Merit Scholastic finalists, which is a record for any City of this size in the State of Indiana, (b) one of the highest places in football in the state, as judged by recognized polls and consecutive wins, (c) finalists in the state basketball semifinals, (d) conference championship in golf without any defeats during the season, (e) state championship in wrestling with the outstanding wrestler being selected from Bloomington (f) state championship in swimming with the outstanding swimmer being from this City, (g) fifth in cross country in the state, (h) special recognition to a girl student for achievements in national womens track and field events, (i) sectional tennis championship, (j) state finals winner in debate at the Indiana University Tournament, (k) designation of 26 students as superior musicians at the state music contests, and (l) designation of two students as winners in the state art contest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council and the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, that this truly outstanding record of participation and achievement is proudly recognized and it shall be permanently recorded in the minutes of the Common Council.

s/Robert L. Clegg, Jr., Harry G. Day, Robert E. Gray
s/James C. Clendening, Charles (Bud) Faris,
s/Jack Morrision, Clyde T. Day, Richard W. Fee,
s/Ralph L. Johnson, President, Common Council of the
City of Bloomington, Indiana,
s/John H. Hooker, Jr., Mayor, City of Bloomington,
Indiana.

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Resolution No. 71-20 be adopted. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion, and it carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Everett Harding, President of the Miller Drive Neighborhood Association presented a petition signed by 155 residents of the Miller Drive area requesting street lights.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Councilman Johnson said that this petition would be given immediate consideration.

Mr. Don Wismer, 515 N. Washington Street presented a letter to the Council opposing the new high-rise parking plan and questioning the financial feasibility of the program.

None.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

None.

REPORTS FROM STANDING
COMMITTEES

None.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL
COMMITTEES

None.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS
AND DEPARTMENTS

Councilman Clyde Day announced that angle parking on North Morton Street between 10th and 11th Streets has now been made parallel parking, which makes traffic problem much better.

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEN

None.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None.

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR

None.

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Ralph L. Johnson, President

ATTEST:
