

In the Council Chamber, Municipal Building, on January 16, 1969, at 7:30 p.m., E.S.T., Council President Charles J. Faris presiding.

REGULAR MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

Council President Faris.

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy City Clerk:

ROLL CALL

Members present: Councilmen Robert L. Clegg, Jr.; James C. Clendening; Harry G. Day; Charles J. Faris; Richard W. Fee; Robert E. Gray; Ralph L. Johnson, William A. Madden and Jack A. Morrison.

Members absent: None.

John H. Hooker, Jr.; Mayor; Raymond E. Long, City Engineer; Howard A. Young, City Controller; Marian H. Tardy, City Clerk; James R. East, Police Chief; Edward Miller, Fire Chief; James D. Sargent, Street Commissioner; Clifford Curry, Director of Planning; Jerome T. Femal, Director of Parks and Recreation and Marvard Clark, Assistant City Engineer.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Thirty-one including James Root, reporter for the Daily Herald-Telephone and Fred Hill, reporter for the Bloomington Courier-Tribune.

NUMBER OF CITIZENS  
IN ATTENDANCE

Council President Faris asked Councilman Johnson to give the invocation.

INVOCATION

Councilman Johnson moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 2, 1969 be approved as xeroxed and distributed. Councilman Gray seconded the motion and it carried.

MINUTES OF FORMER MEETING

None.

REMONSTRANCES AND OBJECTIONS

None.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 69-1 be introduced and be read by the Clerk. Councilman Gray seconded the motion.

ORDINANCES - GENERAL  
AND SPECIAL

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 69-1.

Ordinance No. 69-1-Zoning Ordinance-2 acres on E. Side of Highway 37, south of Thompson Dairy from B-1 to B-3

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 69-3 be introduced and be read by the Clerk. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion.

Ordinance No. 69-3-Zoning Ordinance-92 acres NW of Bennett Stone Co. on Highway 37 from Agricultural to B-3

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 69-3.

Council President asked the Clerk to read proposed Resolution No. 69-1.

RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 69-1.

Resolution No. 69-1 - Lease Agreement with Illinois Central Railroad Company

Councilman Johnson moved that proposed Resolution be adopted. Councilman Fee seconded the motion and it carried.

Council President Faris explained that this is a part of the land we lease from the Illinois Central Railroad Company for the Ninth Street Park.

None.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS  
AND COMMISSIONS

None.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL  
COMMITTEES

None.

REPORTS FROM STANDING  
COMMITTEES

None.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS  
AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Councilman Madden said many people joined him in extending sincere regrets to the owners and operators of the business, located on East Kirkwood, which was burned out recently. He commended all who have helped in the situation and stated that the police will apprehend, and the courts will mete out punishment, to those responsible for the destruction of a business and a means of livelihood. Mr. Madden said we have many students and businesses from all over the country and the future of Bloomington, as well as any other city, depends on law and order. He said this unfortunate incident can be used to teach life without violence within the community and help to create better understanding among our citizens.

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEN

Councilman Day said he shares Mr. Madden's feelings. He said he thought it was a mistake to attribute this situation to racism, since there is no evidence to prove it, but this does not detract from the seriousness of the situation. Dr. Day said it seemed to him that words are not as important as actions. We need to act in such a way that violence will not occur. Thoughts and words are as necessary as acts in holding down violence.

Councilman Clegg said he agreed with his fellow councilmen and he wished he could express his thoughts as eloquently as Dr. Day.

Councilman Fee said an airline passenger friend of his had told him of flying over Indianapolis and seeing the glistening of the snow-clogged streets. Councilman Fee asked how the City of Indianapolis could be expected to run a university if it could not plow the snow from its streets. He praised Street Commissioner James D. Sargent and his department for a well planned and executed snow and ice control program.

Mr. Hooker said he and the members of the Council often have areas of difference; this is the first time in the past five or six months he has sat in a Council meeting and agreed as completely as he has tonight. Mr. Madden's feelings were well put, as were Dr. Day's, and Mr. Fee's remarks concerning the Street Department were appreciated. Mr. Hooker added his own words of praise for Mr. Sargent and his department.

MESSAGES FROM MAYOR

Mayor Hooker said the people of Bloomington should have great respect for their Councilmen for they do, indeed, speak out in behalf of the Bloomington citizens.

Councilman Day called attention to the group of high school girls present and asked them to identify themselves. Karen Langley, a

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Senior at Bloomington High School, introduced the other girls in the group and said they were present to fulfill one of their school requirements.

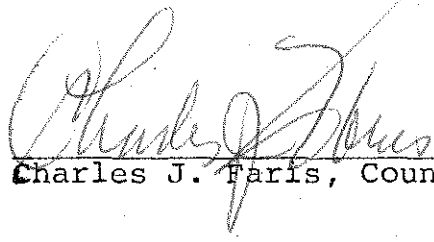
OTHER NEW BUSINESS  
(continued)

None.

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

Council President Faris moved for adjournment at the hour of 7:55 p.m., E.S.T.

ADJOURNMENT



Charles J. Faris, Council President

ATTEST:

Marian H. Tardy, City Clerk