

In the Council Chamber, Municipal Building on September 19, 1968, 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 Morrison.

Members absent: None.

Council President Faris asked Councilman Day to give the invocation.

INVOCATION

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor John H. Hooker, Jr.; Raymond E. Long, City Engineer; Howard A. Young, City Controller; Marian H. Tardy, City Clerk; James R. Cotner, City Attorney; Police Chief James R. East; Fire Chief Edward Miller and Marvard Clark, Assistant City Engineer.

NUMBER OF CITIZENS
IN ATTENDANCE

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

MINUTES OF FORMER MEETING

Councilman Day moved that the minutes of the regular meeting held August 1, 1968, the regular meeting held August 15, 1968, the statutory meeting held August 26, 1968 and the regular meeting held September 5, 1968 be approved as xeroxed and distributed. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion and it carried.

REMONSTRANCES AND OBJECTIONS

None.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

None.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL
ORDINANCES

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 68-51 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Gray seconded the motion.

Ordinance No. 68-51
Burial Vaults

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 68-51.

Ordinance No. 68-52-Zoning-
Three acres on South Side of
Third Street West of Knight-
ridge Road

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 68-52 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 68-52.

Ordinance No. 68-53-Zoning-
Ralph Rogers' land on South
Side of State Road No. 48

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 68-53 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 68-53.

Ordinance No. 68-54-Zoning-
Nine lots in Edgemont Park
Addition

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 68-54 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 68-54.

Ordinance No. 68-55-Zoning-
Twenty-one acres on South
Rogers Street

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 68-55 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Morrison seconded the motion.

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 68-55.

Councilman Clegg moved that proposed Ordinance No. 68-56 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion.

Ordinance No. 68-56
Williams' Annexation on
Curry Pike

The Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 68-56.

Council President Faris asked the Clerk to read proposed Resolution No. 68-32.

RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 68-32.

Resolution No. 68-32
Public Service Street
Lighting Contract

Mayor Hooker explained that this is a renewal contract necessitated by the fact that Public Service Indiana limits its contracts to five years and the present contract is expiring. This contract is similar to other contracts for overhead street lighting and covers the area along East Tenth Street between Walnut Street and Fee Lane.

Councilman Clegg moved that the action of the Board of Public Works, in approving the above contract, be ratified and that proposed Resolution No. 68-32 be adopted. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council President Faris asked the Clerk to read proposed Resolution No. 68-33.

Resolution No. 68-33
Public Service Contract
for Electric Energy for
Municipal Water Pumping-
Sewage Disposal Operation

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 68-33.

Mayor Hooker explained that this also is a renewal of a contract for the provision of electrical power for the operation of the municipal water pumping and sewage disposal systems of the City of Bloomington within the jurisdiction of Public Service Indiana.

Councilman Johnson moved that the action of the Board of Public Works, in approving the above contract, be ratified and that proposed Resolution No. 68-33 be adopted. Councilman Gray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council President Faris asked the Clerk to read proposed Resolution No. 68-34.

Resolution No. 68-34
Bloomington-Monroe County
Coordinating Council of
Governments

The Clerk read proposed Resolution No. 68-34.

Mayor Hooker said we have long been in need of such a council of governments. He said that because of complexities and overlap of activities, difficulties often arise because of lack of communication among governmental bodies.

Mayor Hooker pointed out that this proposed resolution is merely a suggestion that such a council is needed. He added that the actual establishment of such a council would require an agreement between the City of Bloomington, Indiana, the County of Monroe, Indiana, Indiana University, the Monroe County Community Schools, the Town of Ellettsville, Indiana, the Town of Stinesville, Indiana and the State of Indiana.

The Mayor said such a council simply would be a board of autonomous bodies and no unit of government would lose one bit of its sovereignty. Such a council would have an Executive Board with sub-committees on Highways, Water, Sanitation, Health, Planning, Fire protection, etc.

The Council would be composed of three voting members from Bloomington, two from Monroe County, two from Indiana University, two from the Metropolitan Schools, one from Ellettsville, one from Stinesville and one from the State of Indiana.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 68-34
(continued)

The Mayor stated that some federal programs require an area to have such a council before an application for financial aid will be considered.

Mayor Hooker asked the Council for comments and suggestions on the proposed resolution.

Councilman Day said he thought this was an extraordinarily important proposal and hoped the Council would pass it unanimously. If there should be differences of opinion concerning the composition of the council, this should not obstruct the adoption of a council of governments.

Councilman Johnson moved that proposed Resolution No. 68-34 be adopted. Councilman Clegg seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

None.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

None.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Councilman Clendening read the following letter from the Traffic Commission:

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

"August 20, 1968.

Councilman Clendening
Traffic Commission

James Clendening, Councilman
Common Council of the City of
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Mr. Clendening:

The following have been approved by the Bloomington Traffic Commission and are now being presented to the Common Council Traffic Committee for further action:

Section 17-193 ONE WAY STREETS

- 1. West Wylie Street shall be one way West from Rogers Street to Fairview Street.

Section 17-206 STOP INTERSECTIONS

- 1. Queens Way shall stop for High Street.
- 2. Sussex Drive shall stop for Queens Way.
- 3. Chelsey Court shall stop for Queens Way.
- 4. Montclair shall stop for Queens Way North South bond.
- 5. Sussex Drive shall stop for Montclair.
- 6. Wimbledon Lane shall stop for Montclair.
- 7. Wimbledon Lane shall stop for High Street.

City Traffic Commission

/signed/ Doug Kent
Doug Kent, Chairman:

Councilman Fee moved that the report of the Traffic Commission be approved and that the City Attorney be instructed to draw up the necessary amendment to the Traffic Ordinance. Councilman Gray seconded the motion and it carried.

REPORTS FROM STANDING
COMMITTEES

Traffic Commission
(continued)

Councilman Madden called to the attention of the Traffic Commission to the dark condition of the intersection of Bypass 46 and Dunn Street.

Councilman Johnson asked that the Traffic Commission consider three lane traffic along Third Street from Mitchell Street to Union Street. He said this would permit drivers wishing to turn into the Women's Residence Centers and into Union Street to stop their vehicles to wait for oncoming traffic to clear without holding up traffic behind them.

Council President Faris asked Police Chief East to investigate these situations and asked Councilman Clendening to take these suggestions to the Traffic Commission for consideration.

Councilman Clendening said he wanted everyone to know that Councilman Morrison had been putting a lot of hard work into the Ninth Street Park project.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS
AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

None.

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEN

Councilman Johnson reported that his committee had been working on the proposed Sign Ordinance. He said many ordinances on signs had been received from other cities and announced that his committee would have a meeting on September 26, 1968.

Councilman Madden asked if there was anything to be done to determine the right of students to vote in the Fall election. He said many that had voted in the Primary were now being told they could not vote in the Fall election because many had lived away from their present location during the past summer.

City Attorney Cotner was asked to comment. He said he could not, at this time, make a definite statement because he simply did not know. He said, however, he would make inquiries about the matter.

None.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

MESSAGES FROM MAYOR

Mayor Hooker said the City of Bloomington had just completed an important phase in its expansion program by the delivery of the Fire Bonds and the acceptance of a check for \$350,000 plus accrued interest. One piece of equipment for the College Mall Fire Station is in Bloomington but the City has not accepted delivery. One Mac pumper is here and one is in Indianapolis and it is hoped that both pieces of equipment will be fully checked, accepted and in service within thirty days.

We will be advertising for bids soon on the new station which will be located at the intersection of College Mall Road and Second Street. The Architect, Richard Hartung, is almost finished with the plans, and the station should be finished early next summer.

MESSAGES FROM MAYOR

It has been deemed advisable by the Parks and Recreation Board to establish a Management Council to assist the Director of the Westside Center in the operation of the Center. The first official meeting of the Council will be held October 8, 1968.

Mayor Hooker mentioned that the Monroe County Tax Adjustment Board had reduced the City of Bloomington's budget in several areas. The City is not required to furnish explanatory information to the Tax Adjustment Board, however, complete budget requests and justifications were furnished as well. In addition, the Department Heads were present to give the Board the opportunity to ask any questions they might have. The city was well represented and each representative conducted himself in a very proper manner.

Mayor Hooker said he exercised his right to be absent from the meeting. He felt his particular duties to the community, at that time, were far more important than sitting up there listening to the budget being discussed.

He said the Tax Adjustment Boards for the last four years have been cooperative and understanding but it is an antiquated operation - a carry-over from agrarian society of years ago and should be abolished.

Mayor Hooker said the Plan Commission appointed Clifford Curry as Director of Planning by an unanimous vote and the City Administration supports Mr. Curry wholeheartedly. The remarks made by some members of the Tax Board were totally unjust. Mr. Curry is in the process of preparing the forms for the City of Bloomington's workable plan and hopes to have it ready to present to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval in a few weeks.

Mayor Hooker said that the action of the majority of the Tax Board was unwarranted and recommended that the Common Council adopt a resolution asking that the Tax Board restore the deleted items to the 1969 Budget.

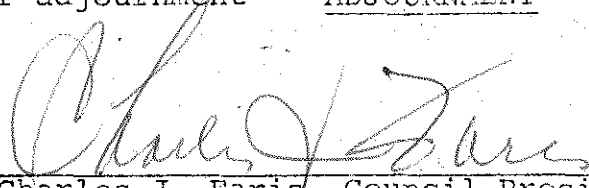
Councilman Day said that, by all means, the Common Council should go on record in asking the Mayor to support the Budget. The Tax Review Board gave all the credit and discredit for the Budget to the Mayor. He said he hoped the next time they would give their criticisms to the Council since the Council passed the budget.

Councilman Day moved that the claims presented for payment on September 20, 1968 be allowed. Councilman Clendening seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

Council President Faris moved for adjournment at the hour of 9:00 p.m., E.S.T.

ADJOURNMENT


Charles J. Faris, Council President

ATTEST:

Marian H. Tardy, City Clerk